



Online Lessons: A Tutor's Guide

Online lessons are a fantastic, efficient way of teaching. This guide will help ensure that your online lessons are a smooth, enjoyable experience!

1) Ensure you have a strong internet connection.

2) Use a device with a large screen (laptop, iPad, computer).

This is more professional than using a phone, so that you are using a better camera which will be able to capture your whole instrument and yourself in the video, and so that you can see and hear your student more clearly.

3) Create a shareable link and provide login details.

The best option is to create a recurring link, so that you don't have to create a new link every time with new login details.

4) Select appropriate audio settings.

If using Zoom, you can read instructions at

https://support.zoom.com/hc/en/article?id=zm_kb&sysparm_article=KB0059985

under 'How to enable and configure original sound for musicians'.

If using Skype, you can disable noise suppression using the instructions at

<https://support.skype.com/en/faq/FA34863/how-do-i-change-audio-and-video-settings-in-skype>

If using Google Meet, click on Settings, and switch off Noise Cancellation.

Guide students through these audio settings if they are having difficulty.

5) Angle the camera to show your face and your full instrument.

A camera is necessary to have switched on so that your student can view you and observe your playing.

6) Consider the visibility of your materials.

Use a whiteboard, or send over proposed learning materials to RMS in advance for the student to access during the lesson.

7) Contact us with any technical problems or queries.

You can ring us at 0208 243 8501 or email at info@rmslondon.co.uk with any questions about your online lessons.

Happy teaching!

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