Google Cloud Project Documentation

0. Introduction

The below steps detail how to create the Google Cloud Project (GCP) for the Familyar, the Virtual Assistant for Patients With Dementia.

To overview, the GCP holds our image animation automation (refer to the Image Animation Documentation), storage bucket, and uses both the Speech to Text API and the Cloud Natural Language API.

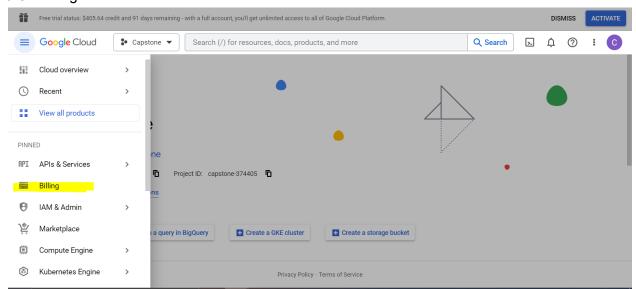
To get the project running, you must follow these steps, and change the config file in the project to match accordingly (see README).

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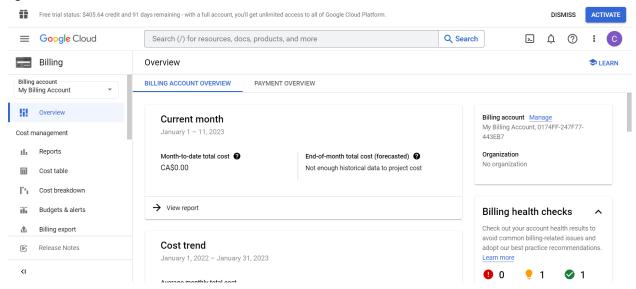
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1. Set up a New Google Cloud Account with a free trial

- 1) Ensure you have a gmail account ready that has not already created a GCP.
- 2) Go to https://console.cloud.google.com/. Click the button that says "Activate" at the "Free trial" banner. Then, link the gmail account that you just made. It will ask you for billing details, but it won't automatically take from your account when the credits are up. You'll need to manually upgrade the account if you want to do this.
- 3) When that's all done, check that you have credits. On the left hand side, click the hamburger, then Billing.



Double check that all the monthly costs are 0, and scroll down to the "Free trial credit" on the right hand side. Make sure that's not 0.





4) If that all matches, then you've done it correctly.

2. Creating a New Project

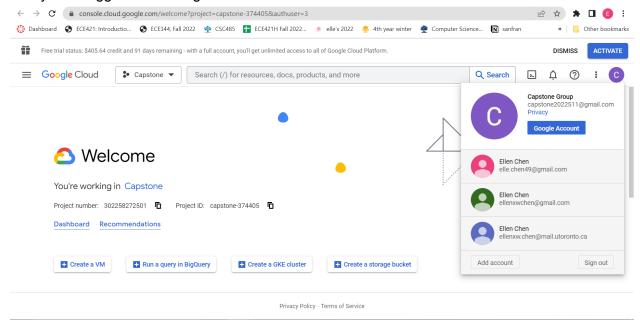
To get the free trial benefits, the new project **must** be created by someone who has not created their own GCP before, and ran out the credits.

For example, let's say person A created a GCP, used a free trial, and no longer has a free trial (ran out of credits or ran out of the 90 days). If person A tries to create a new GCP, the free trial would not work for them. However, if person B creates a GCP with a free trial, then person A can contribute to their GCP.

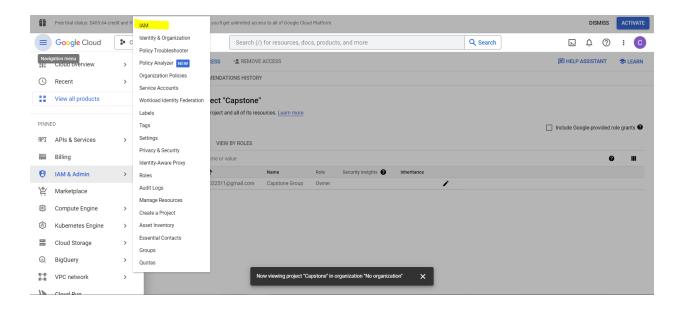
Our team essentially kept using each other's email addresses, and created new GCPs to keep using the free trial function.

