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Subject: Optimizing Audio on YouTube  
Posted by [PinkHair](#) on Mon, 14 Dec 2020 02:52:31 GMT  
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Are there any steps to take to optimize audio for low-bitrate output? Specifically, I'm wondering how to achieve the best results with YouTube's 128kbps audio.

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Subject: Re: Optimizing Audio on YouTube  
Posted by [OutOfSpace](#) on Mon, 21 Dec 2020 03:19:53 GMT  
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Last I checked, you can't create more bits more often from whatever source you have. Best suggestion is better playback equipment. If that means you hear too much of the nastiness, many less capable playback equipment. In other words, play around more with what you have and see how far you get, or get better sources to see if that helps.  
FWIW, I can certainly tell the difference between a CD and a LAME ripped version of the same song from that CD, and CD's aren't known for their sonic reputation.

Chris

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Subject: Re: Optimizing Audio on YouTube  
Posted by [Madison](#) on Mon, 21 Dec 2020 03:34:12 GMT  
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This isn't the fanciest solution, but just wearing some decent headphones can make a big difference when it comes to enhancing the audio quality of YouTube videos.

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Subject: Re: Optimizing Audio on YouTube  
Posted by [PinkHair](#) on Fri, 25 Dec 2020 21:58:55 GMT  
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I wasn't super clear in my original post. I'm looking to optimize audio for other people who are listening. I have YouTube channel, and I want my subscribers to have the best audio experience when watching my videos. I'm wondering if there's something I can do from the creator's end.

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Subject: Re: Optimizing Audio on YouTube  
Posted by [positron](#) on Mon, 28 Dec 2020 01:05:10 GMT  
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As far as playback, I got "premium", so I get a 256k rate.  
As far as recording, I would record as high of rate possible and

see if YouTube receives it as is, or the need to lessen the rate.  
Of course, as high fidelity as possible.

cheers and hope this helps.

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Posted by [Madison](#) on Tue, 05 Jan 2021 22:59:21 GMT  
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Another trick I learned is to search for the video like usual, but add HQ or high quality after the search term. Sometimes there will be a better quality upload if you can just find it.  
positron wrote on Sun, 27 December 2020 19:05As far as playback, I got "premium", so I get a 256k rate.

Was it worth the expense? I'm not that familiar with YouTube's paid for stuff.

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Subject: Re: Optimizing Audio on YouTube  
Posted by [positron](#) on Tue, 05 Jan 2021 23:38:43 GMT  
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Thanks for the info Madisond. Much appreciated.

I, personally, found Premium YouTube to be quite worthwhile. But then I used to be a Designer/Manufacture, retired now.

Of course one must consider system/room quality.

cheers and thanks again.

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