- 1 Thank you, Brian, and good afternoon, everyone.
- 2 Fiscal 2025 was a year of transition in which we reshaped Zedge
- 3 to be more efficient, financially disciplined, and positioned it for
- 4 scalable and sustainable innovation.
- 5 During the year, we completed a major restructuring aimed at
- 6 positioning Zedge for sustainable, profitable growth. This
- 7 included closing operations in Norway and a targeted rightsizing
- 8 of GuruShots. These actions, when combined with the
- 9 completion of the GuruShots retention program that was
- implemented at the time of the acquisition in 2022, are expected
- to reduce our gross annualized expenses by about \$4 million.
- We also incurred approximately \$1.5 million in cash
- restructuring costs and \$1 million in non-cash charges, which Yi
- will discuss in more detail shortly. Fortunately, as we enter FY
- '26 the vast majority of these charges and cash expenditures are
- behind us providing greater operating flexibility. This leaner
- cost base enables us to reinvest selectively in initiatives that
- offer the highest return potential, focusing on accelerating
- 19 growth, improving margins, and enhancing free cash flow
- 20 generation.
- Operationally, business performance was mixed in Q4. Our
- 22 Zedge Marketplace, which includes Zedge Premium,
- subscriptions, and advertising, performed well, while GuruShots
- 24 appears to be plateauing. Separately, subscription revenue
- increased 21 percent year over year, and we ended the year at

- record levels with nearly one million active subscribers, an
- increase of 47 percent compared with Q4 of fiscal 2024. We also
- saw continued growth in Zedge Premium's GTV.
- 29 Fourth quarter Zedge Marketplace ad revenue grew year over
- year, but total ad revenue for the Company was softer than
- expected due to a decline at Emojipedia from the competitive
- impact of AI search. Going into Q1, Google introduced a change
- to its search engine results page whereby users can now directly
- copy/paste emojis from the search page. Although Emojipedia
- still ranks 1st or 2nd across search, Google's change is diverting
- traffic away from the site. We are actively testing strategies to
- mitigate this outcome and strengthen Emojipedia's performance.
- We also made advances with DataSeeds.AI, our platform for
- providing rights-cleared, ethically sourced datasets for AI
- training. Since launching earlier this year, DataSeeds has
- secured contracts from several leading AI customers,
- underscoring the value and credibility of our approach. What
- makes DataSeeds uniquely positioned for success is our
- community of skilled photographers and graphic artists.
- Collectively this group has produced a large and diverse image
- library of close to 30 million assets, which can be licensed for
- 47 AI training. We can also leverage our creator community to
- 48 generate customized, on-demand datasets tailored to specific
- 49 customer requirements. By launching themed GuruShots
- 50 competitions aligned with client objectives, we can rapidly
- produce a critical mass of high-quality, rights-cleared data that

- 52 directly supports each customer's unique AI training needs. In
- parallel, we have started building the DataSeeds Production
- Cloud, a managed global production network that mobilizes
- domain experts, including professional photographers,
- videographers and, graphic artists, to deliver highly unique and
- specific datasets at scale that don't lend themselves to photo
- 58 competitions. This creates a scalable and differentiated
- 59 advantage for Dataseeds in this fast emerging and explosive
- 60 market.
- Turning to capital allocation, we repurchased approximately
- 640,000 shares in the fourth quarter and a total of 1.3 million
- shares for the full year, using cash generated from operations.
- For the fourth quarter, our more aggressive share repurchases,
- along with restructuring and retention-related payouts,
- temporarily reduced our cash position. We ended the year with
- approximately \$19 million in cash and cash equivalents,
- reflecting our decision to strategically deploy capital where we
- see the greatest long-term value. These actions also underscore
- our confidence that Zedge's intrinsic value is not fully reflected
- in its current share price. In fact, following the end of the
- quarter, we also announced the initiation of our first quarterly
- dividend of 1.6 cents per share, further reinforcing our
- confidence in the strength of the company's cash flow
- generation and balance sheet. The share repurchase and dividend
- reflect a disciplined, balanced capital allocation strategy focused
- on returning value to shareholders while preserving the

- 78 flexibility to invest in high-impact innovation and future growth
- 79 opportunities.
- Fiscal 2026 is going to be a year where we invest in growth and
- innovation. Our strategy is centered around five key areas of
- 82 focus.
- First, expand and diversify our revenue base. For our core
- products, we plan to continue to innovate new features and
- optimize our monetization strategies. Late in fiscal 2025, we
- se integrated audio AI capabilities into the pAInt suite, and we
- intend to further expand those creative tools in 2026. We are
- also evaluating how best to evolve GuruShots. One of the
- biggest questions we are working through is do we focus on
- making the game more engaging or do we more closely couple it
- 91 with DataSeeds as a massive content acquisition platform or
- both? It's too early to commit to a specific direction but it's fair
- to say that we are monitoring performance and opportunity
- 94 closely.
- 95 Second, is to accelerate product innovation. Our Product
- 96 Innovation Team has adopted a model that launches test
- 97 marketing campaigns to measure interest before writing one line
- of code and then capitalizes on the benefits that AI, vibe coding
- and automations offer to accelerate the development of the new
- potential winners. Syncat, our recently introduced app that turns
- still photos into fun and potentially viral video clips, was the
- first example of this new strategy. This approach allows us to

