

Making a Digital Story using Windows Movie Maker

Windows Movie Maker can be downloaded for free at

<http://windows.microsoft.com/en-au/windows/get-movie-maker-download>

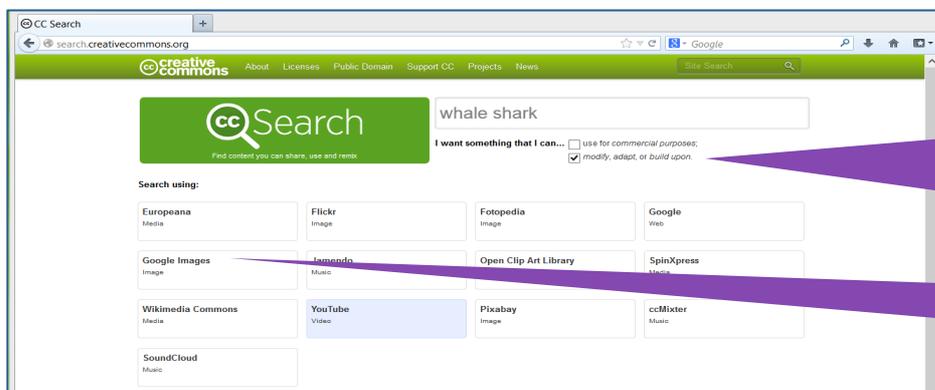
In following these instructions, we assume that you have already watched the video above and completed a Storyboard (plan) including making decisions about the images you are going to use/capture and a narration. You are now to put your Digital Story together using Windows Movie Maker.

Step 1: Gather images

Gather your own images using your own device (e.g. digital camera, iPhone, iPad) or download images from the internet using Creative Commons website <http://search.creativecommons.org/>

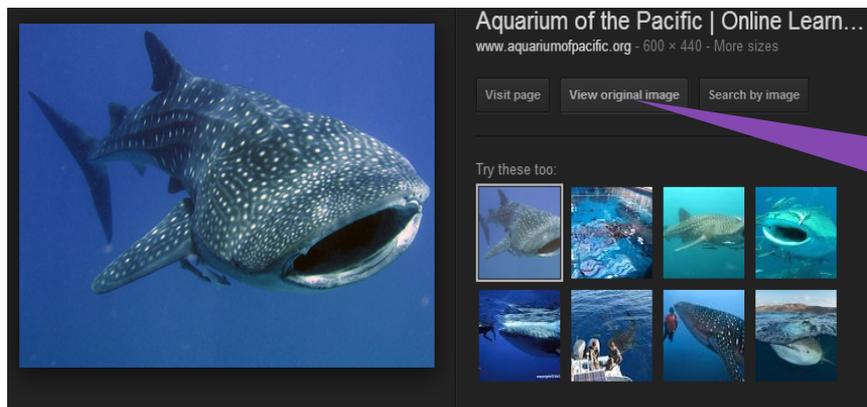
DOWNLOADING PRE-EXISTING STILL IMAGES

To find and download static/still images that are have a Creative Commons Licence that can be shared, remixed or reused go to the “Creative Commons Australia” website at <http://search.creativecommons.org/> and do the following (these should be referenced so see video on Digital Scholarship):

