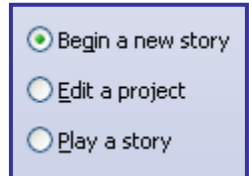




Photo Story 3 for Windows

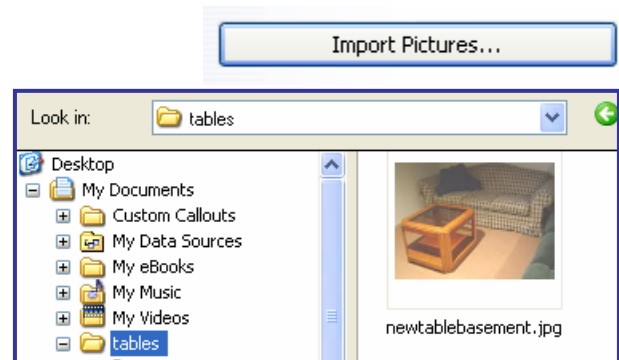
Create exciting video stories by adding panning and zooming effects to your pictures. Record narration for your pictures and add titles and background music. Before beginning a Photo Story, all pictures being used should be placed in a folder and ready for use.

- Open **Photo Story 3**.
- To begin a new project, select **Begin a new story**.
- To continue an existing project, select **Edit a project**.
- Click **Next**.

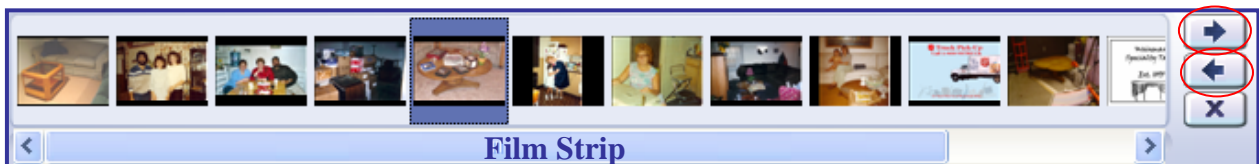


Step 1: Importing and arranging your pictures

- Click on **Import Pictures**.
- Locate the folder containing the pictures.
- Select all the pictures to be imported. (*Select more than one picture by holding the CTRL key down while clicking the mouse on the file name*).
- Click **Okay** when all photos are selected.

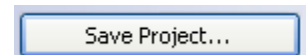


Once the images are imported, they can be arranged on the Photo Story film strip in the correct order by either selecting the picture and clicking on the arrow keys or selecting a picture and dragging it to a different position.



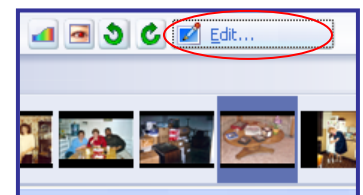
Pictures can be edited and enhanced in many ways.

Make sure the project is saved frequently by clicking on Save Project.



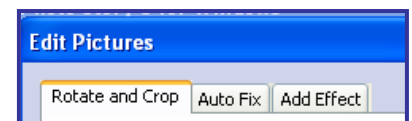
Step 2: Editing pictures

- On the **Import and Arrange Your Pictures** page, select a picture, and then click **Edit**.
- In the **Edit Pictures** dialog box, click one of the following tabs to perform the specified task.



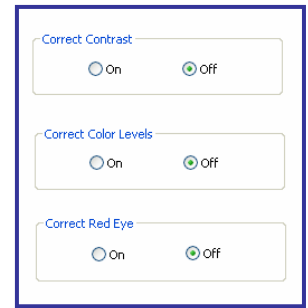
Rotate and Crop

- Rotate a picture clockwise or counterclockwise.
- Manually crop a picture.



Auto Fix

- Turn on or turn off **Correct Contrast**.
- Turn on or turn off **Correct Color Levels**.
- Turn on or turn off **Correct Red Eye**.

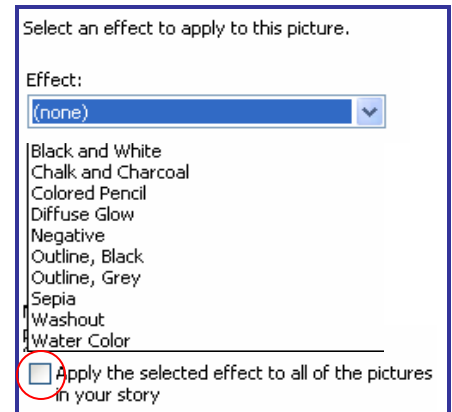


Add Effect

- Select an effect.
- The effect can be applied to all the pictures in the story by clicking in the check box.
- When the picture is complete, click **Save**.
- To edit another picture in the story, click the **Go to Next Picture** button or the **Go to Previous Picture** button.
- When all the pictures have been edited, click **Close** to close the **Edit Pictures** dialog box.



Note that none of the changes that are made affect the original picture.





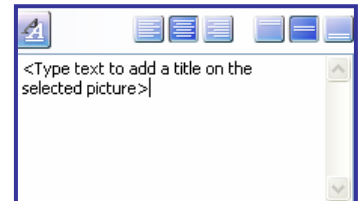
To continue with the project, click **Next** on the bottom of the screen.

