Curating Audio Materials with Audacity

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What is Audacity?

- A free, open-source tool for creating and editing audio files
- Record live audio with your computer
- Record digital audio playing on your computer
- Sound editing and mixing
- Sound effects
- Digitizing and archiving

Why should we care?

- Authentic L2 audio resources
- Use analog resources in a digital environment.
- Develop scaffolded activities (both listening and pronunciation).
- Encourage creativity.
- Sound editing is a useful skill to have.

Installation and Configuration

- Download from: https://www.audacityteam.org
- Make sure to **get the latest version** that's compatible with your setup.

- Install libraries and plugins: https://lame.buanzo.org/#lameosx64bitdl
  - FFMPEG
  - LAME

Audacity®

Summary

- Installation and configuration
- Sound importing
- Sound recording
- Sound editing
  - Trimming
  - Compressing
  - Fading in/out
  - Mixing
  - Removing Background noise

Additional resources available at:
https://wiki.audacityteam.org/wiki/Audacity_Wiki_Home_Page

Questions?

This week at the LRC

Meaning through Sound: Rediscovering Listening in the Language Classroom

CLTL 2021 Fall Workshop

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Event website

Free Registration

Thank you for attending.