Google's tutorial: https://developers.google.com/workspace/guides/create-project

1) Go back to https://console.cloud.google.com. On the right hand side, with the circle, make sure you're logged into the right account.



- 2) Typically, Google Cloud creates a project already for you called "My First Project", but let's just create a project called "Capstone" for consistency. To do this, go to step 3.
- 3) On the left hand side, click on the hamburger, then click on "IAM & Admin", and then click "IAM".



It'll give you an option to "Create a Project".

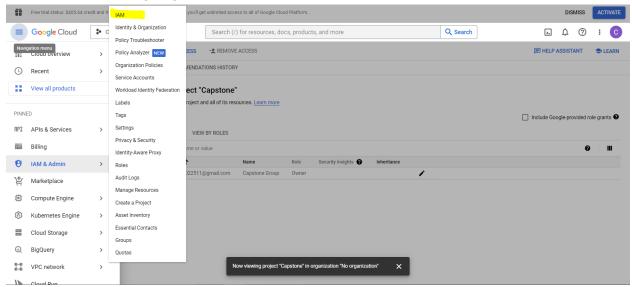
If this doesn't work, go to this link: https://console.cloud.google.com/cloud-resource-manager And click "Create a Project".

4) Give the project name "Capstone"

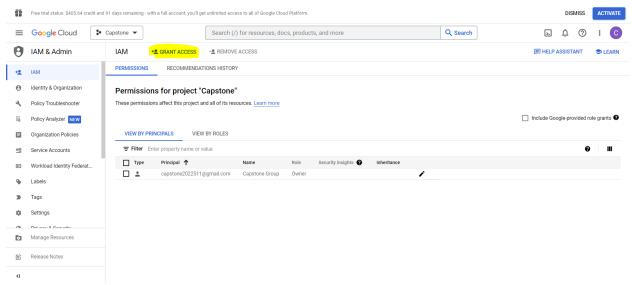
3. Share the Project with Other Members

This is so if the other members want to enable any APIs, look at any file storage buckets, or any cloud functions, they need to do this.

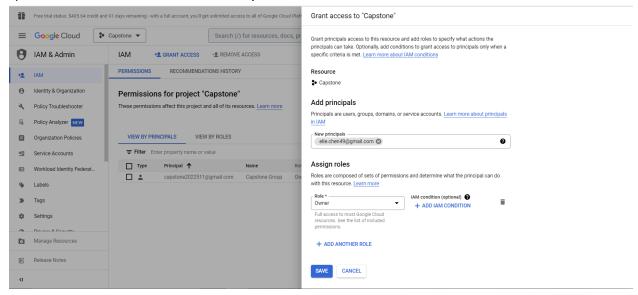
1) On the left hamburger, go to "IAM & Admin", then "IAM"



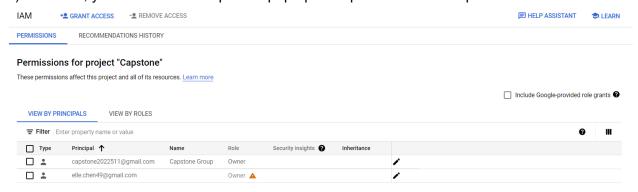
2) Make sure you're on the Capstone project. Then, click "Grant Access".



3) Put the email address in the "Principals" section, and in Roles, select "Owner". Click "Save".



4) After that, you should see the person pop up. The person must accept the invitation.



