

# LAS 6292: RESOURCES FOR TRANSCRIPTION & TRANSLATION

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## Translation

### Upload (Free)

1. [Google Translate](#) and [help documents](#).
2. [DeepL](#)

### Upload (Limited Free + Paid)

1. [Otter.ai](#). English only; free (600 min/mo) and paid plans. Can transcribe zoom meetings (e.g., if you do interviews via zoom) and can [integrate with Dropbox](#). Phone app is available for [iOS](#)
2. [Happy Scribe](#). 40+ languages. 30 min. free then paid; [student pricing available](#). Can integrate with Zapier to up/download files from [Google Drive](#) and [Dropbox](#)
3. [Temi](#). English Only, less accurate than Otter.ai and Happy Scribe.
4. [Spext](#). Speech-audio-text editing; free and paid plans.
5. Online demo version of [Watson](#); note the “detect multiple speakers” option.
6. [Translate Shell](#)
7. [Comparison Video](#)

### via API (free, paid)

1. [googleLanguageR](#). Uses the Google Cloud machine learning APIs for text and speech tasks. The [Cloud Translation API](#) does detection and translation of text.
2. [aws.translate](#) uses the Amazon Web Services to do transcription via API. Has program for NGO/non-profits.
3. [translate](#) Another translator via Google API
4. [translateR](#) Yet another translator via Google API.
5. [Watson \(IBM\)](#) 500 minutes free

6. [DeepL](#)
7. [Translate Shell](#) via API
8. [Zoom](#)

## **Manual Transolation with Computer Assisted Technology (CAT) Software**

1. A video overview of different tools [Tools](#)
2. [OmegaT CAT Software](#). Free software
3. [WordFast Anywhere](#) is free, online (desktop version are paid)
4. [Across.net](#). Basic version is free

## **Translation Resources**

1. [Linguee](#) Good for slang and expressions;searches different ways in which one word has been translated. Can also enter several words or even a sentence to find different translations.
2. [Thesaurus.com](#); equivalent in foreign language.
3. Side-by-Side [Text Comparison Website](#)

## **Audio Transcription**

### **Automated via upload (limited free, paid)**

2. [Otter.ai](#) and [online tutorial](#)
3. [Amazon Transcribe](#)

### **Automated via API (paid)**

1. [transcribeR](#) uses HP IDOL OnDemand's Speech Recognition API. You can read a tutorial [here](#)
2. [googleLanguageR](#). Uses the Google Cloud machine learning APIs for text and speech tasks. The [Cloud Speech API](#) transcribes sound files to text and the Cloud Text-to-Speech AP
3. [AWS transcribe](#) uses the Amazon Web Services to do transcription via API. Has program for NGO/non-profits.

### **Manual via software (free, paid)**

1. [oTranscribe](#) Incredibly easy, web based, with time stamps, variable speed.
2. Express Scribe [Transcription Software]<https://www.nch.com.au/scribe/index.html>) and [a tutorial](#). There is a free version.

3. [Transcribe](#)
4. [Nvivo](#)
5. [Listen N Write](#)
6. [InScribe](#)

## **Text Transcription (via dictation)**

1. [Google Docs](#)
2. [SpeechNotes](#)

## **Resources & Tools**

1. Guide to capturing and processing [images for archiving](#)
2. Examples of Transcription Notes
  - [Sample 1](#)
  - [Sample 2](#)
3. Guide to [Transcription Coding](#)
4. Style Guides
  - Samuel Proctor Project [Style Guide](#)
  - Library of Congress [Transcription Guide](#)
  - Smithsonian Archives of American Art [Style Guide](#)
  - Smithsonian Volunteer Transcription Program [Guide](#) and [Expert Tips](#)
5. Foot Pedals
  - [Infinity](#)
  - [Kinesis](#)
6. Text Shortcuts
  - [Google Docs](#)
  - [MS Word](#)

## **Sources and Useful Reading**

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