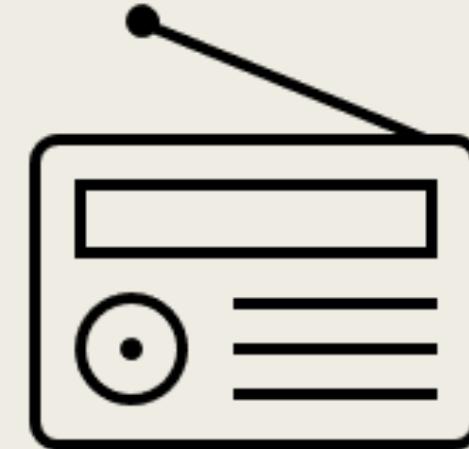
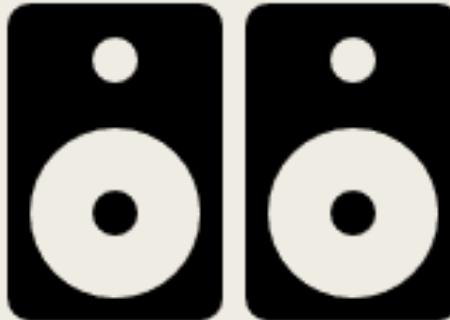




# PODCAST IS A BLAST – BOOSTING LANGUAGE SKILLS THROUGH PODCASTING

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SOUNDS FAMILIAR?

# Stories in sounds

## STEP 1: LISTENING

- listening comprehension, writing and speaking tasks
- guessing the story
- vocabulary
- retelling the story
- sentence formation



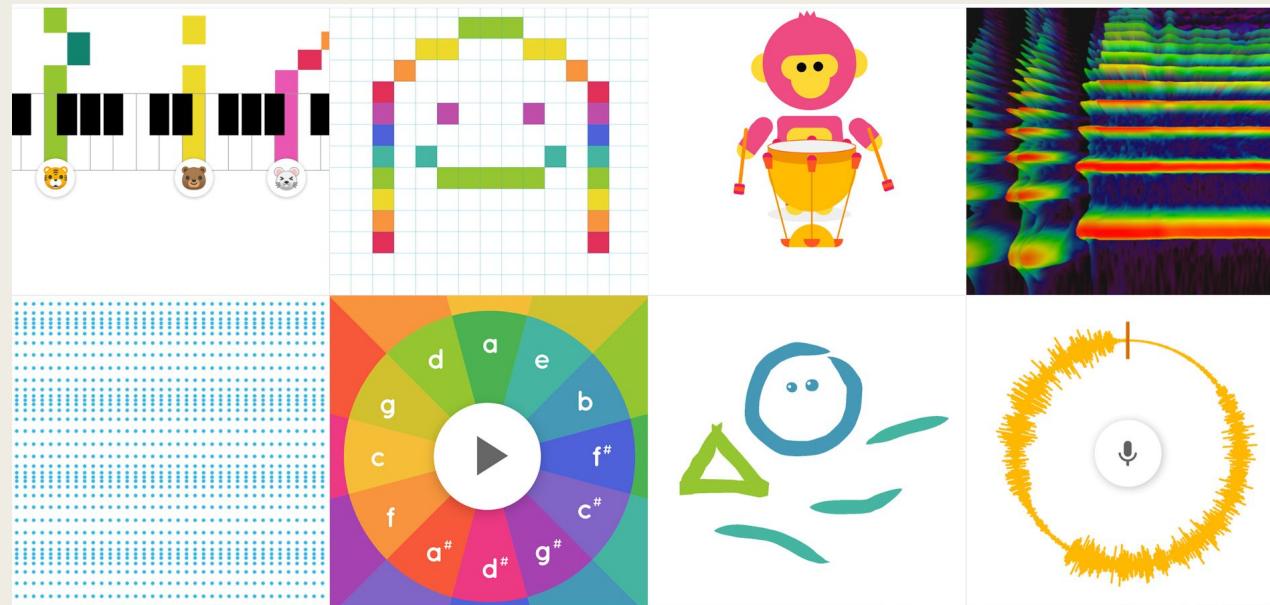
## STEP 2: CREATING STORIES

- imagination, artistic expression
- using digital tools for sound recording and editing



# Workshops for gifted students

## “Playing with sounds”







## 13. VELJAČE - SVJETSKI DAN RADIJA

Svjetski dan radija obilježava se 13. veljače u znak sjećanja na 1946. kada je osnovan radio Ujedinjenih naroda. Cilj Svjetskog dana radija, podizanje je svijesti u javnosti i medijima o samoj vrijednosti radija, poboljšanju međunarodne suradnje te osiguranju pristupa informacijama putem radija

# Why podcasts? Why podcasting?

- real-world communication and authentic language use
- accessible and free
- encourage creativity, teamwork, and digital literacy
- strengthen language skills
- build confidence and autonomy



# Online resources

## 1. Brains On!

- **Type:** Science, curiosity, and discovery



## 2. Wow in the World

- **Type:** Science and fun facts about the world.



