

Online Christmas Choir: Guide to Recording Singing



1. Please use **Landscape** orientation for your video recording



2. Avoid shaky video by propping up your camera on a table or pile of books



...or improvise another method of holding your camera steady!

3. Make sure there are no distracting background sounds...



e.g. dogs, planes, traffic, wind etc.

4. Make sure your lighting is OK - Please don't Have your back to the sun or a bright window.



5. The best position is level with the camera and straight forwards – we don't want to see up your nose!



6. Listen to the guide track for your voice-type (e.g. soprano&children / alto / tenor / bass) on one device (e.g. a phone or computer). Make sure you are listening using **headphones/ear-buds** so that only you can hear the guide, and it's *not* audible on your recording.

7. Use a second device (e.g. a phone) to record you singing along with the guide track video.

The recording should be just your voice, which is why you must listen to the guide track using headphones, so your mic can't hear it. Please follow the instructions on the guide videos (on the Church YouTube channel) to include claps at the start of your recording

Or: if you don't have access to *two* devices, but if you *do* have an iPhone then there is a free **Virtual Chorister** app



8. See the instructions on www.christchurchware.co.uk on how to send your recorded video to us. Thank you!