




Introduction to Windows Movie Maker



Importing Pictures/Movies/Music into your Collection

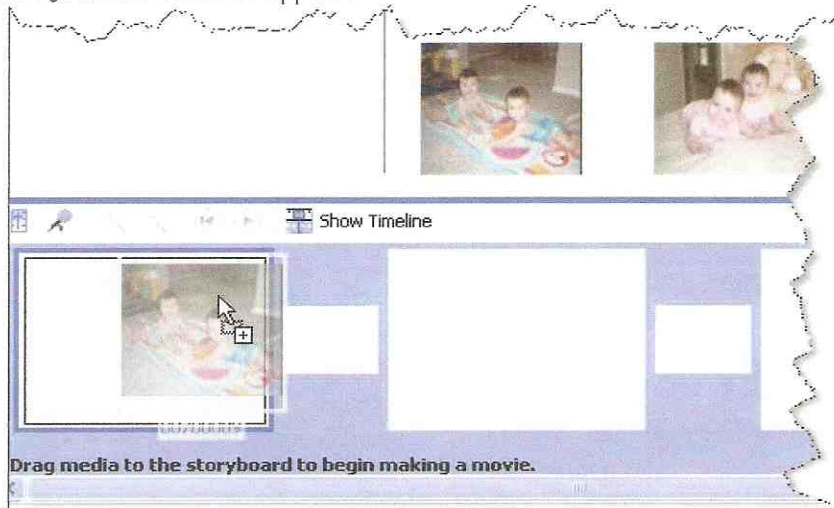
1. Open *Windows Movie Maker*.
2. Click on the **Tasks** Button. 
3. Click on **Import pictures**.
4. Browse your computer to locate the images you want to put into your movie.
5. Click on **Import video**.
6. Browse your computer to locate the movies you want to put into your movie.
7. Click on **Import audio or music**.
8. Browse your computer to locate the audio you want to put into your movie.



*** This process will create a "holding tank" of media to go into your movie. Doing this before starting your movie will save you time later.***
 *** Make sure to Save your Movie File. This is your working file that you can come back and edit later***

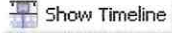
Inserting Pictures/Movies into your Storyboard

1. Click and drag your pictures and movies into the empty boxes in the Storyboard below. Put them in the order you want them to appear.



2. You can reorder the pictures and videos by clicking on them in the Storyboard and dragging them to the desired location.
3. You can remove media from the Storyboard by clicking on it and hitting the Delete key. (This will not remove them from your "holding tank.")

Inserting Music into your Storyboard

1. Click the **Show Timeline** Button. 
2. Click and drag the audio files you want onto the audio portion of the Storyboard.

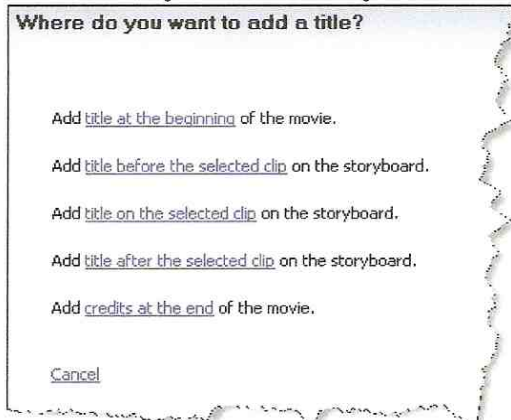
3. Hover over the ends of the audio clips. Red arrows will appear that will allow you to move and clip the audio file as necessary.



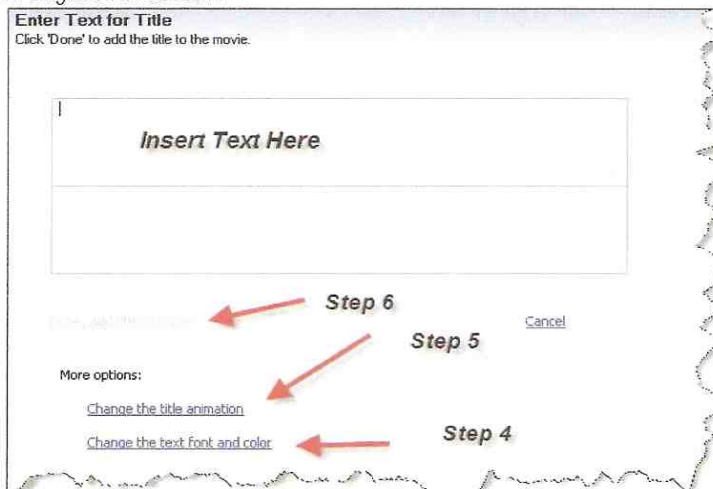
4. Use the Play button to preview your video.

