

Workshop handout: 22 apps for language teaching and learning

Grammar

English Grammar in Use (Cambridge) Includes in-app purchase feature

The Big Picture (Richmond) Based on game 'Where's Wally?'

Visual Grammar (Richmond) Includes presentations of grammar points

Vocabulary

Quizlet Good for practising new words. Students can input definitions and /or a translation. Vocabulary can be re-cycled in various ways, such as mix and match exercises

Dictionary apps e.g. LDOCE / OALD

MyWordBook (British Council / CUP) Recording new vocabulary

Listening

TED Conference presentations; students can download a presentation and listen to it off-line, using the pause button at will

Podcasts Download / listen to podcasts. Recommended: the BBC news bulletins

iPlayer (UK) BBC TV programmes available after broadcast

Reading

Flipboard Personalised magazine; displays your Facebook and Twitter streams

IELTS app (Macmillan) Helps with skimming

Alice in Wonderland Uses motion of the iPad

Speaking

Socrative – voting app

Prezi viewer Presentation software Prezi is presentation software which zooms in on each slide. Students can practise off-line

Screen Chomp Screen capture app: make screen recordings; Record your voice / annotate a picture using the pen tools. Transforms the tablet into a mini interactive whiteboard

Writing

Evernote Notes organiser. Allows students to share notes with others using the app

Simple Mind+ Mind map creation software Good for brainstorming topics.

Dragon Dictation Speech to text software. Tap on the 'Record' symbol and speak into the microphone. The app will display what you have said as text

Pronunciation

Sounds (Macmillan) Phonemic chart app

Clear Speech (Cambridge) Helps with word stress

Phonics Stories (British Council) For children

Serious gaming

Pizza Palace (Richmond) Maze; users make decisions as they try and find a job

For more on **apps**: <http://the-round.com/resource/apptivities-for-business-english/>

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