**Spanish Self-access Resources**

This document contains information about resources that students can use to improve their Spanish-language listening, speaking, and writing skills.

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# Level: Beginner

## Skill: All (Listening, Speaking, Writing)

**LiveMocha**

An integrative online language learning community with lessons, graded activities, and structured language exchanges. Each lesson includes reading, writing, speaking, and listening activities that are graded by native or fluent speakers of the target language. Upon registration, users are provided with coins, which are spent to access lessons. Users can earn additional coins by grading the activities of learners of their own language(s). Users can also become Language Partners, allowing them to communicate via a built-in messenger and to grade each other’s work.

**Primary Skill:** All

**Provider:** Rosetta Stone

**URL:** <http://livemocha.com/>

## Skill: Listening

**Spanish Proficiency Exercises**

A collection of brief videos in which native Spanish speakers talk about various topics. Each video clip is accompanied by a transcription, a Spanish/English glossary of related vocabulary words and phrases, and brief explanations of the grammar that one might use to speak about the topic. Select the appropriate skill level from the menu at the top of the page.

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**Other Skills:** Speaking

**Provider / Author:** University of Texas at Austin – Center for Open Educational Resources & Language Learning / Orlando Kelm

**URL:** <http://www.laits.utexas.edu/spe/index.html>

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**La descripción física**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**URL:** <http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelI/actividad_18.htm>

## Skill: Speaking

**Pronunciation**

A series of lesson topics to help Spanish learners of all levels develop a more native-like accent by targeting the pronunciation of Spanish vowels, consonants, stress, and intonation.

**Primary Skill:** Speaking

**Provider:** Study Languages, LLC

**URL:** <http://www.studyspanish.com/pronunciation/>

## Skill: Writing

**Lang-8**

A platform in which language learners write journal entries in their target language, and correct and provide feedback on other users’ entries in their native language. Upon correcting other entries, users earn L Points, which determine how prominent their posts are in the queue awaiting correction. Users can also make friends in order to have their entries graded more quickly and thoroughly.

**Primary Skill:** Writing

**Provider:** Lang-8, Inc.

**URL:** <http://lang-8.com/>

# Level: Intermediate

## Skill: All (Listening, Speaking, Writing)

**LiveMocha**

An integrative online language learning community with lessons, graded activities, and structured language exchanges. Each lesson includes reading, writing, speaking, and listening activities that are graded by native or fluent speakers of the target language. Upon registration, users are provided with coins, which are spent to access lessons. Users can earn additional coins by grading the activities of learners of their own language(s). Users can also become Language Partners, allowing them to communicate via a built-in messenger and to grade each other’s work.

**Primary Skill:** All

**Provider:** Rosetta Stone

**URL:** <http://livemocha.com/>

## Skill: Listening

**Spanish Listening**

A collection of videos featuring native Spanish speakers from 15 different countries. Each video clip is accompanied by a video quiz, a vocabulary quiz, and a writing activity. The videos can be searched by level, topic, and speaker for more targeted listening practice.

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**Other Skills:** Writing

**Provider:** SpanishListening.org

**URL:** <http://www.spanishlistening.org/>

**Spanish Proficiency Exercises**

A collection of brief videos in which native Spanish speakers talk about various topics. Each video clip is accompanied by a transcription, a Spanish/English glossary of related vocabulary words and phrases, and brief explanations of the grammar that one might use to speak about the topic. Select the appropriate skill level from the menu at the top of the page.

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**Other Skills:** Speaking

**Provider / Author:** University of Texas at Austin – Center for Open Educational Resources & Language Learning / Orlando Kelm

**URL:** <http://www.laits.utexas.edu/spe/index.html>

**SpinTX Video Archive**

A collection of video interviews with bilingual Spanish speakers. Each video clip is accompanied by a transcription. The videos can be searched by topic, speaker, and grammar concepts for more targeted listening practice.

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**Provider / Author:** University of Texas at Austin – Center for Open Educational Resources & Language Learning / Jacqueline Toribio, Barbara Bullock

**URL:** <http://www.coerll.utexas.edu/spintx/>

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**“Decorar la casa”**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**Other Skills:** Speaking

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelIII/actividades/actividad_29.html?id=75>

**“Formación a través de Internet”**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelIII/actividades/actividad_45.html?id=1>

**“Localizar y locuciones”**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelII/actividades/actividad_16.html?id=37>

**“Una de leyendas”**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelII/actividades/actividad_19.html?id=44>

**“Costumbres”**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelII/actividades/actividad_42.html?id=103>

**“Las lenguas de Hispanoamérica”**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelII/actividades/actividad_51.html?id=123>

## Skill: Speaking

**Pronunciation**

A series of lesson topics to help Spanish learners of all levels develop a more native-like accent by targeting the pronunciation of Spanish vowels, consonants, stress, and intonation.

**Primary Skill:** Speaking

**Provider / Author:** Study Languages, LLC

**URL:** <http://www.studyspanish.com/pronunciation/>

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“**Pedir, dar o denegar permiso”**

**Primary Skill:** Speaking

**Other Skills:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelIII/actividades/actividad_32.html?id=82>

## Skill: Writing

**Lang-8**

A platform in which language learners write journal entries in their target language, and correct and provide feedback on other users’ entries in their native language. Upon correcting other entries, users earn L Points, which determine how prominent their posts are in the queue awaiting correction. Users can also make friends in order to have their entries graded more quickly and thoroughly.

