VIDEO CAPTURE EQUIPMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Below you will find recommendations for microphones, tripods and wide angles lenses that are compatible with Torsh TALENT and the T Uploader App. While the platform can be used without these devices, these recommendations can improve the experience.

MICROPHONES

Pyle-Pro PDWM96 Lavalier Wireless System | \$41.88

Nolan MIC2 Bluetooth Wireless Microphone | \$64.99

Ampridge MMWA MightyMic WA Bluetooth iPhone Microphone | \$99.99

<u>Audio-Technica PRO 88W-830</u> | \$213.50

Nolan LiveMIC Bluetooth Remote Microphone | \$78.99

JETech Bluetooth Headset H0781 | \$13.99

Plantronics M55 Wireless and Bluetooth Headset | \$19.99

TRIPODS

RIF6 Mini Tripod Universal Octopus Style Mount | \$15.99

AmazonBasics 60-Inch Lightweight Tripod | \$23.49

Accmor Two Way Tripod Mount Adapter | \$6.99

ChargerCity MegaGrab2 Easy-Adjust Smartphone Holder Mount | \$12.95

Accmor Tablet Tripod Adapter | \$9.99

WIDE ANGLE LENSES

<u>Luxsure® Universal 3-in-1 Clip Cell Phone Camera Lens Kit</u> | \$15.87

NEEWER® Red 3-in-1 Camera Lens Kit | \$6.99

VicTsing® Clip Camera Lens Kit | \$7.49

MICROPHONES

External microphones give you the ability to capture higher quality audio on your video recordings. Mobile devices are not designed for the best possible audio recording quality. Therefore, it is best practice to use an external microphone when recording video on your smartphone or tablet.

Pyle-Pro PDWM96 Lavalier Wireless System

DESCRIPTION I This is a low cost wireless microphone that can be used with an adapter to connect to your smartphone or tablet. The device comes with a microphone, transmitter, and receiver. An adapter must also be purchased to connect the microphone to your smartphone or tablet. It also requires one AA battery and one 9V battery (included). The microphone is very easy to use and does not require that you pair it with your device. Simply connect the transmitter and adapter to your device, launch the T Uploader App, and you're good to go.

PARTS | Receiver, Transmitter, Microphone, 9v battery, AA battery

BLUETOOTH | No

RANGE | Microphone works within an approximate 60 foot range.

AUDIO QUALITY I The audio quality works well for the price but does produce moderate muffle and crackle. As part of our test, we transcribed audio recorded with this mic, and we successfully captured 93.7% of the words from the audio.

COST | Microphone - \$13.60; Adapter - \$28.28

WHERE TO BUY | Microphone - Amazon; iPhone/iPad adapter - Amazon

Nolan MIC Bluetooth Wireless Microphone

DESCRIPTION I This is a mid-cost wireless microphone that can connect to your smartphone or tablet via bluetooth. No adapter is necessary since this is a bluetooth microphone. The microphone must be charged and paired with your device before use but once paired, it is very easy to use. Simply connect your device via bluetooth to the microphone, launch the T Uploader App, and audio captured via this mic will sync with video captured with the T Uploader App. FYI: the microphone can only pair with one device at a time.

PARTS | Microphone, USB Charging Cable

BLUETOOTH | Yes

RANGE | Microphone works within an approximate 20 foot range.

AUDIO QUALITY I The microphone has good audio quality with minimal crackle. As part of our test, we transcribed audio recorded with this mic, and we successfully captured 95% of the words from the audio.

COST | \$64.99

WHERE TO BUY | Microphone - Amazon

Ampridge MMWA MightyMic WA Bluetooth iPhone Microphone

DESCRIPTION I This is a mid to high cost wireless microphone that can connect to your smartphone or tablet via bluetooth. No adapter is necessary since this is a bluetooth microphone. The microphone must be charged and paired with your device before use but once paired, it is very easy to use. Simply connect your device via bluetooth to the microphone, launch the T Uploader App, and audio captured via this mic will sync with video captured with the T Uploader App. FYI: the microphone can only pair with one device at a time.

