

Editing with Windows Movie Maker

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Windows Movie Maker is Microsoft's video editor. The program's main features appear in separate panes, usually located on the left side of the interface. The Tasks pane will become your friend, as you edit your video.

CAPTURING AND IMPORTING

To capture video from a device (a camera)

1. Connect the camera (or deck) to the computer. *This varies by computer setup?*
2. In **Tasks** pane, choose "**Capture from video device**" or to go **File → Capture Video**.
3. Select Source: PC's with firewire should recognize the device (?)
4. Name your file.
5. Go to **Browse for Destination → My Videos** and create a new folder (?)
6. Video Setting: Recommend Digital Device Format (DV-AVI)
7. Choose **Capture Entire Tape** or **Capture Manually**
8. **Show Preview During Capture?** Yes. Check it.
9. Use **Wizard** to capture (**Create clips for video files? I suggest leaving it unchecked**)
10. Finish

To Import a file (from a CD or hard drive)

1. You should have already copied the file onto the hard drive into **My Videos**
2. In Moviemaker:
 - a. Go to **File → import into collections**
 - b. Browse for file name in **My Videos** folder and select (*what?*)
 - c. Choose Clip Options. (**Create clips for video files? I suggest leaving it unchecked**)
 - d. Click Import.
 - e. Rename collections folder if desired (This assumes the name of imported clip).

ORGANIZING CLIPS

Logging or "Splitting" your master clip

1. Start from beginning of master clip.
2. Play clip to point where you want to make a "**segment**".
3. Click on the **Split Clip** icon OR go to **Clip → split**.
4. Rename the previous clip to identify it.
5. Master clip is now shorter. Repeat until all sources are renamed.

EDITING

Editing your video

1. Drag a clip into the timeline.
2. Play clip to find starting and ending points.
3. Set **IN point** by clicking **CTRL + SHIFT + I** or go to **Clip → set start trim point**.

4. Set **OUT point** by clicking **CTRL + SHIFT + O** or go to **Clip → set end trim point**
5. Drag and drop to rearrange clips.
6. To add transitions, go to **Task pane → Edit Movie → View Video Transitions**. Drag and drop desired transitions to spot in the timeline.
7. To add titles, go to **Task pane → Edit Movie → Make titles or credits**. Follow wizard and preview. Drag on title or credit on top of the desired clip or between/after clips.
8. You can also add music, narration, graphic files, video effects, etc.

Making several movies from one source

1. Go to **Select File --> New Project**.
2. In Menu Bar drop down Collections, choose which video set to use.
3. Edit another movie.

OUTPUT

Making a "Master" on video tape

You'll need a high quality archive copy that can be used for anything later:
Different video formats (PAL, Secam, and other streaming files)
VHS duplicates, DVD creation.

1. Go to the **Task pane --> Finish Movie**.
2. Send To DV Camera.
3. Put re-recordable DV tape in camera or deck and cue to place for recording to start.
4. Click **Next**.
5. Click **Finish** when recording is done.

Making a video file for use on a CD or on the internet

1. Under Task Pane, click **Finish Movie**.
2. Save to My Computer.
3. Choose a destination folder (or create one)
4. Click **Show More Choices**.
5. Select **Other Settings**
6. In the drop-down menu, go to **High Quality Video Large**.
7. Click **Next**.
8. Burn onto CD or use **Helix Producer** to make RealMedia Streaming files.