

Creating Audio, Video and/or Video Slideshows



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There are several programs/apps that we recommend for creating videos and slideshows. Our "[Online Photo Editing for Staff and Students](#)" Doc is a good resource for doing things with photos.

[Video Tools and Creation with Chromebooks](#) - Great presentation and list of video tools.

Other resources:

[12 Ways to Create Videos On Chromebooks](#) Via Richard Bryne

[Seven Ways to Create Screencasts on Chromebooks](#) Via Richard Bryne

[4 Free Tools](#) For Online Video Editing

[5 Ways for Students of All Ages to Make Animated Videos](#)



Our top choice!

Canva - One of the best graphics and creation tools now has video creation and editing too!

Check out their video maker here: <https://www.canva.com/create/videos/>

[Canva Has These 5 Video Features](#)—Pro Editors Don't

Canva is one of the best tools for graphics, posters and now video too! (They even have slide presentations too, but we like Google Slides better for that.)

They give educators the pro version for free! Super simple! It's the best online graphics program for teachers and now for video! [Sign up for an educator account here](#) to get the paid features for free. 100% free for educators and their students!

Canva offers two ways to create audio slideshow videos. The first way is to simply put together a series of slides and then select a soundtrack to play in the background. That process is [demonstrated here](#). The other method is to use Canva's full video editor to add narration and custom timings to an audio slideshow video. That process is [demonstrated in this video](#).



Our top choice!

ClipChamp is amazing for free! Checkout this article for more info: [How to use Clipchamp, Microsoft's sleeper-hit video editor](#). [Pricing info here](#), Unlimited video exports

in 1080p exports with no watermark. (If you have pro features in the video, it will add a watermark, but warn you.)

YouTube:

YouTube used to have a nice video editor built-in but now just offers some basic features. (It's getting better - you can now trim your videos.) [YouTube Studio](#) is their current video editor. It includes many free music soundtracks, transitions, etc. YouTube has unlimited storage and streaming. When you share, it's either totally public, private to only you, or shared via a private link. This service is great for videos and slideshows. My guide: "[Setting up YouTube for use in your classroom](#)" will get you started. All videos are stored in the cloud on YouTube. (You would need a third-party program if you want to download a YouTube Video. There are some sites in this doc for doing that.)

Note: If you upload copyrighted music to YouTube, they may remove it from your video.

Google Photos Great for slideshow types of videos. Very easy! In Google Photos there is a section called "utilities." It is in the utilities section that you'll find the video creation tool. To use it all you need to do is select up to 50 pictures and or videos that you have stored in your Google Photos account. Google Photos will then automatically select display length for each image or video and automatically add background music to your video. If you don't like what was automatically selected for your video, you can manually adjust display length and choose different background music.

Animoto (Create awesome video slideshows. Only good for slideshow styles of videos.)

[Animoto](#) is a Free & paid service. Anymore, the EDU is the same as the free plan, so **I do not recommend this as much** as I used to. It's primarily for taking slides and making a video, but does allow for very short video clips to be uploaded. The length of the final movie is dictated by the length of the song, so it's not great for long videos. More info here on the [classroom uses](#). You can easily download the final video or embed the Animoto, or link to it on your website too!) If you want to do a short slideshow of pictures, then this is a good one. It turns out amazing videos that take very little time, but make you look like a rock star! (Since they stopped giving edu the paid plan for free, it's gone down on my list.)



This Is the Best Free Video Editor for Beginners—and No, It's Not CapCut. More info here.

Adobe Spark Tools (Now Adobe Creative Cloud Express):

(Video, web pages, and posters!)

Adobe released this set of free online (and apps) tools that are online and simple to use. The premium features are now free to schools! [Check out this Norris doc for getting your account set up!](#) All the projects are saved on one online website. These tools allow you to make great Videos ([Spark Video](#)), Web stories/online brochures ([Spark Page](#)), and great graphics with [Spark Post](#). One nice thing with Spark Video is that you can record your voice-over per slide. So you do not have to re-record a 10-minute slideshow that you messed up on in the last 30 seconds. (Maybe that only happens with me!) [Here is a nice cheat sheet created for Adobe Spark Video](#). [Here is one for Post](#).

Sample - [Norris Superintendent's Report](#) or [Norris High School Library video](#).

([Spark video limits](#)) [Check out the Gallery for inspiration](#).

[How to Use Video Journals with Students](#) - featuring Spark Video.

Adobe Creative Cloud Express is a collaborative tool so you can invite a colleague to work on developing an end-of-year slideshow video with you. [Watch this video](#) to learn how to make a video with Adobe Creative Cloud Express.

Other Video Creation and editor tools:

[School Video Recorder for Google Drive](#) - (No editing features.) Great app. (You can just visit the website directly at <https://videorecorder.kwiius.com/>) This saves the file in WebM format. You can play that format on most desktops and Chromebooks but if you need to insert the video into a presentation or other program you may need to convert it by uploading it into Google Drive and then downloading it from there or insert from there into a Google Slideshow. This is similar to the <https://screenapp.io/> site for doing a recording of the screen.

