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SANAKO CONNECT

LIVE ONLINE LANGUAGE LAB & ONLINE LEARNING PLATFORM FEATURES

Sanako Connect **full featured live online language lab** has been updated. This new version adds many new features that have been requested by current customers and we are excited to share them with you!

World languages AP® Exams using **Sanako Connect** online language lab.
Please read Sanako's three part blog post on World Languages AP® Exam using **Sanako Connect**
First Part
Getting language learners ready for their World Languages AP® exams
Second Blog
World Languages AP® Exam practice using Sanako Connect software
Third Blog
How to practise World Languages AP® reading/writing tasks using Sanako Connect

CSV/Excel import to automatically create exercises.
Video recording for the teacher
Virtual keyboard for accents & IPA (International Phonetic Alphabet)

Flashcards: Teachers can easily create and share flashcard decks in any language. Great for practicing key vocabulary. Easy access for students without account creation/log in Students can practice everywhere using any device

Automated pronunciation grading: Teachers can easily create and share pronunciation tasks in most modern languages & accents. The software reads the example sentence out loud with high quality voice (Text-to-Speech technology) Students imitate what they hear, and then get automated scoring & feedback (Speech recognition technology). Students' automated grading results and voice recordings are submitted back to the teacher for review.

Exam mode: Exam mode offers more flexibility for the teachers. Exercises can be set to run in 'Exam mode' which disables all menu navigation options for students within **Sanako Connect.**
Includes automated collecting at the end of the exam.

Paged exercises: Dividing your exercise into different pages allows you to create progressions within exercises. Navigating the exercise also becomes faster and easier with reduced scrolling. Additionally, paged exercises are automatically checked to make sure your students have completed all their tasks before submitting the exercise. Students now also receive a notification at the end of a task to check any uncompleted tasks.

import .mff files: .mff files are files created with previous **Sanako** products like **Sanako Study**, either as audio files or content/exercises. This conversion feature has been requested a lot, and it is now possible to import your existing .mff files into **Connect**. The .mff files are automatically converted either into single exercises or divided into multiple exercises, based on your preference.

Preset language lesson activities are now added into **Sanako Connect**, along with a new interface for video calls and screen sharing**,** video calls between students and screen sharing options and full mobile phone support.

Group video calls for students: Group video calls are now available whenever students are in a group and audio is enabled.

Screen sharing for students; Student users can now share their screens when in a group with the audio enabled, or in a private call with the teacher

Apart from all the language activities already embedded in the **Sanako Connect.**, Sanako have now added the most frequently used language learning activities into **Sanako Connect** as preset workflows. These workflows guide the teacher through setting up the activity with only two clicks. All that remains to be done by the teacher is clicking on 'play' or 'record', depending on the activity and **Sanako Connect** handles the rest.

The new preset activities included are:
       Pair/ Group discussion,
       Speaking practice,
       Listening and
       Describe what you see.

Full mobile phone support - With this update, the mobile phone user interface has been completely reworked and mobile phones are now supported in **Sanako Connect.** As always, we recommend headsets when there are multiple users in the same classroom to avoid noise distraction.

QR codes - QR codes are an easy way to invite your students to the session/class with their mobile phones. **Sanako Connect** creates QR codes automatically for each session.

Streaming interface updated. The new streaming interface includes buttons for controlling the microphone, webcam, and screen sharing. On computers, the streaming window can be freely resized to suit the situation on hand. On mobile devices, the streaming window can be easily accessed just like in your favorite streaming service.

Sanako Connect is an agile platform for teachers to access different types of lessons and use any content. Teach any language. Secured platform powered by fast reliable and secure Amazon Web Services with all servers based in the US. **Sanako Connect** emphasizes real-time live teaching and teacher-led environment. Connects students and teacher in real-time regardless of their location.

No login required for students and fully compliant with data security. **Students do not need to create an account with personal information.** Students access a session/class simply by using the link provided by the teacher.

Modern Browser-based platform – access from any classroom or anywhere on laptops, iPads Android tablets, and Chromebooks.

Use your existing resources with **Sanako Connect** to **enhance speaking and listening practice** in class or remotely

Upload existing lesson files and/or **create self-marking exercises** including gap-fill, matching pairs and multiple choice and written exercises

Control student activity in examination mode.

Synchronous & Asynchronous modes of operation.

Establish **ability groups** for differentiation of students and exercise access.

Set up random pairs of students for **role play** activities with file collection.

Provide **instant feedback** to students both textually & orally.

Teachers within an institution can share exercises to **reduce workload.**

Simultaneous and **consecutive interpreting** assessments with video track dubbing. Automatic file collection with 2 - channel recording.

Automatic Voice Insert feature allowing students to answer pre-recorded questions at their own pace along with interpreting practice for independent role play practice.

Correct **student pronunciation** with teacher voice insert feedback.

Launch **image description** activities with auto file collection.

The teacher has **live** monitor & intercom with students to support them as required and monitor progress.

Embed **YouTube** videos or your own audio and video files as resources

Set up students to practice **live** pair work and **role play** activities

Files submitted to the teacher as soon as the student has completed the exercise.

Students can **submit their work** textually & orally.

The **advanced two track** recorder allows the teacher to download just the students' spoken answers or include the teacher's questions as required.

Use as a **stand-alone** subscription, or add a **module** to your **Study** language lab for full **blended learning** capabilities

Multiple tutors on the same license running simultaneous sessions.

GDPR Compliant system

Works on **any device** requiring only internet access to operate.

Class, institution, or regional license options available.

Teacher Controlled Exercises: Teachers can now launch and control any exercise for all students - even when teaching remotely.

Screensharing – teacher can share screen to students.

Speak live with the whole class, groups, or individual students.

No servers required or Addons, installations or downloads!

No limit on class size and no limit on students and teachers using Sanako Connect simultaneously.

No limit to the type of file that Sanako Connect supports to share within the platform.

Unlimited number of live groups. All groups and students in the group are color coded for quick reference

Pair students randomly or shuffle students pairing for live student communication in pairs

Chat can be enabled/disabled by the teacher.

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Simplified classroom view – **Sanako has divided the session classroom interface into two clear sections.** When entering a session as a teacher, you will now find all the classroom controls on the left-hand side, and everything related to the session's exercises and students' submissions on the right-hand side. When your students enter the session, you will see their names pop up on the left-hand side column.

- **Full classroom calls** – With this feature, you can easily speak with the entire classroom and create and manage pair/group discussions on the fly. You can now also allow your students to use their microphones also in the main call where the whole class can now hear each other.

- **Promote students to model speakers** – With this feature, you can elevate students into a speaker position, which means they can then share their webcam/screen with the rest of the class. Additionally, you can promote up to five students to the speaker role, making this a great functionality for model discussions or simply having students taking turns presenting their work or speaking.

Faster way to monitor your students – Sanako has improved the monitoring functionality in Connect, which means that moving from student to student or from group to group is now faster and easier. This makes monitoring students during live speaking activities much faster. Sanako has also removed the "teacher is listening" notification as requested by many of our customers

Sanako Connect Step by Step Guide:
https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLnzTZiSzo0-H50-qZvEhxjE4Yb1KlJADm

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