



Introduction to Photo Story 3



Photo Story 3 for Windows helps you to create exciting video stories by adding panning and zooming effects to your pictures. Use Photo Story to record narration to your pictures, add titles and background music to your story. You can also share your story in a variety of ways.

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How to begin a story:

To	Do this
Create an image folder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • save pictures from your digital camera to this folder. • You may also use clip art or Google images to add to the folder. • Make sure to keep your story in mind as you save pictures.
Open Photo Story	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click Start, point to All Programs, and then click Photo Story 3 for Windows. • On the Welcome page, click Begin a new story, and then click Next.
Import your pictures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To add pictures to your photo story: On the Import and arrange your pictures page, click Import Pictures. In the File Browser dialog box, browse to your new images folder that you created for this project. Add all of the pictures listed. • Pressing and holding the CTRL + A keys will select all images in the folder. <i>Note: If you want to add the same picture more than once you need to import it multiple times.</i>
Arrange your pictures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You can drag a picture in the filmstrip to change the sequence. You can click a picture in the filmstrip and click Edit to change the appearance of the picture by rotating it, adjusting the color, fixing red eye or adding effects. You can also right-click a picture in the filmstrip to perform these actions. • When you are finished making changes to your pictures, click Next to continue.
Customize motions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After your images have been imported, click Next twice to advance to the 'Customize Motion' screen. • Click on Customize Motion. Check the box 'Specify start and end position of motion.' You can resize the start and end positions. You can set the duration (number of seconds to display the picture) then click Save after customizing each slide. • You can also click on the Transitions tab and add transitions to slides and set the transition duration.

Narrate your pictures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You can narrate your story by clicking on the red Record Narration button. Step through your pictures as you narrate by clicking a picture on the film strip. Click the Stop Recording button when you are finished and click the Preview... button. If you are unhappy with the narration click the Delete Narration button and re-record.
Add background music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On the Add background music page, select the picture where you want the music to start playing, and then click Select Music or Create Music. On the File Open dialog box, browse to your song and then click Open. The music you just added is shown as a colored bar above the picture in the filmstrip. This helps you determine which pictures will be shown for each piece of music you add. This is particularly helpful when you add more than one song to your story. Be sure that the volume of the background music is much lower than your voice.
Save your project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Click Save Project in the lower left-hand corner of the program. Rename the file, and save it in your folder on the shared server.
Finalize (save) your story	<p>When you save your photo story, all the pictures, narrations, and music are compiled into a video file that you can view in Windows Media Player.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To save your photo story for playback on your computer: On the Save your story page, verify that Save your story for playback on your computer is selected in the activities list. Click Browse to specify the location and file name of your story. On the Save As dialog box, browse to your folder on the shared server (otherwise known as the V drive). In the Filename text box, type <anyname>.wmv. <i>you can also save on a CD / flash drive.</i> Click Save, and then click Next.
View your story	<p><i>or CD / flash drive</i> Browse to your folder on the shared server. Your story will be saved as a Windows Movie File (.wmv). It can be viewed on any computer that has Windows Media Player.</p>
Need further help?	<p><i>I have a few microphones that you can use to record your voice. come to extra help!</i></p>