Adding Titles and Credits

1. Click on Make title or credits.
2. Select where you want to add your title/credits.



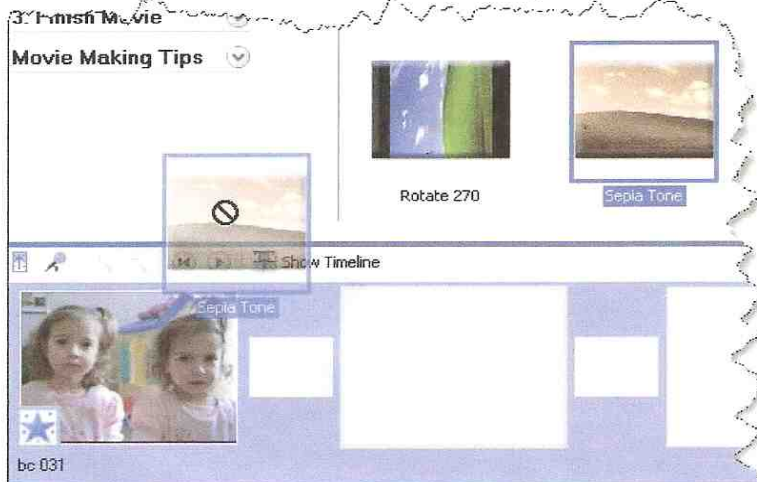
3. Type your text.
4. Select your Font style and colour.



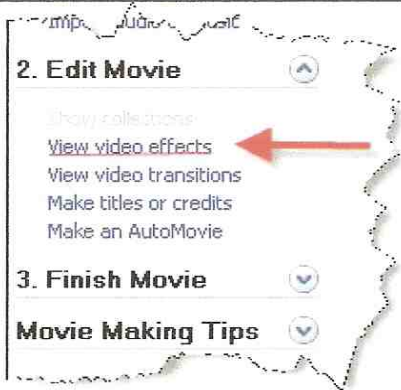
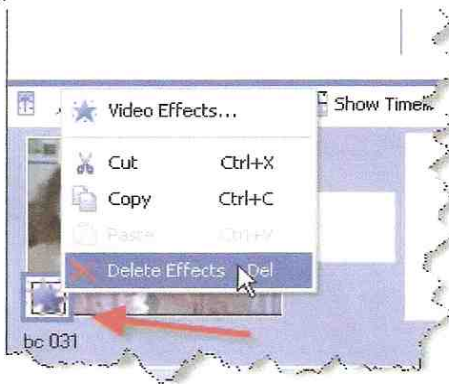
5. Select your text animation.
6. Click Done, add title to movie.

Adding Video Effects

1. Click on View video effects.
2. Preview each effect by clicking on it.
3. Once you have selected the desired effect, click and drag it onto the video clip you wish to apply it to. (Please note you can have more than one effect on a clip).



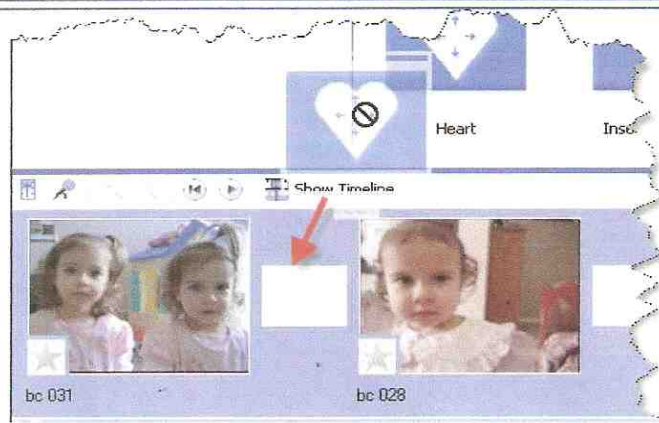
4. To delete an effect you have applied, right click on the star in the bottom left of the video clip, and select Delete Effect.



