

# The Equipment Handout

## Video Equipment we have tried:

- 8 year old iPads (secondhand from another city department)
- personal mobile phones
- old DSLR Camera (with backflips, oi!)
- Laptops (Mac & pc)
- Desktop with webcam
- Go-Pro

**TAKEAWAY:** Use what you've got! Mobile devices have good cameras.



## Audio equipment we have tried:

- Built in mic on a device
- Mobile device plug-in mic's
- Wireless earbuds
- External laptop mic
- Snowball USB Microphone

**TAKEAWAY:** Get as close to the mic as you can.



## Lighting we have used:

- the sun (outdoors)
- set up facing windows
- paper/curtains over windows
- my daughter's lamp with no shades
- children's kaleidoscope light
- Neewer dimmable LED panels

**TAKEAWAY:** Use the windows and what you've got (think angles).



## Accessories we've tried:

- boxes
- cheap tripods
- decent tripods
- someone holding the device for you
- Tablet/phone tripod mounts
- Tablet/phone stands
- Music stands and painter's tape
- Shoot in a storage closet for audio/lighting control

**TAKEAWAY:** Get your camera at eye level.

## Platforms & Software we've tried:

- OBS (Open Broadcaster Software-free)
- Epic Webcam app (use mobile device as webcam with your computer)
- Adobe Premier Rush (\$10 monthly subscription editing software)
- Facebook
- Instagram
- YouTube
- Zoom

**TAKEAWAY:** Use what you know and let your audience find you.



*...test, fail, and improve!*