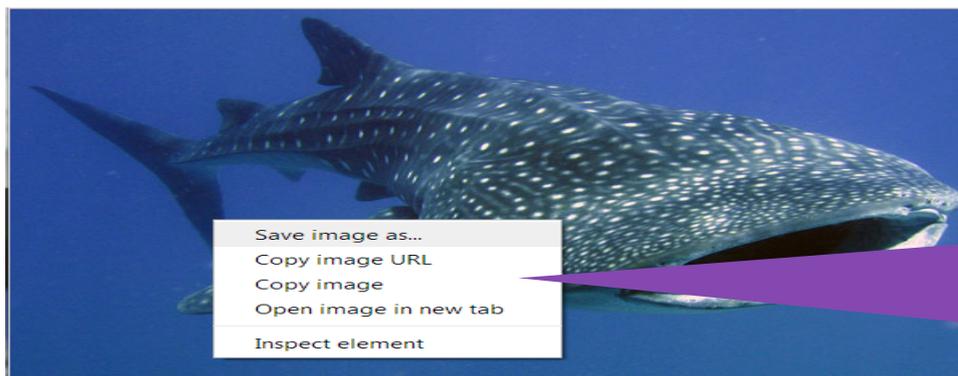


Type-in your search terms and tick the “modify, adapt, or build upon” box

Select Google Images

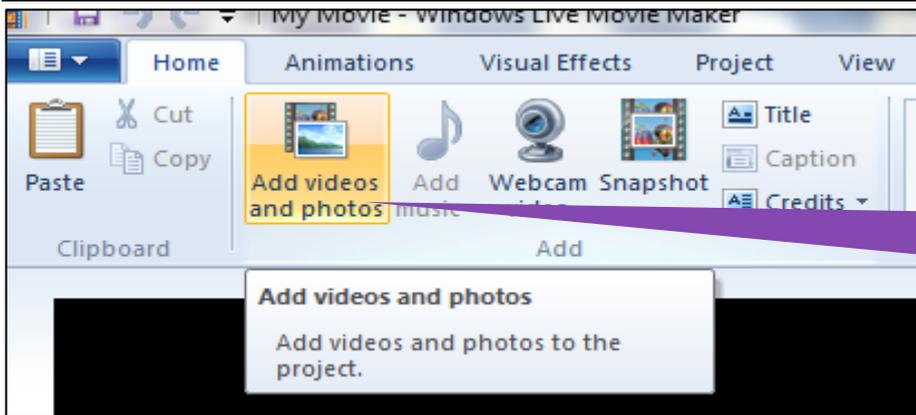


Select image and click “view original image”



Right click on image and select “Save image as”. Save as jpeg file to desktop

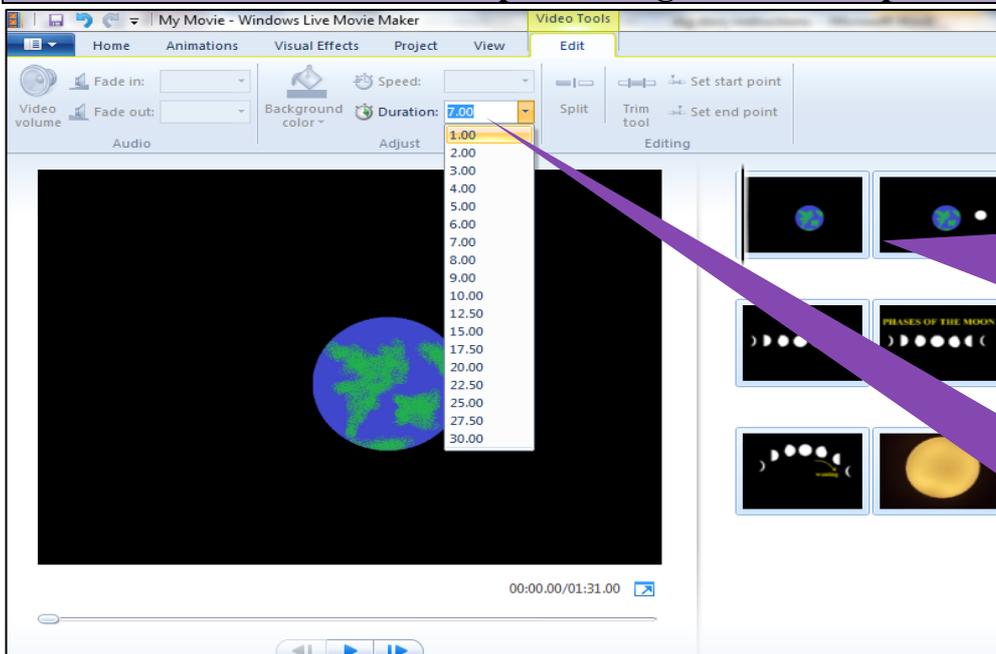
Step 2: Import still images



Click “Add videos and photos” and select the images you want to import

Once imported, images can be moved and ordered by selecting and dragging an image into place.

Step 3: Change the frame speed



Highlight the images that you want to change the speed of by clicking on them while holding down on the “control” keyboard button

Select “Edit” under the Video Tools tab and change the duration of the selected images

Images that are part of a Digital Story usually play at approximately 10-15 seconds each. Adjust the frame speed of images to suit your narration. Some images may need to have a longer duration if you have more to say about them.

Step 4: Edit Images

Adding text (titles, captions, credits)

From the “Home” tab you can add titles and credits to your Digital Story. You can also select images that you wish to add text/captions to.

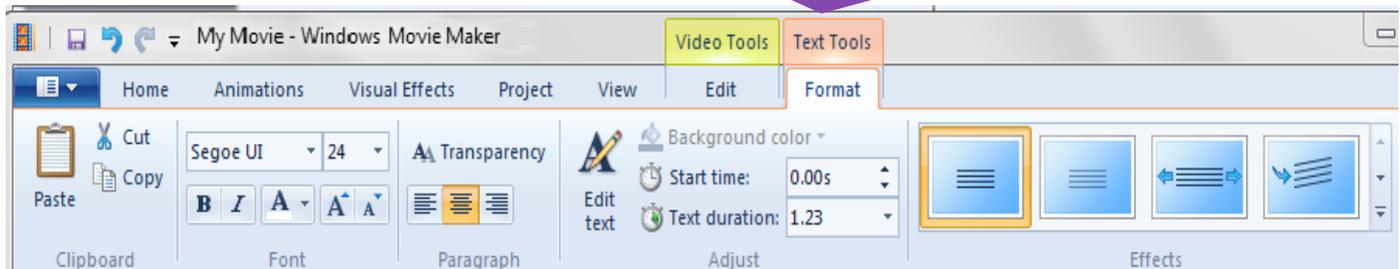


Add a title to your Digital Story by selecting where you want the title to appear and clicking "Title"

