

Tech Tip of the Week

This week's tip features a web tool (and also a mobile app for iOS and Android)



Croak.it is a simple-to-use online audio recording tool that can be used by even pre-school children.

Things I love about Croak.it are:

1. •It is free!
2. •It doesn't require any logins or accounts.
3. •It is amazingly easy to use.
4. •It automatically provides a URL for the recording.

The limitations are:

1. •The recording time is limited to 30 seconds.
(That's longer than you might think!)
 2. •It doesn't provide embed code for the recording.
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To use Croak.it:

1. Go to <http://croak.it>
2. Click to allow it to use your computer's microphone. (Note - You will only need to do this one time.)
3. Click the only button on the page to start recording.



4. Click the same button again to stop recording.
5. Click the "Copy" button to copy the URL of your uploaded recording.



Ideas for using croak.it:

Here are a few ideas to get you started:

As a simple recording tool:

1. •Students can record themselves reading and then listen to see how fluent they sound.
2. •Students with speech disorders could record themselves and listen back.

3. •Students could re-tell a story and then listen for accuracy.
4. •Students could speak in a foreign language and then listen.

Sharing the recording via a URL or QR Code:

1. •Students could record a message for mom for mother's day and then put the URL and/or QR Code into a greeting card.
2. •Students could record themselves telling about their art work and then post the URL/QR Code beside their art.
3. •Students could record themselves telling a story, giving a report, speaking in another language, or listing their favorite facts -- and then turn the URL/QR Code into the teacher.

With Mother's Day coming up, wouldn't it be nice to include a QR code in her card? That says, "I love you". 😊