Fundamentals of Slack

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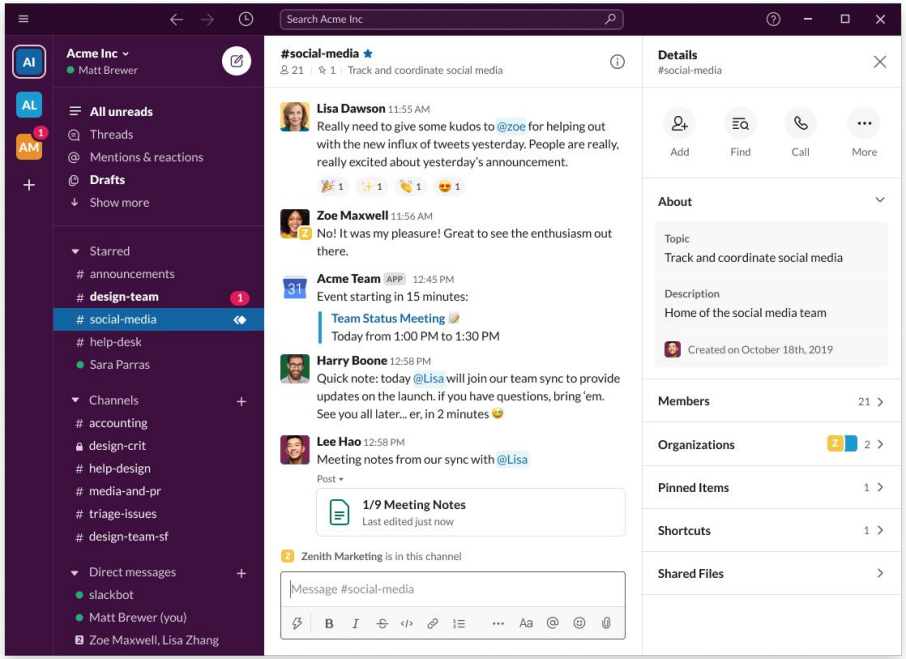
What is Slack?

- Team messaging platform
- Messaging takes place through channels (public or private)
    - Channels = Separate spaces for different conversations
- More than just messaging:
    - Share files
    - Hold side discussions
    - Video-chat

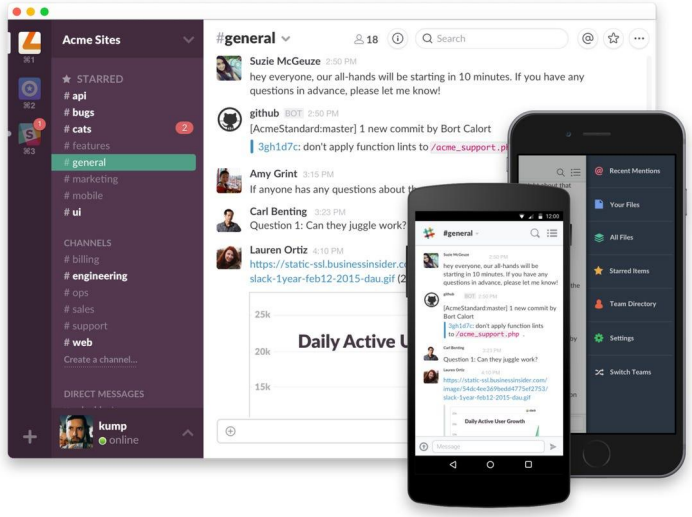
Benefits of using Slack

- Efficient and user-friendly
- Effective tool to coordinate the work of a language program / department
- Effective language classroom management tool



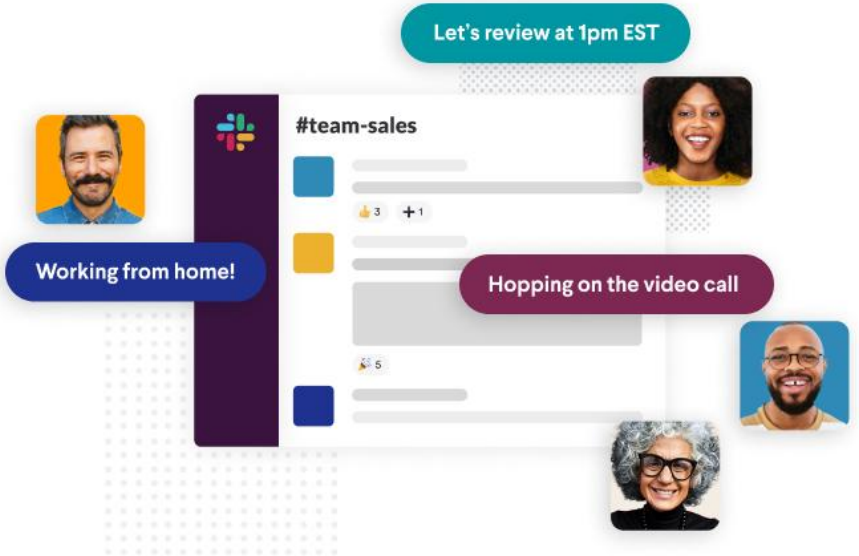
Setting up Slack

- How do I sign up for Slack?
  - Preparing your Workspace
  - Setting up your #Channel
- How do I install Slack on my device?



Slack for your language program

- Inviting colleagues to your workspace
- Sending direct messages
- Video-calling in Slack
- Sharing files in Slack
- Searching in Slack



Slack for your language classroom

- Maintain separate workspaces
- Classroom advantages of using Slack
  - Group projects
  - Departure from email
  - Practical skill when transitioning to the workforce

My advice: hold off on introducing Slack in your language classes this semester

Questions?

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Thank You!

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