Add text to an image by selecting the image and clicking "Caption"

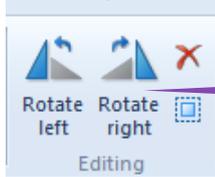
Add credits to the end of your Digital Story by selecting "Credits"

Edit text (e.g. duration of text, font, size) using the Text Tools in the "Format" tab



Adding effects

Rotate your video/image:

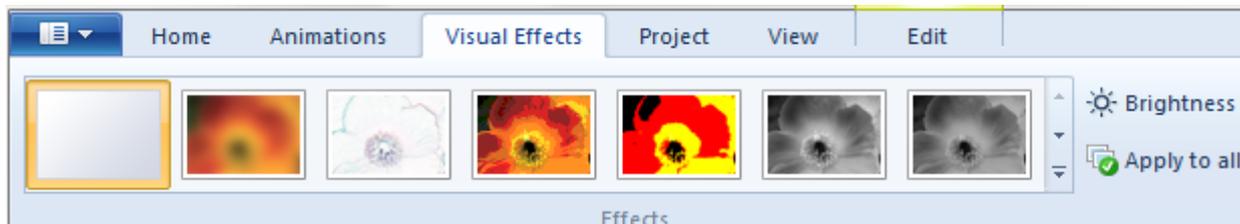


Click on the image you want to rotate and select "Rotate left" or "Rotate right" from the "Home" tab

Add visual effects:

There are a range of effects that can be added to your images that distort colour, shape and movement.

Effects can be found in the "Visual Effects" tab. To add an effect, select the image you want to add the effect to and click on the effect.



Step 5: Record a narration



Select "Record narration" from the Home tab

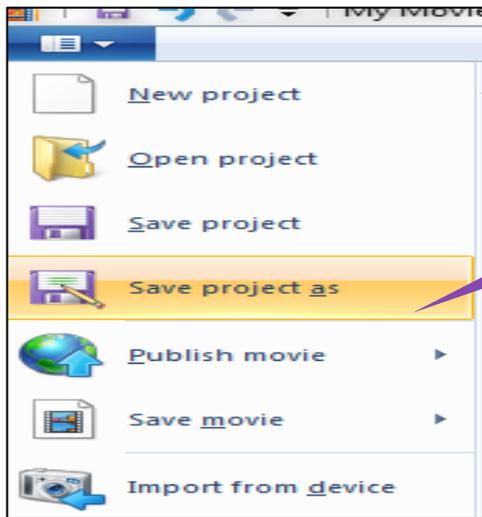


Select "Record" and speak into the microphone. Select "Stop" when you are finished recording and save your narration

Note: You may find that the narration does not fit perfectly with the images. Instead of re-recording your narration, you can go back and adjust your image duration speed to match your narration.

Step 6: Save the file

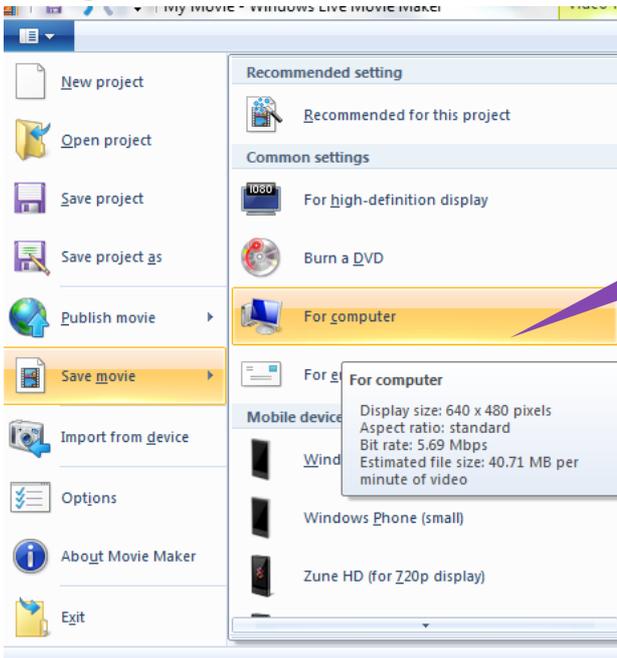
Saving the file as a movie maker project:



Select "Save project as" to save your media as a movie maker project to your computer

Note: Your Digital Story has not been saved as a video file yet and will not play on other computers until you save it as a .wmv file

Saving the file as a .wmv file:



Select "Save movie" and "For computer" to save the .wmv file to your computer

➤ Your .wmv file can now be copied to a thumb drive or uploaded to the internet.