Step 3: Add Titles to Pictures

On the **Add a title to your pictures** page, select a picture, and then type the text in the box.

The appearance or location of the title can be changed:



- To change the font, click the **Select Font** button  and choose the font type, style, size, effects, and color.
- To change the horizontal alignment of the text, click the **Align Left**, **Center** or **Right** button.
- To move the title up or down on the page, click the **Align Top**, **Center**, or **Bottom** button. By default, the title appears in the center of the picture.
- Continue entering titles for additional pictures by either clicking on the Next Picture icon  or selecting the picture on the film strip.

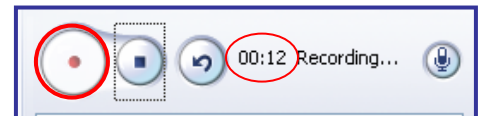


When all the titles are complete, click **Next**.

Step 4: Narrate your pictures

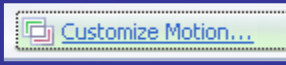
Up to five minutes of narration for each picture can be recorded.

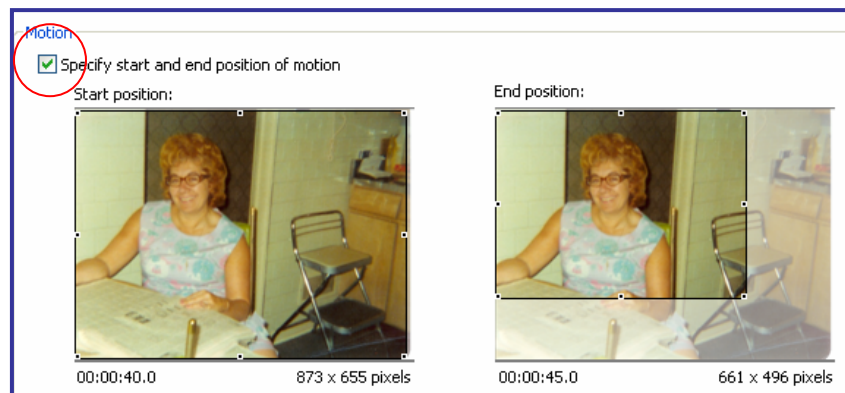
- To begin recording narration for a picture, select the picture on the film strip, click the **Record** Narration button, and then begin speaking into the microphone.
- Photo Story captures the narration individually for each picture and displays the length of the narration for the picture.
- To delete the narration for a specific picture, click the delete icon. 
- Continue recording the narrations for additional pictures by either clicking on the **Next Picture** icon  or selecting the picture on the film strip.




Step 5: Customizing motion and selecting transitions

Photo Story will determine the panning and zooming effects automatically for pictures. If any titles have been added to a picture, the panning and zooming effects are removed. By setting the motion manually, the general areas of a picture that will appear at the beginning and end of the picture's video clip can be selected.

- On the **Narrate your pictures and customize motion** page, select a picture and click **Customize Motion**. 
- In the **Customize Motion** dialog box, select the **Specify start and end position of motion** check box.
- A rectangle with handles appears on the picture in the **Start position** and **End position** boxes.
 1. In the **Start position** box, do one or both of the following:
 - Resize the rectangle by dragging the handle in the corner.
 - Move the rectangle by pointing to the center of the rectangle and dragging the rectangle to the area of the picture that should receive focus when the picture first appears.
 2. In the **End position** box, do one or both of the following:
 - Resize and move the rectangle to the area of the picture that should receive focus at the end of the video for that picture.



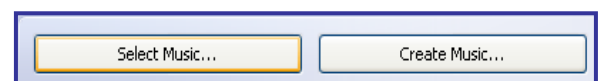
- Click **Save** to save the changes.
- To preview the panning and zooming effects, click **Preview**.
- Continue editing the pictures by click on the Next Picture icon. 
- When all the pictures have been edited, click **Close**.
- Click **Next** to move onto the next step.

Step 5: Adding background music to your story

Background music can be added to the story. A different piece of music can play for each picture or for a group of pictures. Music can be used that has been saved or Photo Story can create custom music.

To add an existing piece of music:

- Click on a photo on the film strip and click **Select Music** and locate the piece of music stored on the computer.



To create new music:

- Click on a photo and click **Create Music**.
- Select the genre – classical, dance, etc.
- Select the style – classical, jazz, etc.
- Select the instruments under Bands.
- Select the Mood.
- Set the tempo and the intensity.
- To play the created music, click the **Play** button.

This music will play through the entire story unless other music is selected to play by clicking on a different picture and choosing different music.

When the music is complete, click **Next**.

The last step is to save the project for sharing purposes.

- Select **Save your story for playback on your computer**.
- Click on the **Browse** button to select the location for the file and the name.
- Click **Next**.
- Photo Story will now "Build" the story.
- When the Photo Story is complete, click **Save Project**.
- Click **Exit**.