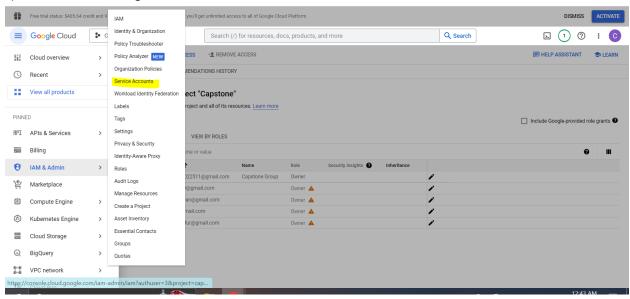
5) Do this for all members of the group.

4. Creating a Service Account

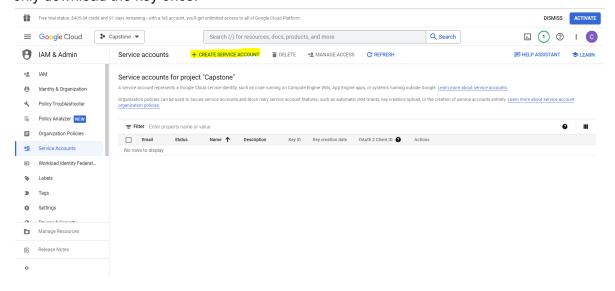
A service account (and the corresponding key) is required to authenticate to the GCP when you are calling APIs, or accessing the storage bucket. This means that the computer that houses the Python backend MUST have a copy of the key installed, and in the proper directory that is pointed to by the config file (see README).

Google's tutorial: https://cloud.google.com/iam/docs/creating-managing-service-accounts

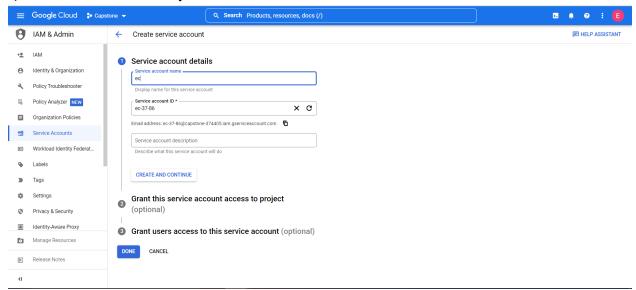
1) Go to the hamburger, click "IAM & Admin", and then "Service Accounts"



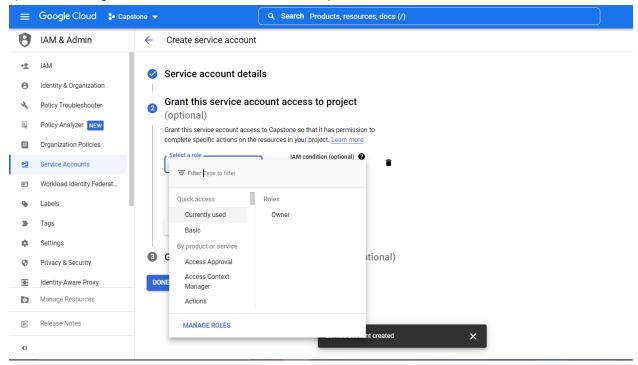
2) Up at the top, click "Create Service Account". Ideally for safety and for tracking suspicious activity, create one for every person, and do not post the .json key anywhere (Github, Drive, etc). The person should create their own service account on their own account, since you can only download the key once.



3) You can write whatever you want for the "Service Account Name".

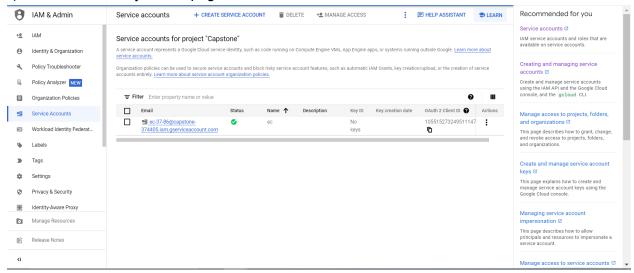


4) You should grant this service account "Owner" permissions

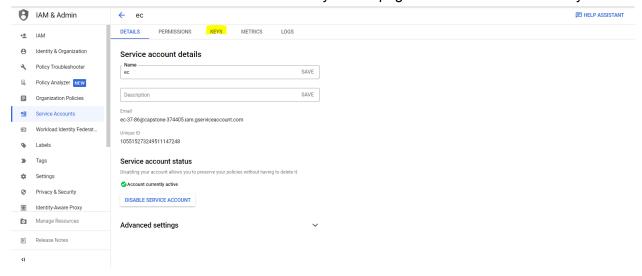


5) Step 3 of allowing users access to this service account is optional, so skip that and click "Done".

