**MovieMaker**

**Step 1: Upload videos and photos**

* In your “Home” tab, click on upload video/photo
* Browse for your file and click open
* If you have a large video file, it may take a few minutes to process
* Note: depending on how you record, you may need to flip the video (in the “home” tab).
* Tip: you can record with your webcam, but only for stationary videos (when you are not moving around).

Assignment: Upload the Wildlife video sample in your video folder on your computer.

**Step 2: Edit your clip**

* Trim unnecessary parts of your video (where it lags or you mess up).
  + Click on “trim tool” and use the bar below the video to find what you want to cut
* Note: it only lets you cut the beginning and end, if you want to trim in the middle of your video you must split the clip where you want to trim. Then go to your “trim tool”.
* Tip: preview your file before saving it, but if you accidently cut something MovieMaker has an undo button. Yay!

Assignment: Edit the horses out of the beginning, the birds at the end, and the seals in the middle.

**Step 3: Adding multiple clips**

* You can add multiple movie files (stream them together). You add them the same way as Step 1.
* You can reorder the clips as needed – click and hold the clip to drag them.

Assignment: Upload the same Wildlife video file. Move it to the beginning (before your edited clip). Edit the clip this time keeping the horse, birds and seals. Your movie should be like the following:

1. Super-fast horses
2. Cuddling seals
3. Birds, more birds, and more birds!
4. A hungry woodchuck
5. Cute, sleepy Koala

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**Step 4: Add Text**

* You can add a title slide and credits at the end (this is an excellent place to cite your sources).
  + When you click on title or credits, you can edit the font, color, background, transition etc.
* You can also add captions to your clips
  + You will have to split your clips if you need different captions for different spots.

Assignment: Add a title (you can edit as you wish, as long as it is legible). Give credit to your music in the credits and yourself for editing and me for teaching you! Add captions for each animal.

**Step 5: Adjust the volume for your clips**

* You can fade the music in (so it gets louder) and fade out at the end of your movie.
* You can also mute the music or turn the volume down for certain clips. This would be good for voice overs – you don’t want the music louder than you.
* Note: you have to split the clip if you want different music volumes for different sections.

Assignment: Fade the music in for the horse clip. Fade the music out at the end with the koalas. Mute the music for the rest.

**Step 6: Add your own music**

* Go back to “home” tab and click on “Add music”
  + You can search for free music online and download it to you music files on the computer or you can add your music clips you have saved on the computer.
* Click on “Music Tools” to edit when you want the music to start and stop and volume.

Assignment: Add the sample music “Maid with Flaxen Hair”. Trim it so it is just in the middle (keep the horse and koala music from before and make sure the other clips are muted). Adjust the volume so it is low for you to add your own voice over.

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**Step 7: Add a voice over narration**

* Adjust your black bar to where you want to begin and in the home tab click on “Record narration”.
* Click on the Project tab and “emphasize narration” so your voice over is clearer.
* Tip: Check to make sure your microphone is turned on and up for best quality. (Search “Manage Audio Devices” in your start menu)
* If you recorded your narration separately (like with sound recorder on your computer), you could add the file. I find it easier to time what I want to say in MovieMaker.

Assignment: Add a narration for the following animals: seals, birds, and woodchuck. You decide what to say. Keep it appropriate and PG! Think of what you would say to a 5 year old about these animals.

**Step 8: Personalize your video** (some examples are below)

* Add transitions (under the Animation tab)
* You could use an Auto Movie Theme (under the Home tab) – Note: you can’t personalize these
* Look into visual effects (i.e. make a clip black and white)
* Under the Video Edit tools tab, you can also adjust the speed of clips (i.e. slow motion). Note: if you do that, it will adjust your clip length, which will affect your music and narrations.

Assignment: Choose at least 2 things to personalize your movie.

**Step 9: Finalize your video as a movie**

* You must save your video as a movie (under “Save Movie” and use “Recommended for this Project”).
* This is the file you will submit in Canvas.