

How to Join a Zoom Meeting

A big advantage of Zoom is that you can join via a computer, tablet, smart phone, older (not so smart) mobile or landline.

Practical things you need to check before you try to join.

If you aim to use a computer – you need to get hold of a cheap head set (earphones and microphone). On older machines this will plug into audio jack socket(s) somewhere on your machine, newer machines will probably have a USB connection. If you have an iMac or Macbook the built in speaker and microphone is usually fine.

Tablets (except those designed mainly for reading ebooks) and smart phones will normally have microphone and speakers. But for best results use the earpieces you use for phone calls / music will be fine.

The other advantage is Zoom is that you don't have to have the App on your phone or the software on your computer to be able to participate.

You'll get an invite, which has all the information that you need in order to join the meeting. It will look something like this.

XXXX is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.
Topic: abcd YYYYYYYYY
Time: Mar 30, 2020 07:00 PM Greenwich Mean Time

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/11111111>

Meeting ID: xyx abc pqr

One tap mobile
+442030512874,,244179236# United Kingdom
+442034815240,,244179236# United Kingdom

Dial by your location
+44 203 051 2874 United Kingdom
+44 203 481 5240 United Kingdom
+44 131 460 1196 United Kingdom

Meeting ID: xyx abc pqr
Find your local number: <https://us04web.zoom.us/u/fCxatSkJK>

From a computer, tablet or smart phone just click on (or touch) the link under 'Join Zoom Meeting' (or paste it into your internet browser). Give it a few seconds – if you download the App you will have more features on the call but it's not essential. You'll see a box that invites you to Join Meeting – click join; it may want you to paste in or type in the Meeting ID which is part of the Invite. Then you're in.

From a phone – dial one of the numbers offered in the invite – you'll be asked to use the keypad to enter the Meeting ID. Then you're in.