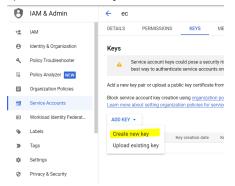
6) It should redirect you to a page like this



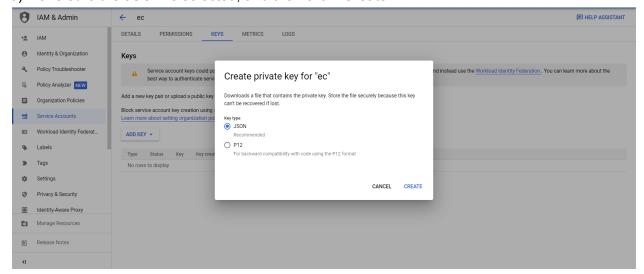
7) Now that the service account is created, we want to create a key for the account. Click into the link under the "Email" column. It should take you to a page like this. Click on the "Keys" tab.



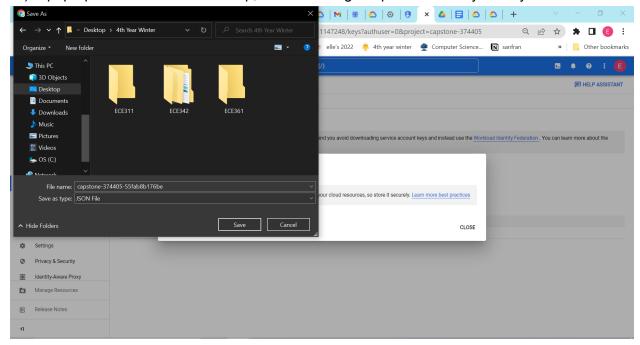
8) Go to "Add key", and then "Create a New Key".



9) Make sure the JSON is selected, and then click "Create"



10) A pop-up window should come up, and select a good place to save your key.

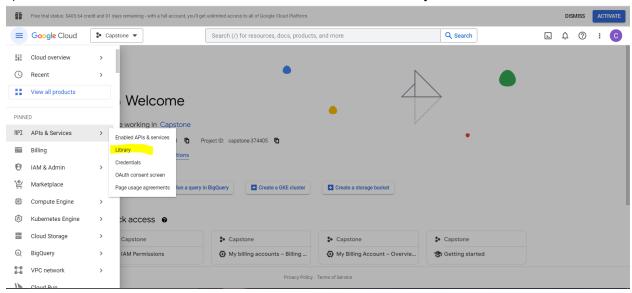


- 11) Now, you're done! Use that .json file as the new .json file to connect to the Google Cloud Client.
- 12) Make sure you remember the name of this file, and the location, as you will be changing the config files in the project so that they match the location. If you are confused, please refer to the README in the GitHub.

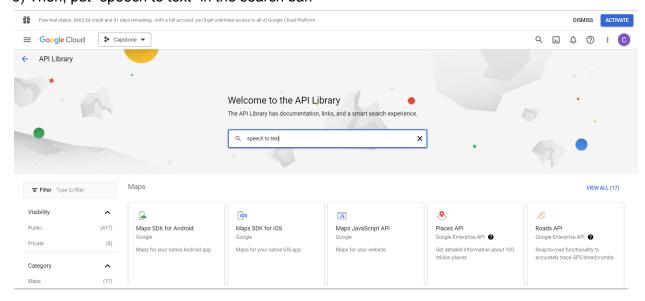
5. Enable Speech-to-Text in the Project

Google's Tutorial: https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/docs/before-you-begin

