

Aid in Action: Prepare an interview and present your project

Objective:

To explore and present a specific example of development cooperation or aid by creating an audio recording of an interview format.

Steps to Follow:

1. Choose a Topic:

- In pairs, select one example of development cooperation or aid. This can be a specific project of an NGO, a government initiative, or a program of an international organization.
- Ensure that the chosen example has enough information available for research.

2. Research:

- Gather information about the chosen NGO or project. Consider the following questions:
 - What is the mission and vision of the organization?
 - What specific projects does it undertake?
 - Who are the beneficiaries of these projects?
 - What are the outcomes and impacts of the projects?
 - How is the organization funded?
 - What challenges does it face?
- Use credible sources such as the organization's official website, academic journals, and reputable news articles.

3. Prepare Interview Questions:

- Develop a list of interview questions that you would ask if you were to interview a representative of the NGO or project. Here are some example questions:
 - Can you describe the main objectives of your organization?
 - What inspired the creation of this project?
 - How do you measure the success of your initiatives?
 - What role do local communities play in your projects?
 - How do you address challenges in implementing your projects?

4. Role-Playing:

- In your audio recording, one partner will take on the role of the interviewer, while the other will act as the representative of the NGO or project.
- Practice your roles to ensure a smooth and engaging recording.

5. Recording & Saving the Audio:

- Use a recording device or software (like a smartphone, computer, or audio recording app) to create your audio interview.
- Aim for a recording length of about **5-10 minutes**.
- Speak clearly and at a moderate pace to ensure that your audience can understand you.
- If needed, you can edit the audio to enhance sound quality or remove any mistakes. There are various free audio editing tools available online.
- Save your audio file in a common format (like MP3 or WAV).
- Leave your audio in the student folder.

Tips for Success:

- **Engage Your Audience:** Use storytelling techniques to make your audio interview more relatable and interesting.
- **Practice Makes Perfect:** Rehearse your interview multiple times to build confidence and ensure clarity.
- **Be Respectful and Professional:** Treat the recording as a real interview. Maintain a professional tone and demeanor.
- **Sound Quality Matters:** Find a quiet space to record your audio to minimize background noise and distractions.
- **Time Management:** Keep track of time during your recording to ensure you cover all points without rushing.