Podcasting 101 - Week 1 Homework

Assignment: **Brainstorm and pre-plan two podcast ideas for a 20 - 30 minute long piece.**

Due: **At the start of next class (in one week)**

1. Come up with at least **two** ideas for podcast stories you would like to create. You can use the prompts provided below, or something completely different. Keep in mind the theme of the CJSF program: youth voices.
   1. Tell us a story about your school or community: about something that happened there — recently or in the past — that you want your audience to know about.
   2. What is a moment in history that all students should learn about?
   3. Tell us a story about living as a teenager during the pandemic. What is unique about this time for teens?
   4. What do you want to change about the world? What's a big change that you want to make in the future?
   5. Explain something that teens understand and adults don't.
2. Write down each of your ideas, and then decide how you would want to structure each podcast. For example, is your podcast a conversation as a group? An interview with one person? A story with clips of interviews and sounds, narrated by a host?
3. Decide and write down the types of recordings and sounds you want to include for each idea. For example, do you want to record in a studio or on location? Will there be music? Will you include sounds from a particular place?
4. Pre-planning: think about the feasibility of your two podcast ideas. Answer the following six questions for each idea.
   1. What is my story’s driving question?
   2. What is it NOT about?
   3. What are my dream ingredients / elements?
   4. How will I engage my audience?
   5. How will I ensure the story is fair to the people and ideas it represents?
   6. What will the audience remember when it’s over?

You can either complete the above four tasks in a separate document, or make a copy of this sheet and fill in your answers here.