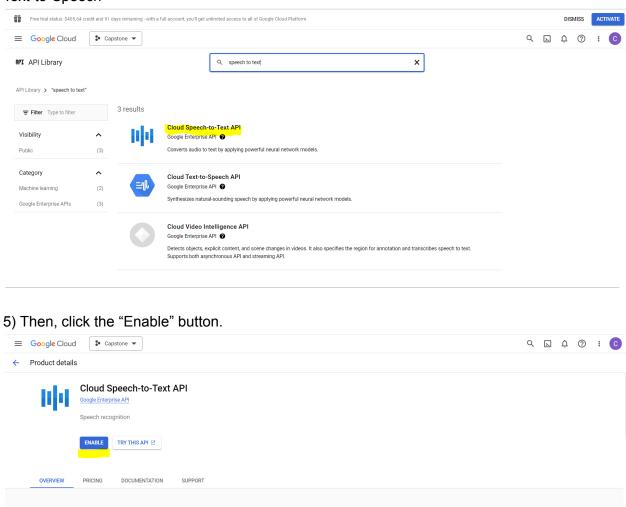
- 1) To enable this, you need to enable the Speech-to-Text API in the Google Cloud Console, create at least 1 service account, and download that service account key.
- 2) Go to the console, "APIs & Services", and then click on "Library"



3) Then, put "speech to text" in the search bar.



4) The Speech-to-Text API should come up. Make sure you're clicking Speech-to-Text, not Text-to-Speech



Additional details

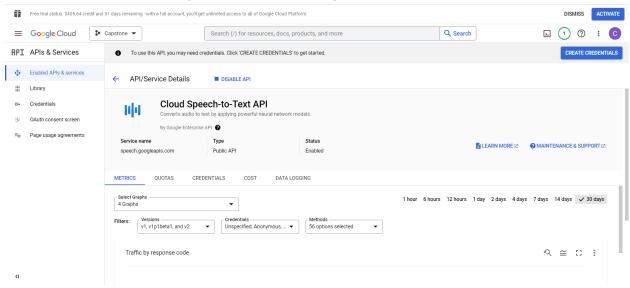
Type: SaaS & APIs

Category: Machine learning, Google Enterprise APIs
Service name: speech.googleapis.com

Overview

Converts audio to text by applying powerful neural network models.

6) When that's all complete, you should see the page redirect to this



7) Now the Speech-To-Text API is enabled. You'll need to create a service account and download the key to get it all working.

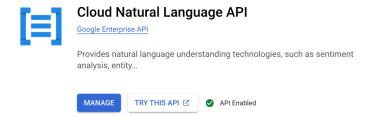
6. Enable Natural Language API in the Project

(This is the exact same steps as Part 5)

Google's Tutorial: https://cloud.google.com/natural-language/docs/setup

To enable this, you need to enable the Natural Language API in the Google Cloud Console, create at least 1 service account, and download that service account key.

Follow the same steps as Part 5, but type "Cloud Natural Language API" instead of "speech to text". When you have enabled it, it should look like this:



Now the Cloud Natural Language API is enabled. You'll need to create a service account and download the key to get it all working if you haven't already.

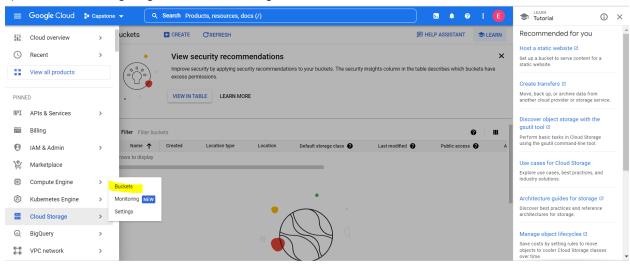
7. Create the File Buckets in the Google Cloud Project

In this section, we are creating **two** file storage buckets.

