

DO IT YOURSELF

Start Movie Maker. To start Movie Maker, click **Start**, point to **All Programs**, and then click **Windows Movie Maker**.

1**Build a Storyboard**

Movie Maker automatically divides your video into segments to make it easier to drag and drop the parts you want onto the storyboard where you put your movie together. Be sure that you have your pictures ready in your folder named "Pictures".

To build a storyboard:

1. Import pictures to your PC from the "Pictures" folder. You'll see your clips in the Collections view.
2. Click on each picture to see how it looks in the preview window.
3. Once you've decided which ones you want to put in your movie, click and drag the clips to the Storyboard in the order in which you'd like them to appear in your final movie

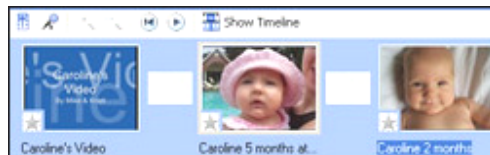
The Storyboard

Figure 1

4. To rearrange your clips on the storyboard, just drag and drop them to a different location.

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To add transitions: A video transition controls how your movie plays from one video clip or picture to the next.

1. In the Movie Task pane, click on **View video transitions**. Double click on each transition to see how it looks in the preview.
2. Drag a video transition and drop it between two pictures on the storyboard.

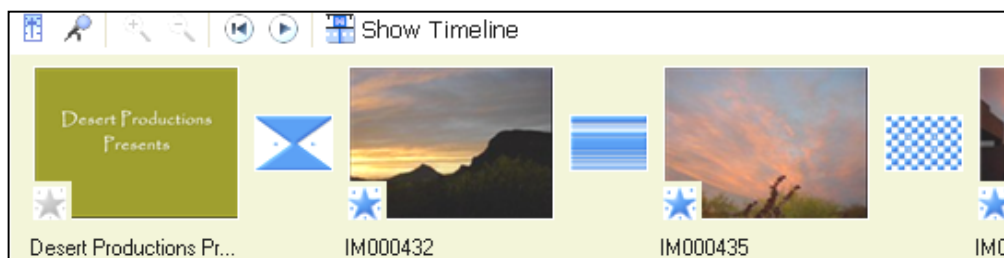


Figure 2

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To add Video Effects: Video effects let you add special effects to your movie. For example, you might have video that you captured that you want to age, so it has a classic, old-time movie look. You can add one of the Film Age video effects to a video clip or picture.

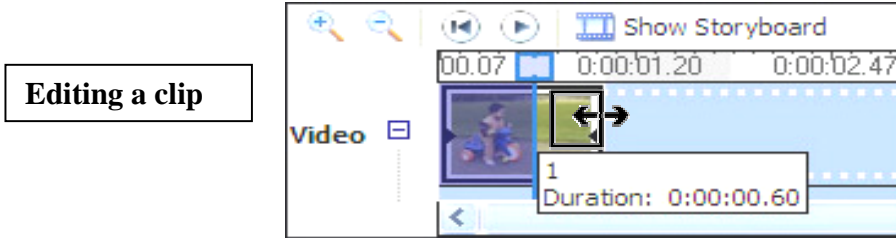
1. In the Movie Task pane, click on **View video Effects**. Double click on each effect to see how it looks in the preview.
2. Drag a video effect and drop it on the picture on the storyboard.

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To edit clips:

1. In the Timeline view, click on the clip you'd like to trim.

2. In the Preview window, drag the scroll bar slowly and watch as the video progresses.
3. Stop at the point where you want to trim the clip.
4. On the Clip menu, click Set Start Trim Point.
5. Now continue to drag the progress indicator until you reach the desired end point of your clip.

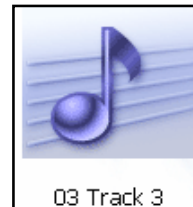


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Add Audio

A soundtrack can really draw your audience in and add fun to your home movies. Just import your favorite clips and then drag them to the timeline.

1. In the Task pane, click on Import audio or music.
2. Navigate to the music track you'd like to add to your movie.
3. Click on Import.
4. The music track will appear in your Collection view.
5. Click on Show Timeline button in the Storyboard section of your screen.
6. Drag your music track to the Audio/Music level of the Timeline.



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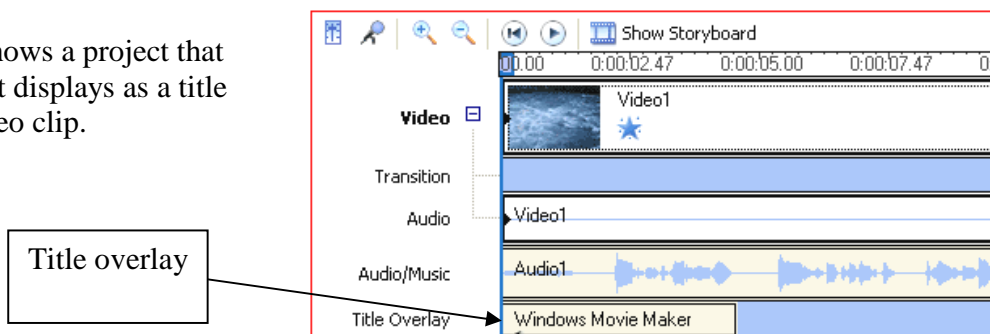
Adding titles and credits

Titles and credits let you enhance your movie by adding text-based information to your movie. You can add whatever text you want, but you may want to include information such as the title of your movie, your name, the date, and so forth.

You can add a title to various places in your movie: at the beginning or end of a movie, before or after a clip, or overlaying a clip. The title plays for the specified amount of time, and then the video clip or picture displays in your movie.

*The Figures 1-2 shows projects that contain a title that displays before a video clip.

This illustration shows a project that contains a title that displays as a title overlay over a video clip.



Note: If you move or rename one or more of the clips and **X** will appear, where it's located the picture. To look for the clip, double click on the clip, a dialog box will appear telling you that that **...file cannot be found. Would you like to browse for it?** You click on **Yes** and then browse for the file and open it.

