

# **MyConversationTrainer**

# Instructor Guide



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### <u>My Conversation Trainer: User Guide For</u> <u>Instructors</u>

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### <u>I have successfully logged in to my Instructor Account.</u> <u>What will I see?</u>

When you log in to your Instructor Account, you will be brought to your MyConversationTrainer Dashboard.

On the Dashboard screen, you will see:

- A "+New Section" button where you can create your own brand-new section.
- The **Section Name** for your course. A "pencil and paper" icon to the left of the section name will allow you to edit the Section Name at any time.
- Your **Section Code** to provide students to enroll in your MyConversationTrainer section.
- A "Create/Edit Conversations" chat bubble icon where you can click to access, create and edit new or existing conversations.
- A "**Student Progress**" icon where you can click to view, edit and release to students AI-generated feedback as well as view student grades.
- The "RolePlay Trainer" practice chat feature
- The "AI Spanish Tutor" feature

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SECTION NAME	SECTION CODE	CREATE/EDIT CONVERSATIONS STUDENT	Want more practice 2
🗹 Aventuras, 7e - MLS Example	25-05-455503		RolePlay Trainer
Dicho y hecho, 11e - MLS Example	25-05-340422		
C Enfoques, 6e - MLS Example	25-09-331251		Questions about the Spanish Language ?
Experiencias Beg, 2e - MLS Example	25-05-342040		

## How do my students enroll in my MyConversationTrainer section?

Students will enroll in your section using the **Section Code** located on your MyConversationTrainer Dashboard.

Send this code to your class, and each student will enter it in a designated "Section Code" field in their own account. You'll see your roster of enrolled students in your Student Progress section.



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## How do I access a section's AI conversations and assignments if a section template was provided to me?

Click on the "chat bubble" icon under the Create/Edit Conversations column.



If your section is using a template based on one of our textbooks, the assignments containing conversations will be arranged in order by Lesson/Chapter.

← Vistas 7e - Section code: 25-02-100023



Click on the icon of the "person" avatar to view details about a conversation.

Click Settings to practice the conversation yourself



### How do I modify or expand upon my section's Al conversations and assignments if a section template was provided to me?

Below are the different ways to make changes to existing conversations and assignments:

• After clicking the "person" avatar for the AI conversation you wish to modify, click **Settings** to practice the conversation yourself and/or to make any edits to the existing conversation tied to that avatar.



• Click the blue **+Add** to add a new assignment to the bottom of the existing table of contents.



• Click the **blue and white icon** in the top-right of the conversation circle to create an exact duplicate of that conversation. This duplicate conversation can then be modified and edited as desired.



• Click the **pencil and paper icon** next to an assignment's name to edit or rename that assignment



### <u>I've clicked "Settings" to edit to an existing conversation.</u> <u>What edits can I make?</u>

Clicking **Settings** will bring you straight into a "Practice" conversation screen where the conversation will immediately begin.

To adjust a conversation's settings from this screen, click the "**Gear**" **icon** at the top of the page, to the right of the conversation's name.

← Introducing Yourself and Your	Spanish Class 🖼 🗲 🗕
Compañero de clase ¡Hola! ¿Cómo estás? 0:01 / 0:01	

Clicking the gear opens the **Chat Settings** screen, which contains the following options, listed from the top-down:

- Trash Can Symbol Use to delete this conversation entirely
- Title Here you can rename the conversation
- Image Change the chat avatar for this conversation
- **Description –** Write the prompt for the conversation here
- Mode Set to "Practice" or "Evaluation" mode
- Due Date Set a due date for completion of the activity
- Al Voice Select the voice and dialect you wish for the Al to use
- AI Role The role you wish the AI to play on their side of the conversation
- Al Context What is the situation being played out in the conversation Can be input in English or Spanish
- Initial Message How will the AI initiate the conversation. This is required
- **Question List** How many questions will the AI ask? Here you can use AI to generate questions, or you can write your own.
- Save Save any changes you have made

As changes are made and then saved, the conversation will start to play out in Practice mode so you can review and practice.

Once you click **Save**, scroll to the top of the page and use the arrow to the left of **Chat Settings** to return to the table of contents containing all available conversations.

