

SmartClass+

SmartClass+ HomeWork

Web-Based
Language Self-Study Platform



Anywhere, Anytime Learning

In today's fast-paced world, it is not always practical to cover a rich language curriculum on a rigid schedule.

SmartClass+ HomeWork extends the performance of Robotel's legendary language lab platform outside of the school and into the home – in fact, anywhere and anytime!

With SmartClass+ HomeWork, students are able to access and execute assignments anywhere they connect to the web – from a laptop or a tablet.

And teachers can now prepare assignments and review student responses from the comfort of their own home – at any hour of the day.



The HomeWork Advantage

Learning a second language is very much like learning to play a musical instrument. The major way to improve virtuosity is through hands-on practice.

SmartClass+ HomeWork enables students to practice their language skills outside of school whenever it is convenient for them.

- **Interactive, multimedia exercises:** Students interact with multimedia materials in which native speakers of the target language are communicating in authentic situations.
- **Recording exercises:** Students record and listen to themselves speaking the target language – comparing their responses to a model speaker.

Student Motivation

Another factor affecting language learning is motivation: Motivated learners accomplish more in less time.

- **Get students excited:** Multimedia activities can actually get your iPad generation of students excited about learning.

Freedom for Teachers

Teachers are some of the busiest and most dedicated people on the planet. While they may be enthusiastic about giving their students every opportunity to learn, sometimes it is just not practical to spend an extra couple of hours at school to prepare new assignments or grade completed assignments.

With SmartClass+ HomeWork, teachers do not need to physically stay at school to complete these tasks. They can access the SmartClass+ Media Activities Dashboard from home – from anywhere, and at anytime – to prepare new exercises or review student responses.

Standardized Approach

All SmartClass+ systems – including HomeWork – use the identical MAD user interface, so that teachers can immediately begin using SmartClass+ HomeWork without any additional training.

Teachers are able to work in the language lab, from their office, and now from their home with one common, easy-to-use standardized application.

Customized Multimedia Exercises

Interactive Media Activities

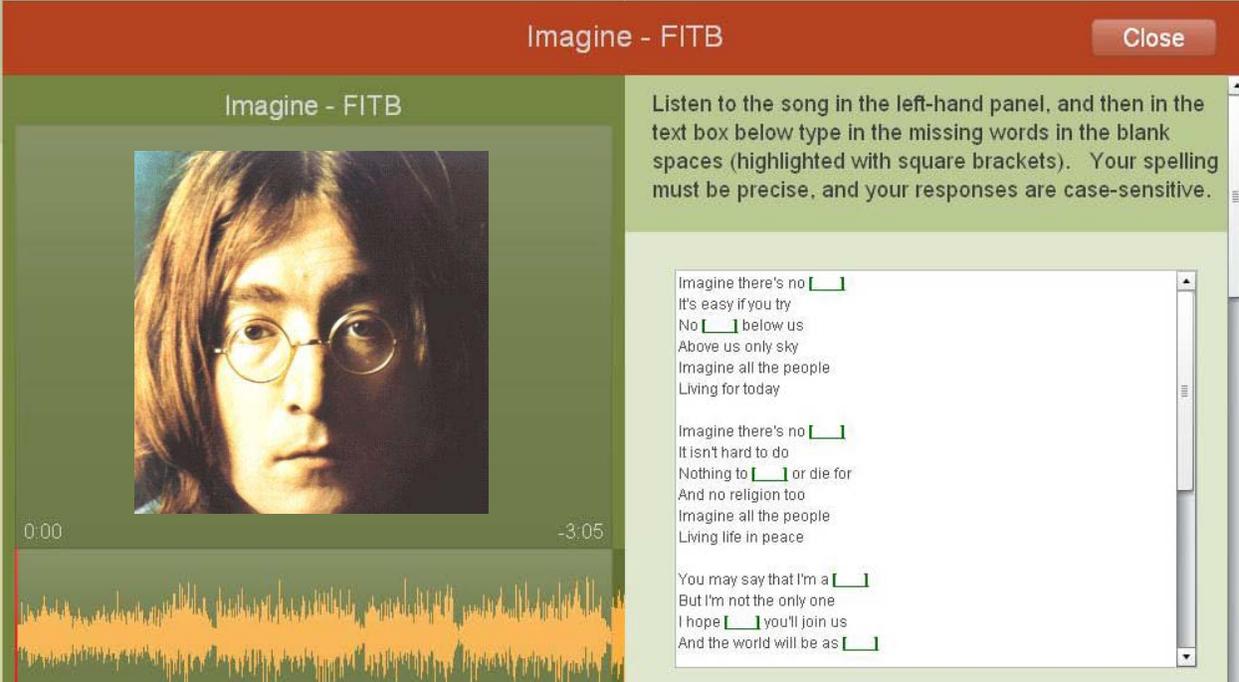
Using the Media Activities Dashboard, (MAD), teachers are able to build stimulating multimedia exercises using the simple step-by-step templates provided with the system.

