

Instructions for recording a student singing “I Was Here” video

I am going to attempt to create a Virtual Choir Video of 5th graders singing the song, “I Was Here”, together as a performance. But to do this, I need a video of each student singing this song.

You will need: **1)** A Computer, iPad or Chrome Book. **2)** Go to the lesson: [How to Create "I Was Here" Video](#). This will take you to a page where the song, “I Was Here”, can be played and words of this song can be printed for use while singing. **3)** You will also need a cell phone in order to record your student while they are singing. Please video the student vertically with the phone.

The student will sing along with the music while the song is being heard on the computer’s speaker. I suggest that the student practices singing the song this way before recording the video. After clicking on the play arrow and before the music begins, you will hear 3 clicks. These clicks are there in order to help me synchronize the start of each singer’s video as I attempt to put all the videos together in a virtual choir.

When ready to record, **start recording** the video and now click the play button for the song. Make sure the volume is turned up to the *loudest* setting in order to hear and record the 3 clicks. There is a 3 second gap after the last click and the music beginning. You now have approximately 15 seconds to turn the song’s volume back down before the student starts singing the words of the song. The song’s volume should be loud enough for the student to hear the song while singing, but not too loud. I want the video to capture more of the student’s voice instead of the voices on the recording.

After the song has ended, you will have to send me the video. Since this video will be over 3 minutes long, it may not go through with email. I have created a web page that uploads the video to my website. Using the camera on your phone, aim it at the **QR code** at the bottom of this page. The camera on your phone will recognize that you want to go to www.dianebrand.net/um.html. When the page is loaded, you can click on the **Browse** (dark green) button and select the **Movie** file on your phone. Then just click the **‘Click Here to Upload Video’** (light green) button and the video will be sent to my website. **NOTE: The video is over 3 mins long, so depending on your internet speed, this will take some time. Approximately 40 seconds from my home. PLEASE don’t leave this page on your phone until you see the Success message.**

Thanks again for taking your time to help your child/my student with this project.

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