

Hi Mum and Dad

Sorry it's been so long since I've written, I hope you're both well. How are you feeling Dad? Sarah told me when I spoke to her on Skype the other day that you still have the tube inserted, when will you have that removed? When is your next appointment with the specialist?

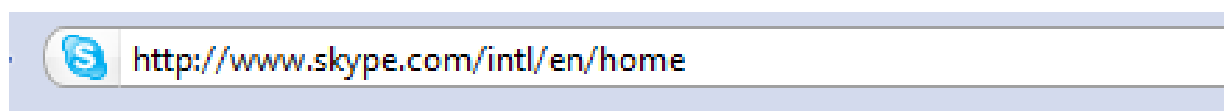
I've heard you've received your telephone bill, the one with the overseas phone calls on. I know how expensive it must be because I've received mine too. I know I promised to keep in touch more often and since you've had that spell in hospital I thought the best thing to do would be to find a cheaper way of keeping in touch. Do you remember me telling you of a way to chat via the computer for free? Skype is a free service which allows you to talk to other Skype users around the world. All you need to do is download the application, register and you can call me for free! Once we get you connected to Skype we can chat more often without the worry of a hefty telephone bill. When you've opened an account with Skype you can add contacts. (Adam, Sarah, Amanda and me)

This means we'll all be able to talk to each other at the same time and if you have a webcam we'll be able to see each other. I'm going to tell you how to connect to Skype and when you've done that we can set up a time to chat each week. You'll be able to speak to the kids too! Ok Dad, here goes.

HOW TO CONNECT TO SKYPE

1. The first thing you need to do is to go to the Skype website, here is the address Dad, just type this into the window at the top of your google browser. <http://www.skype.com/intl/en/home>

Skype website



2. When you're on the web page click on;



3. Then follow the prompts to register for a Skype account
4. You'll need to enter your details – your name, address and email address.

Create an account or sign in

It only takes a minute or two - then you'll be ready to call your friends for free once you've downloaded and installed Skype.

[Sign in](#) [Create an account](#)

First name*

Last name*

Your email address*

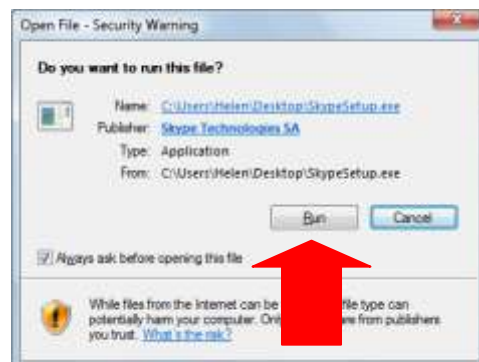
Repeat email*

Note: no-one can see your email address.

5. At the bottom it will ask you to click the green button if you agree to the terms.

I agree - Continue

6. A window will open saying '*opening skype setup*' you need to click on RUN



7. The next step is easy; you just need to select which language you want to run Skype in. It will already be default as English so click on that. Then click on 'I agree-install'.



8. Next, you need to sign in with the username you've just created and that's it!



Look forward to chatting to you and mum online.

With love, Helen x