

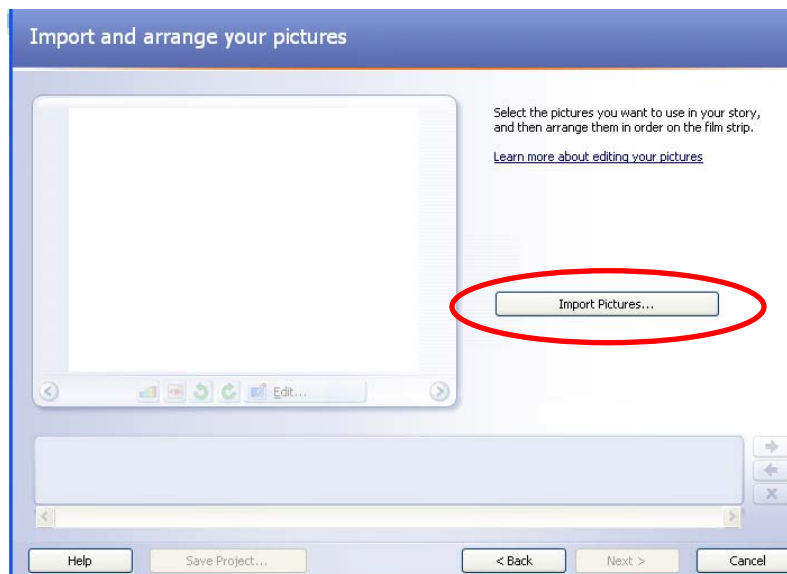
Creating a Slide Show with Narration Using Microsoft Photo Story

1. First, download Microsoft Photo Story. It is a free download from the Microsoft website. (www.microsoft.com)
2. Open Photo Story 3 by clicking "Start" then "Microsoft Photo Story 3 for Windows." You'll see this screen:

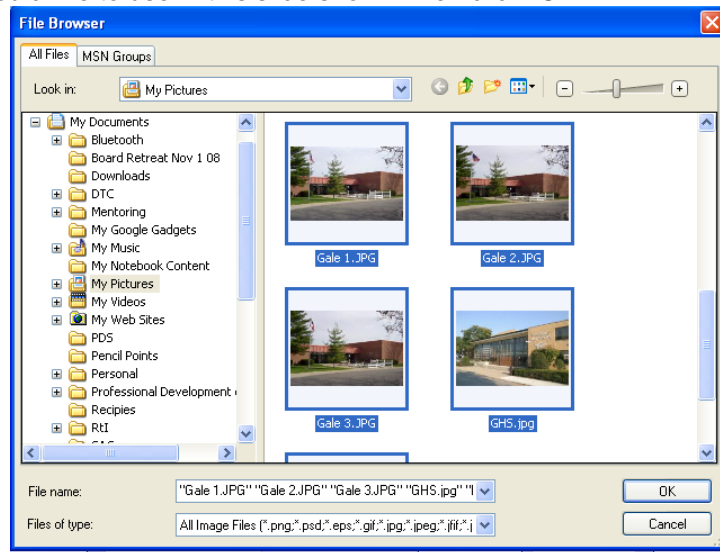


Click "Begin a new story" then click "Next>."

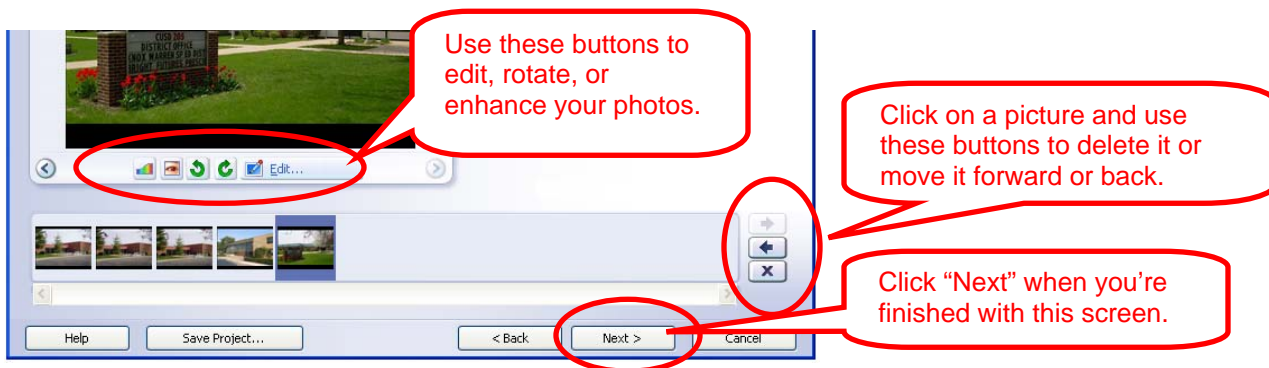
3. Click "Import Pictures."



