Checklist For Field Recording

Before you head out for an interview or sounds for your podcast, make sure you’ve got everything you need. That should include:

- A phone or recording device
  - If you’re using a microphone that requires batteries, bring extras.
  - If you’re recording sounds on your phone, bring a charger.
- Headphones
  - You’ll want to be wearing these as you record.
- Interview questions
- List of sounds to record
  - It’s okay if you don’t get all of these sounds and great if you get even more. This list should help guide you.
- Notebook and writing utensil
  - You or a teammate should quietly take brief notes during an interview or while recording sound, to remember specific moments or points you’d like to return to later.
- Contact information for your interviewee
  - If you’re interviewing someone, make sure you bring their phone number to your meeting place. You should be able to contact them if just in case something comes up.