So you're going to be a guest on Science...Sort Of



Awesome! We're excited to talk to you. Here are a few things you can do to make sure you sound your best on the show

Make sure your computer is set

Check that you have the latest version of Skype installed on your computer. Microsoft loves to release new versions of Skype regularly, so worth checking ahead of the recording that you don't have a mandatory update waiting for you.

Find a nice quiet room with soft stuff in it

Look for a room where nobody will interrupt you and you can't hear too much of what's going on outside (a little bit is okay). The more soft surfaces – carpets, beds, sofas, pillows – in your room, the less echo will be on the recording. If you want, kick back and sit on your bed while you record. A big soft thing right underneath you is great for audio.

Dig out your favorite pair of headphones

If you weren't sure, the answer is yes – definitely wear headphones for the recording. That way you can hear everybody on the call, but your microphone can only hear you.

Mic yourself up!

If you don't own a microphone specifically for recording, the best microphone you have is probably the one in the headphones that came with your smartphone. It's built into the little plastic piece on one of the wires, and it's surprisingly good!

Whatever mic you use, position it so that you can sit comfortably with it a few inches from your mouth, and so that you won't accidentally bump the mic or brush against the wires during the recording.

Thanks for taking the time to read this! We're looking forward to chatting with you. If you have any questions about recording setup, don't hesitate to reach out.