

Call me old fashioned, but I cannot spend my workday on a laptop screen. I simply cannot be productive without at least one monitor. Usually I prefer two, but I have recently settled very nicely into 34" UltraWide displays as my preference both at home and work.

In either case, given the [current situation](#) we're all in, I have the luxury of working remotely with my teams. This means *lots* of time on video chats.

Coupled with my *strong* preference to not use the 13" laptop screen and webcam, I did a little experiment with a webcam I have had around for years and quickly realized that the webcam you use absolutely makes a difference.





The photo on the left was taken with [Microsoft LifeCam HD-3000](#); what I've used for years and never thought twice about.

The photo on the right was using my newly acquired [Razer Kiyo](#).

I think the difference speaks for itself, and I have to say I don't know why I'm so surprised, but it's remarkable the improvement in quality. I haven't had a chance yet to mess around with the video recording, but the Kiyo supports 720p@60fps, which I'm very excited to play with!

Although now it will be much harder for my kids to conceal themselves from sneaking in during calls as they're stuck home indefinitely.