← Chat Settings		х
Title:	Introducing Yourself and Your Spanish Class	
Image	boy2	
Description:	Answer questions about yourself and your Spanish class.	
Mode:	Practice	
Due Date: 🔶	mm/dd/yyyy	
Al voice:	Male 4 (LATAM) 🗸	
Level:	Beginner 🗸	
Al Role:	Compañero de clase	
Al context:	Te llamas Camilo. Es una conversación en la clase.	
Initial Message ┥ ——	;Hola! ¿Cómo estás?	
	Number of questions 5 Generate AI Generate AI Generate AI Generate AI	
Question List	¿Cómo te llamas?; ¿De dónde eres?; ¿Qué hora es?; ¿Quién es tu profesora o profesor de español?; ¿Cuántos estudiantes hay en la clase de español?	
	separate questions by semicolon (;) example: Question 1 ; Question 2	

Save

#### <u>I've clicked "+Add" to create a new assignment on an</u> existing section. What do I do next?

Under the **+Add** button a field will appear where you can name your new assignment. Name the assignment and then click the blue **Create** button. The new assignment will appear as the last assignment in the table of contents.



Next, click **New**. This will generate a "person" avatar to left of the New button.



Click the "person" avatar, then click Settings to build your custom conversation.



## How do I add my own custom AI conversation to an existing section's assignment?

Click on the "**chat bubble**" icon under the **Create/Edit Conversations** column. This will bring you to a table of contents containing all the pre-created conversation options for your Section.



If your Section is using a template based on a Vista Higher Learning textbook, the assignments containing conversations will be arranged in order by Lesson/Chapter.

Next, click **New** in the Lesson/Chapter where you wish to add the custom Al conversation. This will generate a new "person" avatar you can click to build your conversation



Click the new icon, then click **Settings** to name and build your custom conversation.



## How do I build a new section from scratch and add assignments and conversations to it?

On your MyConversationTrainer dashboard, click **+New Section.** In the next field, name your section and then click **Create** 

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Create new section	x	
Enter a section nan	Create	
SECTION NAME		SECTION CODE
🗹 Aventuras, 7e - Ml	.S Example	25-05-455503

Scroll to your new section (all sections are ordered alphabetically) and click on the "**chat bubble**" icon.

🗹 Test

25-14-424303



On the next screen, click **+Add** to name your new assignment. Then click the blue **Create** button.

÷	Test - Section code: 25-14-424303						
			Click "+Add" to name and create your section	 	+ Add		
		Name					
		Create					

The new assignment will appear with a **New** button to click to start creating conversations using the same process as if you were editing an existing conversation.

New		🗹 Test Convo
	+ Add	

Repeat as desired to add new assignments and conversations

#### How do I delete a section entirely?

From your MyConversationTrainer dashboard, click the **Student Progress** icon.



At the top of the next screen, click the **Trash Can** icon to delete the course.

You will receive a warning advising you cannot revert deleting a section. Choose to finalize the deletion or click to cancel the deletion.





#### How do I delete an assignment entirely?

From your MyConversationTrainer dashboard, click the **chat bubble** icon to access the assignment table of contents within the section



Next, click the **pencil and paper icon** to the left of the assignment's name.



Select the **trash can icon** to delete the assignment. You will receive a warning advising you cannot revert deleting an assignment and that all information will be lost.



Click to finalize the deletion or click to cancel the deletion.



### What are the differences between "Practice" and "Evaluation" activities?

**Practice Activities** are low-stakes exercises where students can practice their conversational skills with resources to help them enhance proficiency. These resources include:

- The option to translate individual questions to English and back to Spanish
- The option to receive hints on how to respond, which are also translatable
- An AI Spanish Tutor available to answer questions relating to vocabulary and grammar during the activity
- The option to write or speak a response
- No time limit and unlimited attempts
- The ability to slow down or speed up AI audio
- Real-time feedback upon completion of the activity



**Evaluation activities** are designated by a small, green circle with an "E" in the center on the icon for a particular chat activity.



These activities will have a time limit specified by you, the instructor, and will be verbal only. There will be no hint, translation or tutoring options.

