

Speak and Improve: AI in the Groove

In this workshop, participants will explore ELSA's Speech Analyzer (SA), a powerful AI tool designed to help English teachers provide more targeted feedback on their students' speaking and enable students to take control of their own learning. The primary goal of this session is to equip TESOL practitioners with hands-on, implementable strategies to maximize the benefits of SA's exceptional features in their daily teaching. Attendees will receive a comprehensive overview, learning how SA not only provides efficient, real-time, individualized feedback to students in key speaking features (pronunciation, fluency, intonation, vocabulary, and grammatical range) but also promotes increased autonomous language development for learners. Focal points are that SA has already been shown to improve student proficiency and motivation by connecting their learning with that of the professional world, and that it dramatically reduces the intense workload that detailed oral feedback requires. Ultimately, this workshop aims to provide attendees with innovative ideas for integrating AI-driven assessment and personalized learning into their curricula, highlighting the transformative implications of AI for efficient, equitable, and impactful English language teaching in our contemporary world.

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