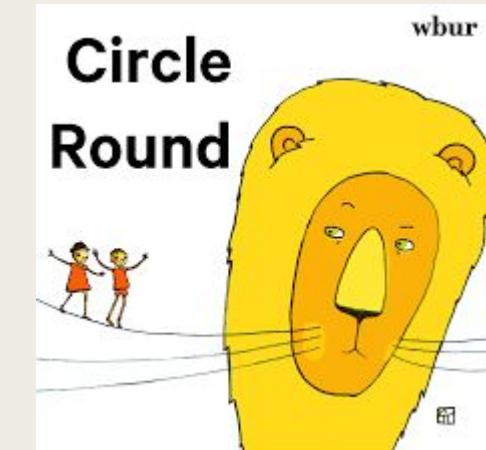
## 3. Fun Kids Podcasts

- **Type:** Stories, science, music, history, quizzes



## 4. Circle Round

- **Type:** Folktales from around the world



## 5. British Council – LearnEnglish Kids Podcasts

- **Type:** Short stories and dialogues for language learning



# Language skills in focus

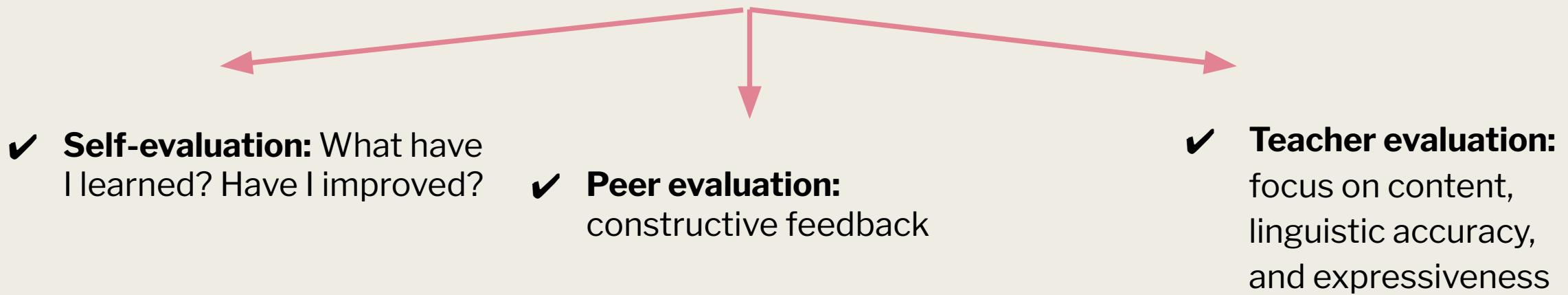
- Writing – script creation and editing: grammar, vocabulary, coherence
- Speaking – recording and performing: pronunciation, fluency, expression
- Listening - comprehension, attention to detail
- Digital literacy – recording and editing





# Podcast as a learning strategy

- develops **creativity** and **critical thinking**
- encourages **authentic communication**
- enables **individualization** and **differentiation**
- supports **cross-curricular** connections
- simplifies **reflection** and **evaluation**



# Classroom integration

- Podcasting can be integrated into the English curriculum through:
  - Speaking assignments
  - Listening comprehension activities
  - Cross-curricular projects
- Assessment ideas: rubrics for writing, speaking, creativity, teamwork.