MY CONVERSATION TRAINER	
← Talking about College Life	Remaining Time: 09:51
Una amiga ► 0:01 / 0:01	An evaluation will have a time limit for completion

A student's score will be released only after you have reviewed the AI Feedback and grade.

#### Where can I view my students' grades?

On your main dashboard, there will be a column marked "**Student Progress**" containing a **multi-colored "meter" icon** with three stars above it. Click on this icon.



On the next screen, you will see a roster of students enrolled in your section in a column called **Students** on the left side of the screen. You will see a list of the assignments within the section in a column called **Assignments** on the right of the screen.

In the **Students** column you will see:

- The student's first and last name
- A Remove link Click to remove the student from your section
- An Edit link Click to change the name of the student in your section
- A **View Completed** link Click to view a complete log of all Practice and Evaluation Activities completed by the student

#### ← Section Portales 2.0 Intro - MLS Example - 25-05-434215 🍿

Search student		
Students		
Name†↓	Last Name ↑↓	Options
David	Bartlett	Remove Edit View Completed
		<b>↑ ↓ ↓</b>

In the **Assignments** column you will see:

- A list of all the assignments in your section that have been set to be Evaluation activities
- A **View Completed** link to view all the students who have completed the Evaluation activity
- An **Edit** link which will open a new tab and bring you to that Evaluation Activity. Here you can click the gear to make edits in the Chat Settings area.

View Completed Edit
View Completed Edit
<b>↑</b> ↑

### How do I review and release an Evaluation's grade and AI Feedback to students?

From your Student Progress screen, click **View Completed** under either the Student or Activities column

Search student		
Students		
Name †↓	Last Name ↑↓	Options
David	Bartlett	Remove Edit View Completed
Assignment	5	
Lección 2: Ta	lking about College Life - Talking about College Life -	View Completed Edit
Lección 8: Fo	od - Role play: En el restaurante -	View Completed Edit

On the next "**Conversation List**" screen, click **Details** to review the AI Feedback provided by MyConversationTrainer regarding the student's performance.

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onversation List						
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avid Bartlett	Role play: En el restaurante	Not assigned	05/14/2025 - 16:24	Evaluation	60/100 🗚	Details
avid Bartlett	Roleplay: A New Roommate?	Not assigned	05/05/2025 - 16:29	Practice	93/100 제	Details
	Zoom	ed in for cla	arity		Х	
MODE	GRADE			DETAILS		
Evaluation	60/100	AI		Details	1	
Practice	93/100	AI		Details		

You can listen to the student's response to each question and can click the blue **Edit Feedback and Grading** button to manually change any of the AI Feedback or to change the grade. If the assignment has yet to be released to the student it will be noted beneath this button

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Student Name: David			★
Evaluation			Edit Feedback and Grading
This assignment has no	ot been grade	d and submi	tted
Your grade: 60/100			
Feedback and co	omments		
Question 1: ¡Hola! Bienvenid	lo a nuestro resta	aurante. Soy And	drés su mesero hoy,
¿Prefiere una mesa dentro o	fuera?	-	-
Answer: Una mesa fuera.			
► 0:00 / 0:06 <b>—</b>	• :		
Grade: 80/100 - Your response	e 'Una mesa fuera'	is relevant but la	acks a complete sentence with
	your language sk	cills, use a full ser	ntence like 'Prefiero una mesa
a verb. To better demonstrate			

When you are ready to submit an Evaluation so that the student can view the results, click the **blue Al symbol** next to the student's grade on the "Conversation List" screen.



You'll be prompted to then finish submitting the grade. Upon submission, the blue AI button will flip to a **green "Submitted" icon**, indicating the student can now view this assignment's grade and feedback.



Click the **X** symbol in the top right corner to return to the main Student Progress screen. Click the arrow in the top left to return to your MyConversationTrainer Dashboard.

	Return to Progress"	"Student X
	GRADE	DETAILS
	60/100 Submitte	d Details
MY CONVERSA TRAINER	TION	
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Conver	Return to Dashboard sation List	
NAME t	LAST NAME † 1	ASSIGNMENT
David	Bartlett	Role play: En el restaurante

## What is the "RolePlay Trainer" and how can my students and I utilize this feature?

The RolePlay Trainer feature in MyConversationalTrainer allows you or students to create custom practice conversations with a prompt of your choice. The feature works the same in both Instructor and Student accounts.