PARTS | Microphone, USB Bluetooth adapter (for use with computer) USB Charging Cable, Manual, Carrying Pouch

BLUETOOTH | Yes

RANGE | Microphone works within an approximate 30 foot range.

AUDIO QUALITY I The microphone has good audio quality although a bit tinny. As part of our test, we transcribed audio recorded with this mic, and we successfully captured 98% of the words from the audio.

COST | \$99.99

WHERE TO BUY | Microphone - Amazon

Audio-Technica PRO 88W-830

DESCRIPTION I This is a great quality higher cost wireless microphone that can be used with an adapter to connect to your smartphone or tablet. The device comes with a microphone and transmitter; an adapter must also be purchased to connect the microphone to your smartphone or tablet. It has an eight hour battery life and comes with an outlet charger to charge the device when needed. The microphone is very easy to use and does not require that you pair it with your device. Simply connect the transmitter and adapter to your device, set your channel on both devices, launch the T Uploader App and you're good to go. In addition, you can connect your microphone to up to four devices.

PARTS | Clothing Clip, Windscreen, monitor earphone, audio cable, mini-to-mini cable, camera shoe adapter, belt clip, touch fastener, receiver, transmitter, microphone.

BLUETOOTH | No

RANGE | Microphone works within a 100 foot range. However, an optional antenna extends the microphone range to up to 300 feet.

AUDIO QUALITY I The audio quality is excellent without any muffling and crackling. As part of our test, we transcribed audio recorded with this mic, and we successfully captured 98.5% of the words from the audio.

COST | Microphone - \$189.00; Adapter - \$24.50

WHERE TO BUY | Microphone - BH Photo; iPhone/iPad/Android adapter - KV Connection

Nolan LiveMIC Bluetooth Remote Microphone

DESCRIPTION I This microphone is similar to the Nolan Microphone2, but it provides some additional features, including gain control buttons and support for external microphones. Like the Microphone2, the Live Microphone2 can quickly pair with a smartphone or tablet via Bluetooth and all captured audio will sync with video in the T Uploader App. The microphone allows for three different mic settings (unidirectional, omnidirectional, and external) and includes an external lapel microphone for superior sound quality.

PARTS | Microphone, USB Charging Cable, External Lapel Microphone2

BLUETOOTH | Yes

RANGE | Microphone works within an approximate 66 foot range.

AUDIO QUALITY I The microphone has good audio quality with minimal crackle. As part of our test, we transcribed audio recorded with this mic, and we successfully captured 96% of the words from the audio.

COST | \$78.99

WHERE TO BUY | Amazon

JETech Bluetooth Headset H0781

DESCRIPTION I The JETech H0781 is an affordable Bluetooth headset that provides respectable audio quality and easily pairs with smartphones and tablets. Quickly pair this budget device with your smartphone or tablet, launch the T Uploader app, and any audio recorded using the JETech H0781 will sync with video in the app. Note that the H0781 is an earpiece headset rather than a lapel microphone, and it must be placed close to the speaker's mouth for optimal recording quality.

PARTS | Headset, USB Charging Cable

BLUETOOTH | Yes

RANGE | Microphone works within an approximate 33 foot range.

AUDIO QUALITY | The microphone has decent audio quality with some crackle. As part of our test, we transcribed audio recorded with this mic, and we successfully captured 92% of the words from the audio.

COST | \$13.99

Plantronics M55 Wireless and Bluetooth Headset

DESCRIPTION I The M55 is a mid-range Bluetooth headset from the popular headset manufacturer Plantronics. The headset's noise-cancelling technology minimizes background noise and hum, and it provides strong vocal clarity. After pairing the device with your smartphone or tablet, simply launch the T Uploader app and any audio recorded using the M55 will sync with video captured by the app. Note that the M55 is an earpiece headset rather than a lapel microphone, and it must be placed close to the speaker's mouth for optimal recording quality.

