

# **Introduction to Skype**

### Goals

 Help your learner understand the use of Skype

## **Suggested Actions**

- **Explain** that Skype is a programme that enables users to make free calls or low cost phone calls over the Internet
- To use Skype you need a headset with a microphone
- Explain that if you have a webcam you can also make video calls to other Skype users, this means you can see the other person on the screen while you talk to them

#### Notes

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#### Note:

Calls to other users of Skype are free (if they are online)

# **Install Skype on your Computer**

### Goals

#### Remember

- Explain...
- Let them try it
- Practice...

## **Suggested Actions**

- Explain that to use Skype you must have Skype downloaded from the Internet and installed on the computer
- Check to see whether the Skype shortcut appears on the desktop

   if not, download Skype

#### **Exercise**

### **Download Skype**

- Ask your learner to go to www.skypecom/download
- Click on 'Get Skype for Widows Desktop' and follow the steps in the wizard
- **Explain** that this is done only once To use Skype you click on the icon on your desktop

## **Resources/Notes**

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# **Create an Account**



#### Goals

 Show your learner how to create a Skype account

# **Suggested Actions**

- Explain that the first time you use
   Skype you will be asked to create an account
- Once the account is created you will just need your Skype name and password to sign in
- Explain that you are now ready to use Skype

#### **Notes**

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# **Adding a Contact**

#### Goals

 Show your learner how to add a contact in Skype

## **Suggested Actions**

- **Explain** that to make a call to someone you need to add them as a contact
- Explain that the quickest way to do it by typing their name in the search box
- **Explain** the different parts of the contacts page

#### **Exercise**

Adding a Contact exercise – see Student Handout

### **Notes**

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# **Making a Call**

### Goals

 Help your learner understand how to make and receive calls in Skype

### **Suggested Actions**

- Explain making a call involves only a few clicks
- **Demonstrate** how to make and end a call
- Let them **practice** it themselves
- **Demonstrate** how to make a video call

### **Resources/Notes**

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