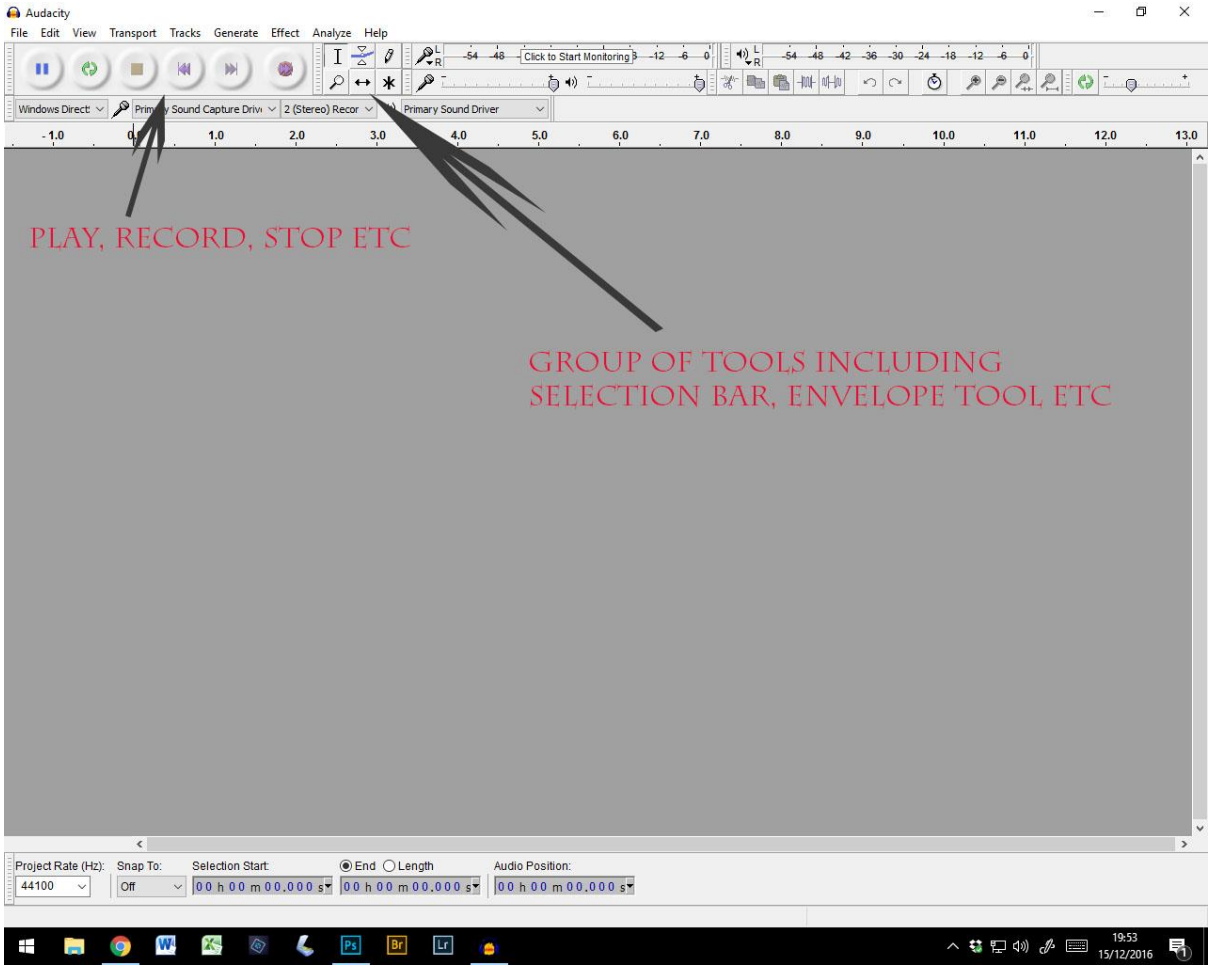
Audacity



Audacity can be downloaded for free: - http://www.audacityteam.org/download/Software

Issues: - Audacity limits the files it can process to: AIFF, AU, FLAC, MP2, MP3, OGG Vorbis and WAV. Use software like “Wave Pad sound editor” to convert via Ripping action.

Tools (essential ones): -

Selection.

Envelope.

Time Shift.

Track Tools.

Name

Mute

Solo

Close up Track

Effects (Key ones).

Amplify, changes volume of the selection.

Fade In & Fade out, what it says.

Crossfade, use to select parts of two tracks that are required to fade out (upper track) and in (lower track).

Leveler, reduces dynamic range to make tracks easier to hear in noisy environments and with competing tracks.

Compressor, used to reduce dynamic range prior to amplification in order to avoid clipping in the track.

Normalise, main use is to synchronise the peaks of several tracks.

Noise Reduction, used to remove a constant background noise.

Export & Save.

Work must be Saved as a 'Project' and Exported as an Mp3 file.