**Primary Skill:** Writing

**Provider:** Lang-8, Inc.

**URL:** <http://lang-8.com/>

# Level: Intermediate-High

## Skill: All (Listening, Speaking, Writing)

**LiveMocha**

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**Primary Skill:** All

**Provider:** Rosetta Stone

**URL:** <http://livemocha.com/>

## Skill: Listening

**Spanish Listening**

A collection of videos featuring native Spanish speakers from 15 different countries. Each video clip is accompanied by a video quiz, a vocabulary quiz, and a writing activity. The videos can be searched by level, topic, and speaker for more targeted listening practice.

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**Other Skills:** Writing

**Provider:** SpanishListening.org

**URL:** <http://www.spanishlistening.org/>

**Spanish Proficiency Exercises**

A collection of brief videos in which native Spanish speakers talk about various topics. Each video clip is accompanied by a transcription, a Spanish/English glossary of related vocabulary words and phrases, and brief explanations of the grammar that one might use to speak about the topic. Select the appropriate skill level from the menu at the top of the page.

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**Other Skills:** Speaking

**Provider / Author:** University of Texas at Austin – Center for Open Educational Resources & Language Learning / Orlando Kelm

**URL:** <http://www.laits.utexas.edu/spe/index.html>

**SpinTX Video Archive**

A collection of video interviews with bilingual Spanish speakers. Each video clip is accompanied by a transcription. The videos can be searched by topic, speaker, and grammar concepts for more targeted listening practice.

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**Provider / Author:** University of Texas at Austin – Center for Open Educational Resources & Language Learning / Jacqueline Toribio, Barbara Bullock

**URL:** <http://www.coerll.utexas.edu/spintx/>

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“**La casa que necesito”**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelIII/actividades/actividad_28.html?id=73>

**“¿Qué piensas de la publicidad?”**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelII/actividades/actividad_32.html?id=75>

**“Transmitir lo dicho por otros”**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelII/actividades/actividad_38.html?id=91>

**“El medio ambiente”**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelII/actividades/actividad_44.html?id=108>

## Skill: Speaking

**Pronunciation**

A series of lesson topics to help Spanish learners of all levels develop a more native-like accent by targeting the pronunciation of Spanish vowels, consonants, stress, and intonation.

**Primary Skill:** Speaking

**Provider / Author:** Study Languages, LLC

**URL:** <http://www.studyspanish.com/pronunciation/>

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**“Ordenar un texto”**

**Primary Skill:** Speaking

**Other Skills:** Listening, Writing

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelII/actividades/actividad_48.html?id=116>

**“Pausas al hablar”**

**Primary Skill:** Speaking

**Other Skills:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelIII/actividades/actividad_50.html?id=130>

## Skill: Writing

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**Primary Skill:** Writing

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**“Sigo aprendiendo español”**

**Primary Skill:** Writing

**Other Skills:** Speaking, Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelII/actividades/actividad_52.html?id=126>

# Level: Advanced

## Skill: All (Listening, Speaking, Writing)

**LiveMocha**

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**Primary Skill:** All

**Provider:** Rosetta Stone

**URL:** <http://livemocha.com/>

## Skill: Listening

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**Primary Skill:** Listening

**Other Skills:** Writing

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**Primary Skill:** Listening

**Other Skills:** Speaking

**Provider / Author:** University of Texas at Austin – Center for Open Educational Resources & Language Learning / Orlando Kelm

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**Primary Skill:** Listening

**Provider / Author:** University of Texas at Austin – Center for Open Educational Resources & Language Learning / Jacqueline Toribio, Barbara Bullock

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**“Expresar conveniencia”**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelIII/actividades/actividad_16.html?id=39>

**“Expresar acuerdo y desacuerdo”**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**Other Skills:** Writing

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelIII/actividades/actividad_17.html?id=41>

**“Reflexiones sobre el aprendizaje del español”**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**Other Skills:** Writing

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelIII/actividades/actividad_33.html?id=84>

**“La comunicación radiofónica”**

**Primary Skill:** Listening

**Other Skills:** Writing, Speaking

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelIII/actividades/actividad_36.html?id=91>

## Skill: Speaking

**Pronunciation**

A series of lesson topics to help Spanish learners of all levels develop a more native-like accent by targeting the pronunciation of Spanish vowels, consonants, stress, and intonation.

**Primary Skill:** Speaking

**Provider / Author:** Study Languages, LLC

**URL:** <http://www.studyspanish.com/pronunciation/>

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**“Para conversar major”**

**Primary Skill:** Speaking

**Other Skills:** Listening, Writing

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelIV/actividades/actividad_26.html?id=75>

## Skill: Writing

**Lang-8**

A platform in which language learners write journal entries in their target language, and correct and provide feedback on other users’ entries in their native language. Upon correcting other entries, users earn L Points, which determine how prominent their posts are in the queue awaiting correction. Users can also make friends in order to have their entries graded more quickly and thoroughly.

**Primary Skill:** Writing

**Provider:** Lang-8, Inc.

**URL:** <http://lang-8.com/>

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**“Reestructurar lo escrito”**

**Primary Skill:** Writing

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelIII/actividades/actividad_14.html?id=34>

**“Tomar notas en una conferencia”**

**Primary Skill:** Writing

**Other Skills:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelIV/actividades/actividad_12.html?id=35>

**“Formular hipótesis 2”**

**Primary Skill:** Writing

**Other Skills:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelIII/actividades/actividad_21.html?id=52>

**“Multiculturalidad”**

**Primary Skill:** Writing

**Other Skills:** Listening

**URL:**<http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/nivelIII/actividades/actividad_37.html?id=94>