SmartClass+ exercises make it easy to practice all aspects of language skills, including reading, writing, listening, and speaking.

Easy Built-In Exercise Templates

- Open Recording
- Simultaneous Recording
- AAC Recording (sequential)
- Open Text
- Question & Answer
- Multiple Choice
- Fill-In-The-Blanks

Imagine - FITB

Close


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Listen to the song in the left-hand panel, and then in the text box below type in the missing words in the blank spaces (highlighted with square brackets). Your spelling must be precise, and your responses are case-sensitive.

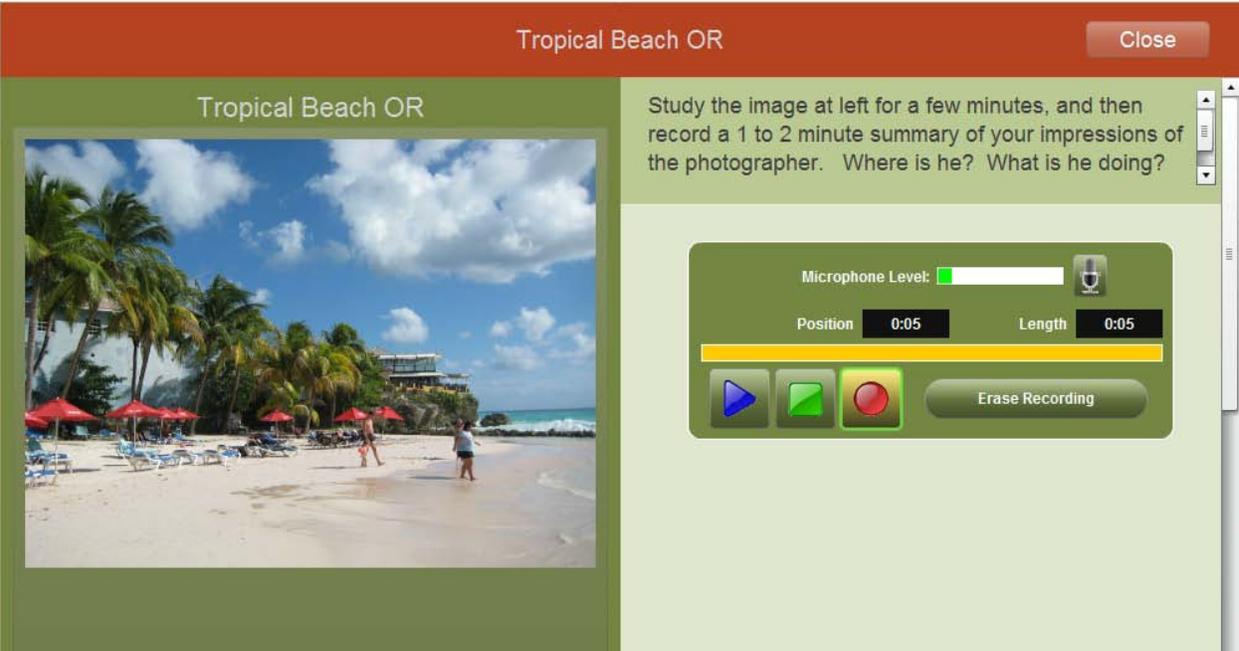
Imagine there's no []
It's easy if you try
No [] below us
Above us only sky
Imagine all the people
Living for today

Imagine there's no []
It isn't hard to do
Nothing to [] or die for
And no religion too
Imagine all the people
Living life in peace

You may say that I'm a []
But I'm not the only one
I hope [] you'll join us
And the world will be as []

Student Fill-In-The-Blanks Exercise

Tropical Beach OR

Close


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Study the image at left for a few minutes, and then record a 1 to 2 minute summary of your impressions of the photographer. Where is he? What is he doing?

