

Skype Demo

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Skype

- www.skype.com
- Free software
- Allows text, audio and video connections over the Internet
 - Worldwide
 - Free for computer to computer connections

Hardware and Software

- Free software
- For audio connections
 - Speakers and microphone (or headset with mike)
- For video connections
 - Speakers, mike and/or video camera (webcam)
 - Many video cameras come with microphones inside

Online Tutorials

- www.skype.com
- Select tab for “Use Skype” and follow
 - Free calls over the Internet
 - Check out Skype to Skype FAQs

Skype Options

- Free Internet to Internet calls (audio and video)
- Computer (Skype) to cell phones and landlines
 - Unlimited US & Canada: \$2.95/mth
 - Unlimited Worldwide: \$9.95/ mth
- Other options for calling your cell phone via Skype

Download Software

- www.skype.com
- Choose Download tab
- Select and download PC software
 - Skype Version 4.0

Software Installation

- Double click on the downloaded software to install
 - Follow installation instructions
- During installation, choose a
 - Username
 - Password
 - Note: other people can see your full name and username in a Skype search
- After Installation, Skype will lead you through a checkout of
 - Speakers, microphone, and video camera (do it)

Contacts

- After installation, open Skype and find contacts
- Choose (from the menu) Contact > Search for Skype Users
 - Enter friends name (eg. Barry Jones)
 - Scan search results to find friend
 - Click Add Contact icon
 - Requested contacts can Ok exchange of info

Communicating with Contacts

- Select Contacts tab
- First check out your set up using
 - Echo/Sound Test Service
 - Call them and record a message to be sure your mike/speakers are working with Skype
- Select a Contact and see if online (green icon)
- If online, send a Text Message, or Call (audio only) or Video call

Demo

- Text Messaging
- Audio communications
- Video communications
- Conferencing

Summary

- Skype software is free
- Gives free audio and video access around the world via Internet
- Initial cost is for audio/mike and video camera
- Note: Skype is not for Emergency Use – No 911 service