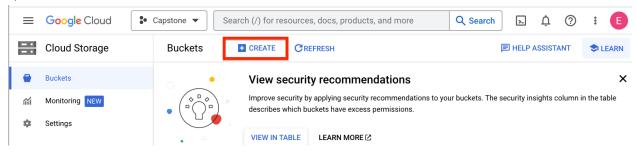
- "familiar-person" → this is for storing all of the finished deepfaked video and audio clips after image animation and voice cloning. The iOS app downloads from this bucket when creating a voice call.
- "familiar-person-form-data" → this is for storing the voice recording and the image of the familiar person's face when they create a new profile through the app. Both the image animation and the voice cloning steps take from this file bucket.

Therefore, you will do the following steps twice. One for "familiar-person", and another for "familiar-person-form-data". They both have the same configuration.

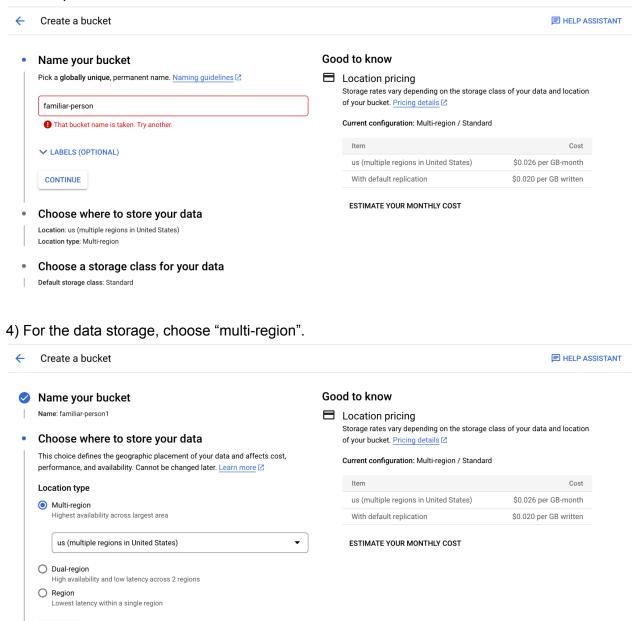
1) On the hamburger, go to "Cloud Storage", and then click on "Buckets".



2) Then, click on "Create".

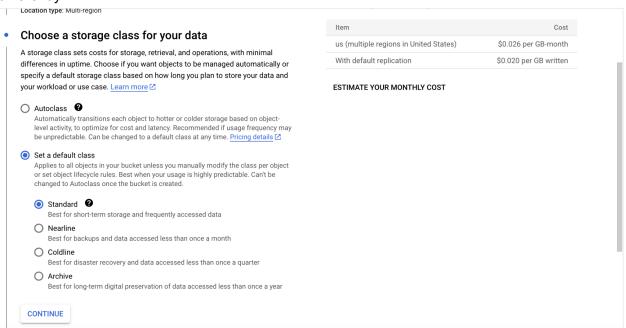


3) This page will appear. For the name, you should either put "familiar-person", or "familiar-person-form-data".

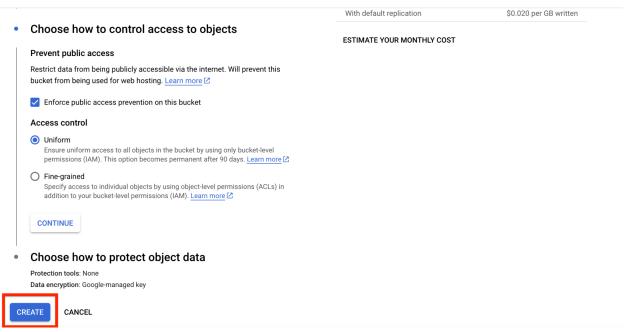


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5) For the storage class, our team has consistently used "Standard", but you can choose differently.



6) For control access, we want to ensure all of the members of the project can access this file storage bucket. Select "Uniform" for Access control. Then, press "Create" to create the file bucket.



^{*}Remember to do the same thing for "familiar-person-form-data".*