

## **Introduction to Translation Tools**

## **Translation in the Digital Age**

- Babel Fish Altavista debuted in 1995
- Machine translation (MT) uses automated software to translate source materials
- MT can translate text, images, and voice
- Online dictionaries: look up words in almost any language in seconds!
- Popular multilingual dictionary sites: <u>dictionary.cambridge.org</u>, wordreference.com, <u>linguee.com</u>, <u>signasl.org</u>

## **Digital Translation Tools**

- Websites and apps that automatically translate almost anything
- Browser extensions that translate all or parts of web pages
- Apps let you translate verbal conversations and use your smartphone camera to translate menus, signs, and more!
- <u>Translate.google.com</u> and the <u>Google Translate app</u>
- Other apps: <u>Microsoft Translator</u>, <u>SayHi</u>, <u>Apple Translate</u>
- Browser extensions: <u>Google Translate</u>, <u>Mate Translate</u>, <u>TransOver</u>

## Cons

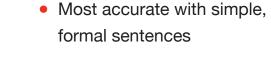
- Not as accurate as human translation
- Not all languages are available
- Privacy concerns: Programs save translations. Do not upload or enter sensitive information.











Many apps are free

Quick & easy-to-use

**Pros** 