Take a photo or video with your Chromebook - [Directions here](#).

Need a quick webcam snapshot? This one's for you! [Alice Keeler Webcam Snapshot](#) for Chrome.









[How to create stop motion animations with Google Slides](#) (Once again the flexibility of Google Slides!)

WOW - This is a great tool! [RecordCast.com](#) free online video editor that is Chrome friendly. Super solid and gives you just the tools you need. You can record the screen or record video with your webcam.

[Typoo app](#) - Create quick videos on your phone by talking into the app, and let AI do the rest. Checkout this [sample video](#) I created in 30 seconds.

[Headliner](#). (Create and Edit videos) Free! [How to Create a Headliner Video](#) While Headliner allows its forever free users to export as many videos as they wish, a watermark that designates the video as created with Headliner will appear on exports after you have exported 10 videos every month.

[VideoCandy.com](#) has free tools for doing quick and simple edits to your video files. This one is worth adding to your bookmarks and tech tool list!

-  Crop
-  Rotate
-  Add music
-  Compress
-  Trim
-  Flip
-  Change speed
-  Mute

[Kapwing](#) (Create and Edit videos) is a modern editor for images, GIFs, and videos.

<https://www.kapwing.com/> (The free version does offer plenty of useful features. [Pricing/features](#). No watermark if you log in with a free account, but limits exports to 3 per month.) They have a TON of features, [checkout their tools here](#).

[WeVideo for education](#) - (Create and Edit videos) Awesome but costly. (Free = 5 video minutes limit per month for 480p.) [See plans here](#). Not very good unless your school has a subscription. This is the best online video editor out there if you are willing to pay for the service, but Canva's video editor is almost as good and is free for EDU. WeVideo does allow for easily assigning licenses and moving them between users, classes, etc...

[TypeStudio](#) is an online video editor. [Their free plan](#) has a lot of features, but does limit you to 20 minutes of video being uploaded monthly. It's just a different way of editing videos. It basically transcribes the video, and you see the words/text. You edit the text, and it then trims/edits the video. Not sure what I think about this one, but did want to list it as an option.

Others? - [The 5 Best Free Online Video Editors](#).

Screen recording tools:

Loom is an awesome Chrome Extension for screen recording and making training videos! (Talking head screen tutorials and just screen recordings.)

Check out our [Screen Recording help doc](#) to get started. (Pro version is free for teachers and students!)

A few other video tools:

[Soapbox](#) — screen & webcam recorder is very similar in features to Loom. Create an account for free. [The free version](#) allows up to 3 stored videos. [You will create a SoapBox account here](#) ← Click and create an account.

[4 Useful Chrome Extensions](#) for Working with Images & Videos

Pretty Cool! Remove backgrounds of animated gifs at [unscreen](#). (This is how the picture is done at the top of the page on this document.) You can go one step further and do your own Bitmoji. Here is a [great tutorial on how to add your Bitmoji to Google Slides](#) (or save and use in docs like the one above.)

Automated video from text scripts:

[Cool AI Video demo](#) - Create a video from a script. (Paid service.)

Simpleshow - The first step in using [Simpleshow](#) is to write a script for your video. The script is written in chapters in a template that becomes the outline for your video. After you have written your script Simpleshow will take it and give you suggested images and animations to use. The suggestions are based on the keywords in your script. Adding narration to your video is the last step in the Simpleshow editor. There is an automated text-to-speech narration that will read your script as narration for your video. Completed videos can be downloaded and or directly uploaded to YouTube from Simpleshow. They have a free/class room plan. On their [pricing page](#), click the Education button.

Record and/or Edit Audio:

Need to edit audio -- [This Online Audio Editor](#) may be an option. (But looking at its recent reviews, I am not sure if I would recommend it.) [Check out the demo here](#) with some soundtracks to play with. [Home page here](#). It integrates with Google Drive too- [visit this site](#) for more about the Google Drive Integration.

[TwitedWave](#) is also another one to look at.

[4 Audio Editing Tools for Chromebooks](#) - A Comparison Chart

Want to record audio (Or have your students record audio) [Vocaroo](#) is a nice option. (Recordings stay on the web for several weeks, but you can also download them.) Or [SpeakPipe](#)

Android Phones - [Audio Recorder](#) - Easy audio recording app made by Sony. FREE

[Soundtrap](#) is a great site for creating audio online. Like Audacity or GarageBand... but works on the web. You can collaborate as a group on the audio file. I know I mentioned this last year, but it's worth mentioning again. It is a great content creation tool.

[Our Clipart document](#) has some great clip art and sound clips to use within your presentations.

Remember... you can download your videos from Adobe, Canva & Animoto (And many others.) and then put them in your Google Drive for sharing the movie. This allows you to control who sees the videos as well as offering larger storage limits.

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