- build smaller, more focused products rapidly, test them against
- defined KPIs, and scale those that show promise. We call these
- early-stage launches "alphas," and we expect to introduce at
- least six new alphas in fiscal 2026 under this framework.
- 107 Third, scale Tapedeck and DataSeeds.AI. In September, we
- launched Tapedeck in the US on iOS. Tapedeck is a music
- platform dedicated to indie artists and designed to allow them to
- make a living from their music by offering transparency and
- fairness to them. The Tapedeck pilot started with approximately
- five hundred thousand tracks and allows artists, labels, and
- distributors to set their own pricing and keep 80 percent of each
- sale or stream. In addition, it allows their fans the ability to pay
- extra or tip their favorite artists directly. Although it's too early
- to comment about performance, our goal is to expand to
- Android, web, and international markets during fiscal 2026.
- Similar to all Zedge products, Tapedeck's expansion will be tied
- to performance, and we plan to refine its creator tools and
- explore additional monetization models. For DataSeeds, our
- priorities center on expanding the creator ecosystem, expanding
- the pipeline of qualified enterprise prospects, and converting
- prospects into customers. Our focus remains on delivering
- bespoke, rights-cleared, and ethically sourced datasets that meet
- the rigorous standards and evolving needs of the AI industry.
- Fourth is improving operational efficiency. Fiscal 2026 will
- begin to show the full benefit of our restructuring efforts. We'll
- continue to reallocate resources to the most attractive

- opportunities, improve process automation through the
- implementation of AI across the Company, and reinvest savings
- into projects with measurable returns.
- And fifth, execute a balanced capital allocation strategy. We will
- continue returning capital to shareholders through buybacks and
- dividends, while maintaining the flexibility to invest in
- initiatives that enhance our long-term value.
- In summary, we enter fiscal 2026 with positive momentum. We
- have three early-stage products DataSeeds, Tapedeck and
- Syncat, that are evolving, and the completed restructuring
- positions us for improved cash flow and profitability. Combined
- with our innovation pipeline, these initiatives give us confidence
- that fiscal 2026 will mark the next stage in Zedge's evolution,
- one which is focused, creative, and financially disciplined. Now
- 143 I'll turn the call over to Yi.
- 144 Thank you, Jonathan.
- Total revenue for the fourth quarter was 7.5 million dollars,
- down 1.5 percent from last year. There were a couple of items to
- note here. First, Zedge Marketplace revenue was up mid single
- digits for the quarter, and would have performed even better if it
- were not for a one-time 144 thousand dollar benefit related to
- Zedge Premium in the year-ago quarter. Also offsetting growth
- at Zedge marketplace was an 11% decline at Emojipedia,
- consistent with Jonathan's earlier comments, and the expected
- 153 39 percent year-over-year drop at GuruShots, although

- sequentially, the business was down less than 25 thousand
- dollars, showing stabilization.
- Advertising revenue was up slightly for the quarter, as growth in
- the Zedge Marketplace was offset by lower ad revenue at
- Emojipedia. Zedge Plus Subscription revenue increased 21
- percent year over year, and our net active subscriber base grew
- 47 percent, reaching nearly one million subscribers. We
- 161 continue to optimize our subscription plans and are seeing the
- benefits of those changes.
- Deferred revenue, which primarily represents subscription-
- related revenue, reached 5.4 million dollars, up 10 percent
- sequentially and 73 percent year over year. This is an important
- metric, as it reflects future revenue that carries essentially 100
- percent gross margin.
- Zedge Premium G T V grew 7 percent from the year-ago
- quarter, and ARPMAU increased 17 percent, continuing the
- shift toward higher-value users and improved monetization
- 171 efficiency.
- 172 As noted earlier, GuruShots, which is reported under "digital
- goods and services revenue," remained a challenge, down 39
- percent year over year. As part of our cost optimization
- initiatives, we significantly reduced user acquisition spending
- for GuruShots while we evaluate the best path forward. These
- revenue declines were expected, and encouragingly, the year-
- over-year rate of decline improved by 600 basis points. We

- expect to begin lapping some of these weaker comparisons in
- 180 fiscal 2026.
- 181 Cost of revenue was 6.4 percent, roughly flat year over year in
- 182 absolute dollars.
- SG&A increased about 1 percent to 6.9 million dollars for the
- quarter. This reflects higher paid user acquisition where we are
- achieving strong returns, and approximately 400 thousand
- dollars in reinvestment from restructuring savings into
- consulting, professional services, and product development to
- support the ramp of DataSeeds dot AI and Tapedeck, which
- partially offset restructuring savings.
- We also recorded 0.6 million dollars in restructuring charges in
- connection with the actions announced in late January and early
- 193 February, compared to no restructuring or asset impairment
- 194 charges last year.

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- As a result, GAAP loss from operations was 0.7 million dollars,
- compared to a loss of 0.1 million dollars last year, primarily due
- to those restructuring costs and growth investments. GAAP net
- loss and E P S were 0.6 million dollars and negative 1 cent,
- compared to breakeven results last year.

- 200 On a non-GAAP basis, net income was 0.1 million dollars and E
- P S was zero cents, compared to 0.3 million dollars and 2 cents
- 202 last year.
- 203 Cash flow from operations was 0.7 million dollars, and free cash
- flow was 0.5 million dollars for the quarter. As Jonathan
- 205 mentioned, cash payments related to the restructuring and
- retention bonuses tied to our 2022 acquisition of GuruShots
- reduced free cash flow by about 600 thousand dollars in the
- quarter and 1.5 million dollars for the year. These payments are
- 209 now complete and will not impact results in fiscal 2026.
- 210 Adjusted EBITDA for the quarter was 0.3 million dollars.
- From a liquidity perspective, we ended the year with 18.6
- 212 million dollars in cash and cash equivalents and no debt. The
- sequential decrease reflects our repurchase of approximately 640
- thousand shares during the quarter and nearly 1.3 million shares
- for the year. As of mid-October, about 600 thousand dollars
- remains available under our current buyback authorization.
- 217 Thank you for listening to our fourth quarter earnings call. We
- look forward to updating you again soon when we report results
- 219 for the first quarter of fiscal 2026.
- Operator, please open the line for questions.