

Lights, Camera, Legacy: Tips for Filming Your PS&F Video

1. Set Up the Phone Horizontally

Make sure your phone is in landscape (horizontal) mode for a consistent, professional look across all videos.

2. Use a Stable Surface

Place the phone on a steady surface or use a tripod to avoid shaky footage. If holding the phone, keep your hands as still as possible.

3. Choose a Quiet, Well-Lit Location

Aim for a quiet spot with plenty of natural or bright indoor lighting. Face the light source (like a window) to prevent shadows and keep your face well-lit.

4. Position Yourself Centered and Eye-Level

Frame yourself in the middle of the shot, with the camera at eye level. Keep your head and shoulders in view, with a little space above your head.

5. Limit Background Distractions

Keep the background simple, tidy, and free from distractions. Avoid areas with excessive movement or noise.

6. Speak Clearly and with Energy

Aim for a clear, upbeat tone. Speaking with a little extra energy can help keep the video engaging.

7. Mind the Length

Keep responses to around 30 seconds per person. If unsure, record a few practice takes to get comfortable.

8. Check Audio

Do a quick playback to ensure your voice is clear, especially if filming outdoors.

7. Avoid Zooming or Moving While Filming

Use the phone's natural zoom (don't pinch to zoom in) and stay steady in one spot to maintain a consistent focus.

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