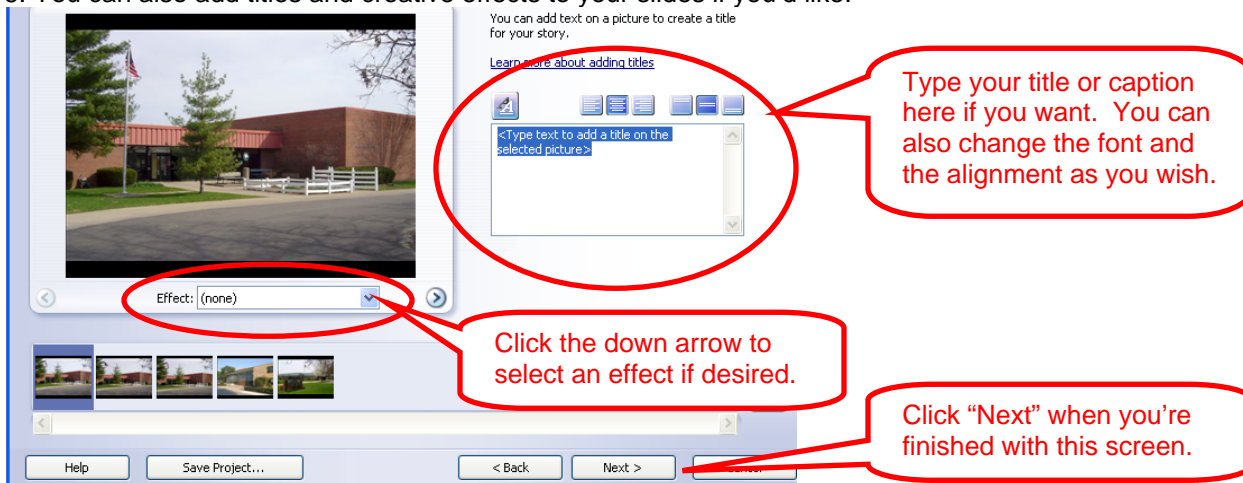
4. Find your photos. These might be in your “My Pictures” folder, or some other folder you have designated. Click-and-drag to highlight the photos you’d like to use in this slide show. Then click “OK.”



5. Next, make adjustments to your slide show.



6. You can also add titles and creative effects to your slides if you’d like.



7. In the next screen you can record your narration. Connect a microphone to your computer if needed.

This drop-down menu will allow you to change the transition between pictures.

Click the red dot to start recording. Click the next button to the right to stop recording.

You can type notes here to help you remember what to say with each picture.

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The screenshot shows a software window titled "Narrate your pictures and customize motion". It features a film strip on the left with a "Customize Motion..." button below it. On the right, there's a "transitions" section with a red dot and a "Next" button. Below that is a text area for notes: "<Type notes here to help you remember what to say with each picture.>". At the bottom are buttons for "Help", "Save Project...", "< Back", "Next >", and "Cancel".

8. Now you can add background music to your show if you'd like. You can add a different clip for each slide, or play a longer song (or songs) throughout the whole show.

Click "Select Music," then browse to find music saved on your hard disk.

