The Fivefold Path to Podcast Enlightenment

1. Get the software.
   Two of the more popular options are:
   - Audacity: both Windows and Mac
   - Garage Band: Mac only

2. Get the gear.
   Really, you don't need much. Just
   - A laptop / desktop computer
   - a USB microphone (optional)
(3) Know your audience.

In this case your audience is:

- You. (But you before you looked stuff up.)
- It's not me.....it's you.

(4) Respect your time limits.

If the rules say two to three minutes, then limit yourself to three minutes!

(5) Less is more!

It's 180 seconds, man! Don't try to show us what you know. Just keep it to

- Key ideas, stated simply.
- Interesting tidbits, to keep us....well, interested.
And how will this be graded?

The grades will be determined by:

- **The instructor assessment (40%):** Evaluation of your group's podcast by Dr. Epi
- **The peer assessment (30%):** Evaluation of your group's podcast by the rest of the class
- **The individual assessment (15%):** Evaluation of your individual contribution as determined by the group members
- **Participation (15%):** Credit for simply completing the peer and individual assessments

The instructor and peer assessments will in turn be based on:

(1) the informational content of the podcast
(2) the clarity of presentation
(3) the audio production values