PARTS | Headset, USB Charging Cable, Car Charging Adapter, Optional Eartips

BLUETOOTH | Yes

RANGE | Microphone works within an approximate 33 foot range.

AUDIO QUALITY I The microphone has good audio quality with minimal crackle. As part of our test, we transcribed audio recorded with this mic, and we successfully captured 92% of the words from the audio.

COST | \$19.99

TRIPODS

Tripods allow you to mount your smartphone or tablet for a stable "hands free" experience while recording video.

RIF6 Mini Tripod Universal Octopus Style Mount

DESCRIPTION I This tripod does not require an adapter and connects directly to your smartphone. It is lightweight, portable and durable and has adjustable legs to mount on a variety of surfaces.

COST | \$15.99

WHERE TO BUY | Amazon

AmazonBasics 60-Inch Lightweight Tripod

DESCRIPTION I This tripod requires an adapter. It is tall enough to stand alone and does not need be mounted on an elevated surface. The tripod extends from 25" to 60." It also has a built in level, so you can adjust the frame correctly.

COST | \$23.49

WHERE TO BUY | Amazon

Accmor Two Way Tripod Mount Adapter

DESCRIPTION IThis adapter makes it easy to mount your smartphone or tablet on any standard tripod, such as the AmazonBasics. The adapter is lightweight and portable and can be quickly attached to your tripod. One side of the adapter is a universal phone holder that is designed to fit almost any smartphone. The other side is a universal tablet holder, which can hold most 7 inch to 10 inch tablets.

COST | \$6.99

WHERE TO BUY | Amazon

ChargerCity MegaGrab2 Easy-Adjust Smartphone Holder Mount

DESCRIPTION I This is not a tripod itself, but an adapter that connects to a tripod to make it compatible with a smartphone.

COST | \$12.95

Accmor Tablet Tripod Adapter

DESCRIPTION I This adapter connects to a tripod to make it compatible with a variety of tablets including the Apple iPad, iPad Mini, Samsung Galaxy, Microsoft Surface and Google Nexus.

COST | \$9.99

WIDE ANGLE LENSES

Wide Angle Lenses allow you to capture a larger view of a room. For whole classroom video capture, a wide angle lens can ensure that the entire room is included in the recording.

Luxsure® Universal 3-in-1 Clip Cell Phone Camera Lens Kit

DESCRIPTION I This kit comes with a fish eye, macro and wide angle lens. The wide angle lens will probably be most useful in capturing a classroom. The wide angle lens expands the viewing angle 4x. A macro lens is used for taking footage of details up close. A fish eye lens also expands the viewing angle but captures round images instead of square ones. The lenses are compatible with most mobile phones and can be detached, so you can take it off when you are not using it.

COST | \$15.87

WHERE TO BUY | Amazon

NEEWER® Red 3-in-1 Camera Lens Kit

DESCRIPTION I This low-cost kit comes with a fish eye, macro and wide angle lens compatible with the iPhone 5 and iPhone 5S. The wide angle lens will probably be most useful in capturing a classroom. The wide angle lens expands the viewing angle. A macro lens is used for taking footage of details up close. A fish eye lens also expands the viewing angle but captures round images instead of square ones. The lenses are portable and can be easily removed.

COST | \$6.99

WHERE TO BUY | Amazon

VicTsing® Clip Camera Lens Kit

DESCRIPTION I This kit comes with a fish eye, macro and wide angle lens compatible with a variety of devices. The wide angle lens will probably be most useful in capturing a classroom. This wide angle lens increases the viewing angle by 49%. A macro lens is used for taking footage of details up close. A fish eye lens also expands the viewing angle but captures round images instead of square ones. The lenses are portable and can be easily removed.

COST | \$7.49