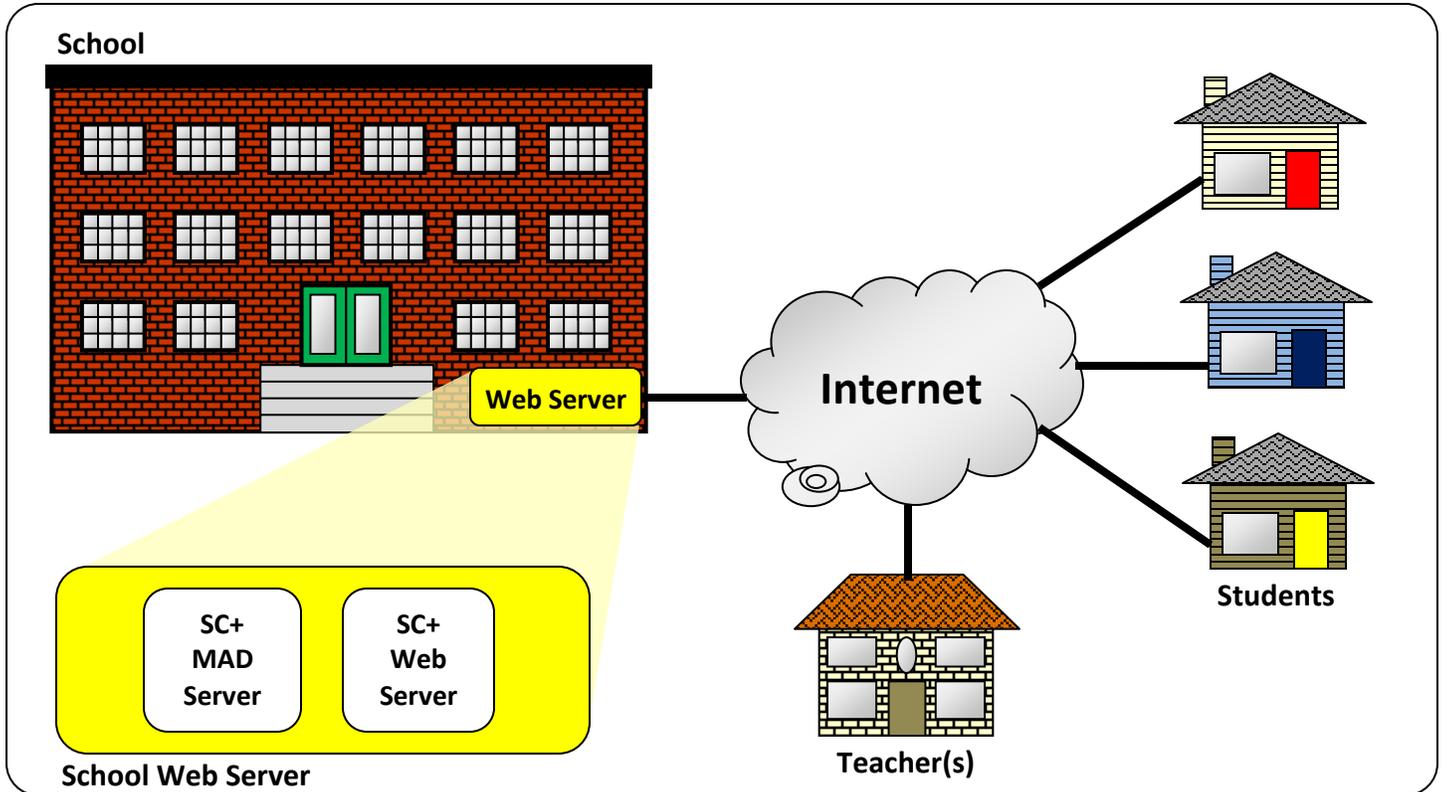
Microphone Level:

Position 0:05 Length 0:05

Eraser Recording

Student Open Recording Exercise

SmartClass+ HomeWork Technical Description



Web Server

All external access to the SmartClass+ database is via the school's web server. Two programs, (SmartClass+ Web Server and SmartClass+ MAD Server), operating within the school, (and typically running on the School Web Server), are used to manage student sessions with the SmartClass+ database.

The MAD Server manages the number of concurrent student and teacher connections.

SmartClass+ HomeWork "App"

Computers and/or tablets being used by students and teachers will install the SmartClass+ HomeWork "app".

The app is free, and can be downloaded from the iTunes store (for iPad), from Google Play (for Android), or from Robotel (Windows).

Users can manually configure their app to link with the school web server, or the app can use an on-line Robotel directory server to identify the correct server for their school.

System Integration

SmartClass+ HomeWork can be used as an independent system with its own database, or it can be used in conjunction with additional school-based SmartClass+ systems, (including SmartClass+, SmartClass+ WiFi, and SmartClass+ Rover).

When integrated with other SmartClass+ systems, all systems share a common database.



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