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The screenshot shows a window titled "Add background music". It contains the text: "You can add background music to a set of pictures. Select the music you want to use by clicking Select Music or Create Music." Below this is a link: "Learn more about adding background music". There are two buttons: "Select Music..." and "Create Music...". At the bottom are buttons for "Help", "Save Project...", "< Back", "Next >", and "Cancel".

9. After you've selected your music, you can adjust the volume and duration. First, click on the picture you want to show when the music begins. This is called your *anchor image*. Each anchor image will have a musical note displayed below its image on the film strip at the bottom of the page. The music will play until (1) the music clip ends, (2) the slide show ends, or (3) another anchor image is encountered and a new music clip is set to begin. Deleting an anchor image will also delete the music associated with it. You can rearrange the music by clicking & dragging the music bar to a new anchor image in the film strip. Photo Story will also adjust the music duration for you as you adjust the amount of time each image is shown.

Adjust the volume by dragging the slider left or right.

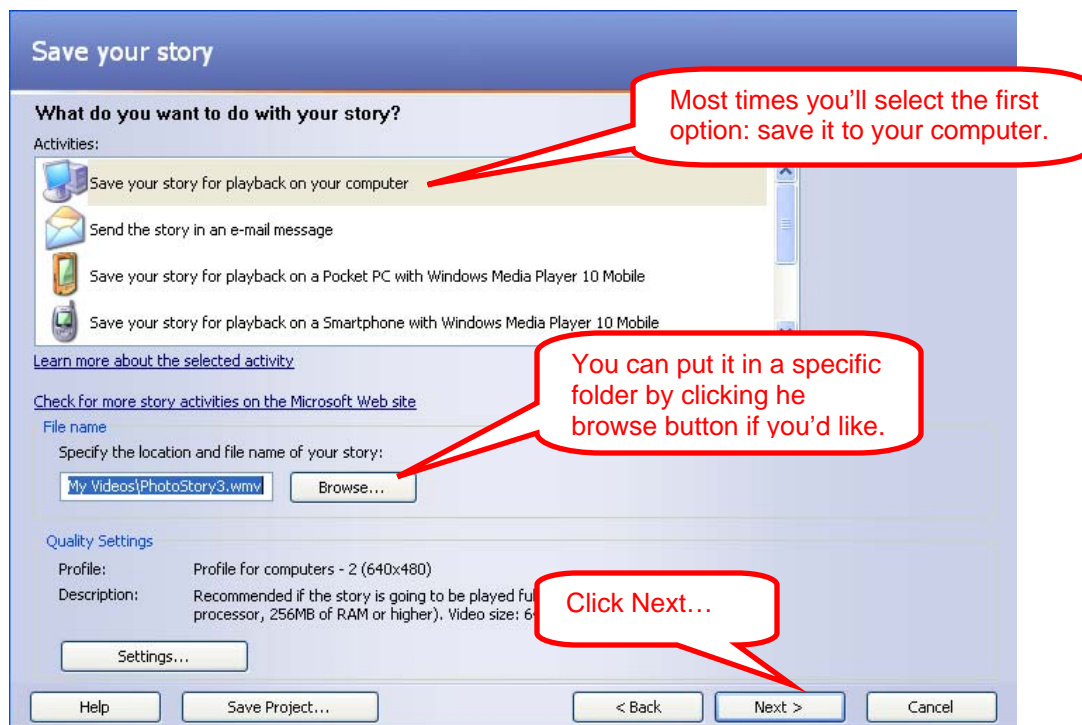
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Click the Preview button to see what your show will look & sound like

Click "Next" when you're done

The screenshot shows the "Add background music" window with more detail. It lists selected music: "Highway Blues" and "New Stories". Below the list is a "Volume:" section with a slider from "Low" to "High". There is a "Preview..." button. At the bottom are buttons for "Help", "Save Project...", "< Back", "Next >", and "Cancel".

10. We're almost done! Now we'll export this to a video file that will play in Windows Media Player.



When you click next, Photostory will mix your video and audio into a video file. You can view your completed story to make sure it's just the way you want it. If not, go back through your project by clicking the "Back" button, change your settings, and try again. Save each edit with a different name by adding a "2," a "3," and so on to the end of the file name.

