Mobile devices can be used as a tool for helping students to get out of their seats and learn English through engaging activities focused on exploration and speech!

During this session, participants will:
- Explore how to use mobile devices to enhance all four skills
- Learn how to adapt high-tech activities for the low-tech classroom
- Discover how to promote active learning and keep students focused
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Hands-on Language Learning with Mobile Devices

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“... young people are **reading** and **writing** more than we ever did at their age, but they are doing it using their computers and mobile phones.” - David Crystal

“On Myths and Mindsets,” 2012
Key Takeaways

💡 Ideas for promoting the four skills with mobile devices
💡 Ideas for using devices offline
💡 Ways to promote active learning
💡 Ways to manage a classroom full of devices
Session Outline

Introduction to Mobile Learning

Keeping Students Focused

Photo Tasks and Challenges

Video Tasks and Projects

Audio Tasks and Projects
Which types of mobile devices do you and your learners have access to?
How many of these tasks have you completed with your mobile device?

- Making videos
- Recording audio
- Taking pictures
- Using apps
- Sending messages
- Adding notes
- Using maps
- Playing games
- Annotating
What types of activities can you get students to do in English with their mobile devices?
Session Focus

- Taking photos
- Making videos
- Recording audio
How do we keep students on task?
Tip! Time tasks
Tip! Pair or group students
Tip! Set up a mobile device area

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Tip! Outline clear expectations and consequences
Photo Tasks and Challenges
Photo Activity Example: Show-N-Tell With a Cell

💡 Share an image with a peer and the story behind it
Photo Challenge Example: I Spy With My Device

1. Teacher teaches the target vocabulary (shapes, colors, etc.)

2. Students take a close up photo of an example
Photo Challenge Example:
I Spy With My Device

3. Students try to guess the object
4. Students guess the shape
Photo Challenge Example:
Go On A Selfie Adventure!

💡 Hobby, talent

💡 Pet, sibling, hero

💡 Favorite book, place

💡 Toy selfie adventures
What photo challenges could you give your students?

💡 Take a photo example of the vocabulary

💡 Create a photo writing prompt
Video Recording Ideas
Video Activity Example: Invention Commercial

1. Students brainstorm a creative invention

2. Students then write a script, describing their invention

3. Students record their commercial
What other video projects can help students improve their English?

- News Broadcast
- How-To Video
Audio Recording Tasks
Audio Recording Example: Record a Chain Story

1. Students gather in a circle and the teacher provides a topic

2. Each student is allowed to listen to only the recording of the student before them

3. They are given 30 seconds to brainstorm, followed by 30 seconds to record their segment

3. Students then listen to the entire story as a group
Audio Recording Example: The 321 Interview

1. Students are placed into groups of 2-3

2. Students will interview each other to gather the following information:
   - Three personal facts (pets, talents, etc.)
   - Two favorite things (food, color, etc.)
   - One dream that they have

3. Students write down their partner’s answers
What other audio tasks can help students improve their English?

- Listen to or produce podcasts
- Create a radio jingle
Which mobile learning tips or ideas from this presentation are you most excited to try?

- Photo Challenges
- Video Projects
- Management Tips
- Audio Projects
Thank you 😊

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