# Creating podcasts with students

## Listening and critical thinking

- Selecting podcasts – topic, interest and language level
- Guided listening: comprehension questions, structure
- Discussion about the content

## Writing the script

- Topic brainstorming and planning
- Writing the script
- Practising pronunciation and tone

## Recording, editing and publishing

- Recording
- Editing and sound design
- Publishing and sharing





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**OBJECTIVE 1**  
**sustainability, environmental consciousness**  
(degrowth and zero waste concept)



**OBJECTIVE 2**  
**cultural heritage, tradition**  
(preserving the local dialect)



**OBJECTIVE 3**  
**digital and media literacy, critical thinking and creativity**



  
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- Erasmus+ Accreditation objective
- focusing on innovative digital learning strategies
- inspired by the course 'Podcast as an Effective Learning Strategy' held in Barcelona, 2024

- podcast creation - steps
- equipment
- digital tools - recording, streaming, editing
- editing tips
- creating a podcast

## Visit to a Catalan radio station and university

Meeting with a professional radio journalist, tour of the radio station, time spent in the studio, getting acquainted with professional equipment

Fieldwork – interviewing students at the Faculty of Philology





- eTwinning project
- partner schools:  
Croatia, Italy, Greece,  
Spain, Portugal,  
Slovakia, Serbia and  
Türkiye
- students created,  
recorded, and  
published their own  
audio material and  
podcasts to enhance  
language skills

# MONTHLY PROJECT TASKS

- **September** – project poster and EDL celebration
- **October** – My school, town and country – audio guide, Scary stories - collaborative work
- **November** – My diary/My favourite day
- **December** – 2025 audio calendar and holiday cards
- **January** – international competition Make it heard
- **February** – radio commercials
- **March** – audio recipe book
- **April** – eco slogans
- **May** – eBook – a collection of monthly works





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Parents approval and curriculum integration

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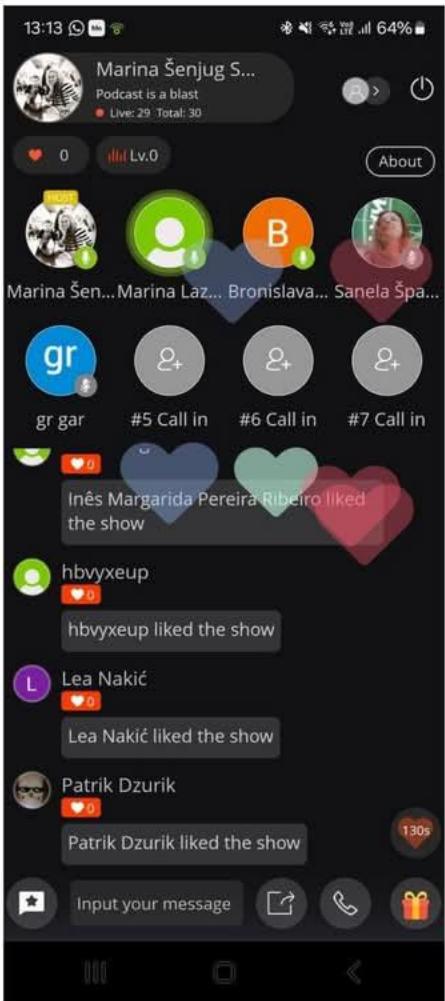
# Implementing sounds and sound effects

- Freesound <https://freesound.org/>
- SoundBible <http://soundbible.com/>
- Zapsplat <https://www.zapsplat.com/>
- Sound Effects+ <https://www.soundeffectsplus.com/>
- BBC Sound Effects (<https://sound-effects.bbcrewind.co.uk>)
- FreeSoundEffects <https://www.freesoundeffects.com/>
- PacDV <http://www.pacdV.com/sounds/>
- Bensound <https://www.bensound.com/>

# Tools & Platforms

- **Recording tools:** mobile and computer built in software, Audacity, Vocaroo
- **Podcast platforms:** Spotify, SoundCloud, BBC Learning English, Hrvatski radio – eLektire, CARnet Meduza, Radio#matura, European School Radio
- **Streaming platforms:** Podbean, SoundCloud, Zencaoster, Spotify for Creators
- **Collaboration and sharing:** Padlet, Google Classroom, Teams, YouTube





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Co-hosts/Speakers



Dijana ...  
Host



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About: Welcome.

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About: Welcome to my live show.

Paul 271 Super Fan

I like your show

Danita Host

Call In

Audio Effects

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Sacred Narratives

00:01:05



Joyous Fanfare

00:00:42



Reflective Lamentations

00:00:59



Harmony Melodies

00:01:15



Divine Enigma

00:01:04



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♪ Sacred Narratives

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# Conclusion



**PODCAST**

- Podcasting is an effective and engaging language learning strategy
- It builds 21st-century skills – communication, creativity, and collaboration

# Thank you



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