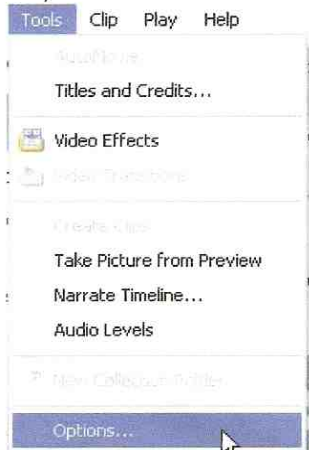
Adding Video Transitions

1. Click on View video transitions.
2. Preview each effect by clicking on it.
3. Once you have selected the desired transition, click and drag it onto the box between video clips. (Please note you can have the same or different transitions throughout).





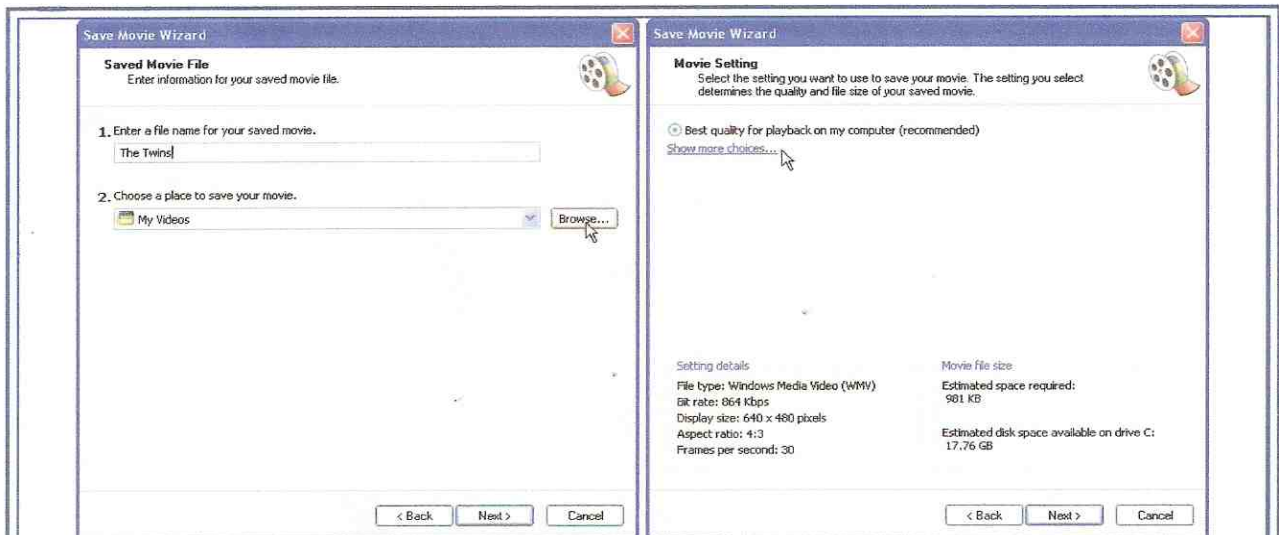
4. If you want to change the length of time for your transition, select the Tools menu and click on Options.



Finishing your Movie

1. Once your video looks the way you want, you are ready to export it as a movie file.
2. Click on *Save to my computer* under Finish Movie in your Task pane.
3. A new window will appear. Give your movie file a title and choose where you want to save it.





4. On the second screen you can change some saving options or keep the default settings.
5. Once the process is complete, your movie will be saved as a WMV file (which can be viewed in Windows Media Player).

Ideas for Classroom integration

- Display Art projects.
- Class electronic yearbook slideshow.
- Science movie of the growth of plants.
- A documentary.
- A newscast.
- Clay stop animation movie.
- Etc, etc, etc The possibilities are endless.

Resources

- Download: <http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/downloads/updates/moviemaker2.msp>
- Tutorials: <http://www.atomiclearning.com/moviemaker2>
- Instructions and ideas: <http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/using/moviemaker/default.msp>