# Getting Started with Pronunciator

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“Over 80 languages to learn with interactive activities, downloadable audio lessons, and more. Whether you want to pick up a few phrases for travelling or become fluent in a second language, this service can help!”

In your browser
- [www.sclibrary.ca](http://www.sclibrary.ca)
- Click on “Digital Content”, scroll down to “Pronunciator” and then click on the word “More”
- From there, you can access the app or play store, or go to the Pronunciator log in webpage

Download the app
- Google Play for Android devices
- Apple Store for iOS devices
- Download/Install
- Register (step below) or log in if you have already registered

How to create an account
- Access Pronunciator from the library’s website
- Register with your email
- Create a password
- Your “student name” = your email address

If you are registered with an account, Pronunciator will remember what you were learning last time you were logged in.
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Once you are logged in

- Select the language you speak
- Select the language you want to learn
- If you have previously used Pronunciator, it will ask if you want to pick up where you left off
Selecting your language learning style

- Personalized Courses: you can select specific topics or occupations to focus on, the skills you want to build, and how much you want to study per day.
- Main Course: for the independent learner, more flexible and with options like movies and music.
- Learning Guides: more structured, multi-week and you can select according to your level of understanding or how much time you have to learn the new language.
Main Course
- First, select a level
- Second, select a unit
- Third, select which exercise you want to do (it can be done in order, or not)
- After you finish one exercise, it automatically moves you to the next
- You can adjust the level of difficulty by hiding the hints
- Once you complete a quiz, the stats will be entered in My Stats (which can be downloaded as a spreadsheet)
- You can find additional options in the Main Course such as ProFlix, ProRadio, ProPoetry and so on depending on the language
- Some languages also have a downloadable Phrasebook which is roughly 50 pages of useful phrases and their phonetic spelling (ideal for travelers!)

Learning Guides
- Only available for some languages
- The more popular the language, the more options there are
- Usually divided by week, with exercises for every day
- Exercises include reading, writing, speaking and quizzes
- More options for younger learners
- Some languages will have a ProTour option which is a more visual learning experience
- Some languages have a grammar reference tool option

Example of the Main Course for French:

![Welcome to Pronunciator's French course!](image-url)
Orientation and Navigation

This menu always appears at the top right in the main course or the learning guides.

ProSearch: The search function is for searching a word you are learning/want to learn.

Log out: it does not ask you if you meant to log out, so only click this button if you are sure you want to log out.

Help: brings you to the Help Center. It is extensive and very helpful.

My Stats: the statistics for everything you have completed on Pronunciator.

Settings: you change the number of times the native speaker repeats a phrase in your class, and you can turn the ProLive class notifications off.

Global Volume: the volume on a sliding scale.

Home: brings you to the page where you select your own language and the language you want to learn.

These arrows let you navigate to the next slide, or back to the previous slide.

Slide number.

Speed of the voiceover speech.

Option to mute.
Select... Unit / Select... Level

You always have the option to select a level when you are using a language learning style guide. For example, you may want to select the level “Powerful Phrases” if you are going to travel soon.

You can be more specific in the unit selection. For example, you might want to learn phrases about romance, if you are planning a trip to Paris.
Examples of exercises

Flashcards

- The French spelling.
- The phonetic spelling.
- The hint that was hidden / the answer (you can click on it to choose to hide it or show it)

How did you feel about your answer? Hover over the icons with your mouse to see what each mean and rate your answer accordingly.

Quizzes

- Different quizzes available to you.
- The option to hide or view a hint.

Don't forget that the results of your quizzes are stored in “My Stats”!
Important Notes

Microphone

- Make sure your computer or smartphone has functioning speakers.
- If you require headphones and you are in the library, we have headphones available at both information desks.

Pronunciator – the App

- The login process and the initial selecting of the main course or the language learning styles are similar to the browser version of Pronunciator.
- If you are using the app on an iOS device, you will not be able to use your microphone, but you can use your microphone through the browser version of Pronunciator.

Some quizzes and exercises require you to use your microphone so Pronunciator can test your pronunciation. The first time you need to use your microphone, this little window will pop up and you will be asked to “allow” access. Click allow to proceed.
How can I get more help?

| Ask Us? | Staff at the Library’s Information Desk can help you with basic Pronunciator questions. You can also book a 1 on 1 appointment with a librarian.  
Email: info@sclibrary.ca  
Phone: (780) 410-8600 |
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| Strathcona County Library | The Library has many resources to help you learn a new language. Search our catalogue:  
https://scl.bibliocommons.com/ |