To use this feature, from your dashboard, click the blue "**RolePlay Trainer**" button.

New Section			
SECTION NAME	SECTION CODE	CREATE/EDIT CONVERSATIONS	STUDENT PROGRESS
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C Enfoques, 6e - MLS Example	25-09-331251		*
Experiencias Beg, 2e - MLS Example	25-05-342040		

Once you click this button, you will be able to set the parameters of the conversation you wish to have by designating:

- **Conversational Context** The default option is a job interview, but you can make the conversation about any topic.
- **Partner Role** The default option is interviewer, but this can be changed to friend, parent, teacher, etc.
- Number of Questions You'll Be Asked Can be any number.

Clicking **"Start Conversation**" generates your custom practice chat with AI generated questions based on the context you have set.

In a job interview	
2	
Partner Role	
Interviewer	
Number of Questions	
5	

At the end of your customized practice chat you will receive immediate feedback and a grade as though completing a pre-created "Practice" conversation.

RolePlay Trainer conversation grades will *not* save to your "Student Progress" section.

### What is the AI Spanish Tutor and how can my students and I utilize this feature?

The AI Spanish Tutor Feature allows you to ask questions relating to the Spanish language and to receive an answer tailored specifically to what you have asked.

This tool is available by clicking the blue "**AI Spanish Tutor**" button on the main Dashboard and is also available for use during all "Practice" and "RolePlay Trainer" activities. The feature works the same in both Instructor and Student accounts.

+ New Section			
SECTION NAME	SECTION CODE	CREATE/EDIT CONVERSATIONS STUDENT PROGRESS	Want more practice ?
🗹 Aventuras, 7e - MLS Example	25-05-455503		RolePlay Trainer
🗹 Dicho y hecho, 11e - MLS Example	25-05-340422		
🗹 Enfoques, 6e - MLS Example	25-09-331251		Questions about the Spanish Language ?
🗹 Experiencias Beg, 2e - MLS Example	25-05-342040		

To use the AI Spanish Tutor, click on the blue "**AI Spanish Tutor**" button, and in the question field, type your question as it relates to Spanish language (i.e. grammar, vocabulary, dialects and similar topics).



## What is an example of a relevant question to ask the Al Spanish Tutor?

An example of a question that will elicit a response from the AI Spanish Tutor would be:

#### "How do I conjugate an irregular -ir verb?"

Asking that question returns the following response, including a closing complementary question to prompt further student inquiry:

#### Conjugating an Irregular Ir Verb

To conjugate an irregular **ir** verb in Spanish, you need to know its specific conjugation pattern, as they do not follow the regular rules. For example, the verb **ir** (to go) has the following present tense conjugations:

- **yo voy** (l go)
- tú vas (you go, informal)
- él/ella/usted va (he/she/you go, formal)
- nosotros/nosotras vamos (we go)
- vosotros/vosotras vais (you all go, informal in Spain)
- ellos/ellas/ustedes van (they/you all go, formal)

### Remember, each irregular verb has its own unique forms, so it's essential to memorize them. Would you like to know about another specific irregular verb?

#### Your AI Spanish tutor

Ask me anything about the Spanish language!	
ow do I conjugate an irregular ir verb?	
Ask	
Answer:	
Conjugating an Irregular Ir Verb	
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## What is an example of a question outside the scope of the AI Spanish Tutor?

An example of a question that will not be answered by the AI Spanish Tutor would be:

"What is a popular cuisine in Peru?"

Asking this question returns the following:

"I'm here to help with Spanish language questions only. Please ask about vocabulary, grammar, or other aspects of the Spanish language!"

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<b>Our Al Spanish tutor</b> sk me anything about the Spanish language!	
What is a popular cuisine in Peru	
	Ask
nswer:	
I'm here to help with Spanish la	anguage questions!
Please ask me anything related to vocabu	lary, grammar, or sentence structure in Spanish.