### Multimedia Feedback on Students' Formative Assessment (VoiceThread)

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#### MA Intermediate Plus: Russian

- ▶2 hours per week
- ▶ 4 skills: reading, writing, listening, and speaking
- ▶8 people: diverse linguistic background
- Language Based Area Studies

#### Educational Reasons

- Skill-based learning: Speaking and Listening
- Gap in linguistic levels
- Development of Prompted and Spontaneous speaking skills outside of the classroom
- Controlled environment to prevent "embedded" mistakes

   presence of an expert and feedback on progress
   (formative assessment)

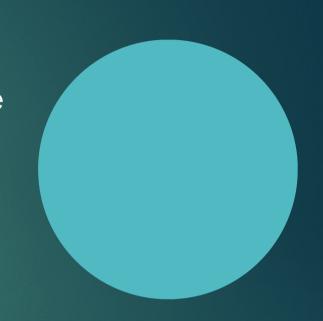
### VoiceThread

www.voicethread.com

▶ Interactive platform - discussion space

▶ Free account

▶ User-friendly



## VoiceThread and The Course Content

- ▶ 4 Thematic Blocks:
  - ► Language and Culture
  - ▶ Politics and Economics
  - ▶ History and Society
  - ▶Education and Science

▶ 2 VT assignments per block

### Assignments: Task Based Learning

- Listening (lectures, podcasts and songs)
- Pronunciation reading out loud (poems)
- Vocabulary reading authentic pieces
- Speaking discussions: argumentation, agreeing/disagreeing, sharing opinion, asking questions etc.
- Researcher skills finding information in Russian independently, interviewing, analysing and comparing

### Improved PPP Feedback

Prompt feedback – there and then

 Personalised feedback – diverse linguistic backgrounds – diverse mistakes

 Private feedback (pronunciation, grammar, syntax, vocabulary, register, style etc.) – no embarrassment

# Audio and Written Feedback via VoiceThread

- More constructive feedback in less time
- Audio feedback Increased teaching presence
- Multisensory teaching Inclusive teaching: students with SpLD and students with different linguistic training
- Blended Learning and Connected Curriculum

## Thank you!

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