

Microsoft® Photo Story 3 for Windows®

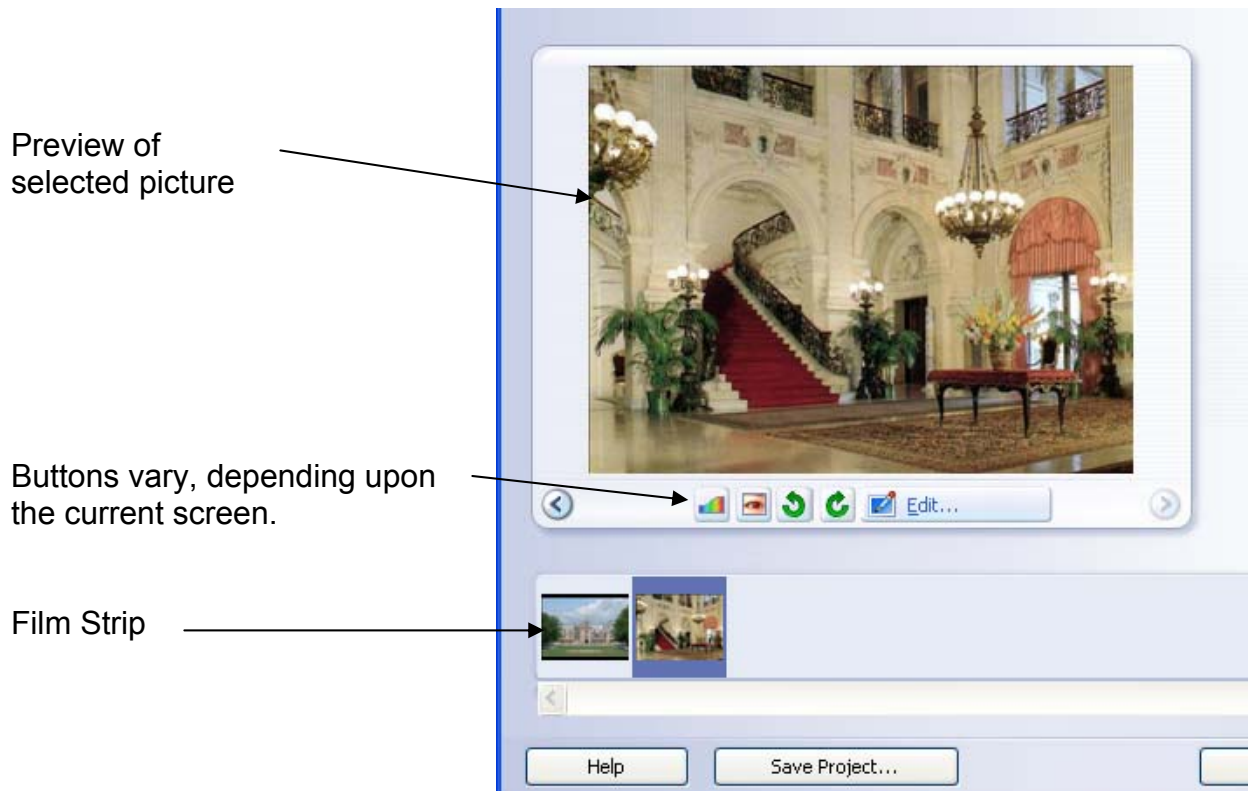
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Overview

Photo Story functions much like a wizard in Microsoft Office. A series of screens appear, and most of the screens have buttons that provide access to windows containing additional options.

Note: Photo Story creates movies that are saved in the **.wmv** format, which can only be viewed with **Windows Media Player 10**.

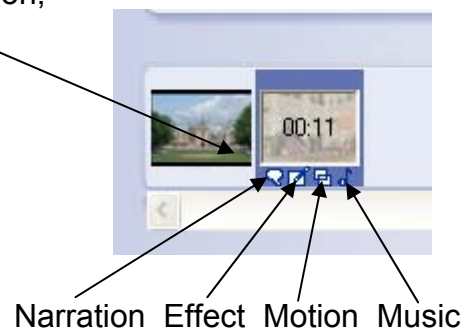



Preview of selected picture

Buttons vary, depending upon the current screen.

Film Strip

The Film Strip will display icons if a picture has narration, an effect, motion or music associated with it.




Most screens contain the  button, so that the project can be saved during the creating/editing process. A story can be saved as a project or a movie. Saving a story as a project will allow the user to continue to make editing changes. The **Save a story** screen allows the user to save the story as a movie.

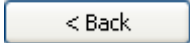
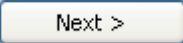
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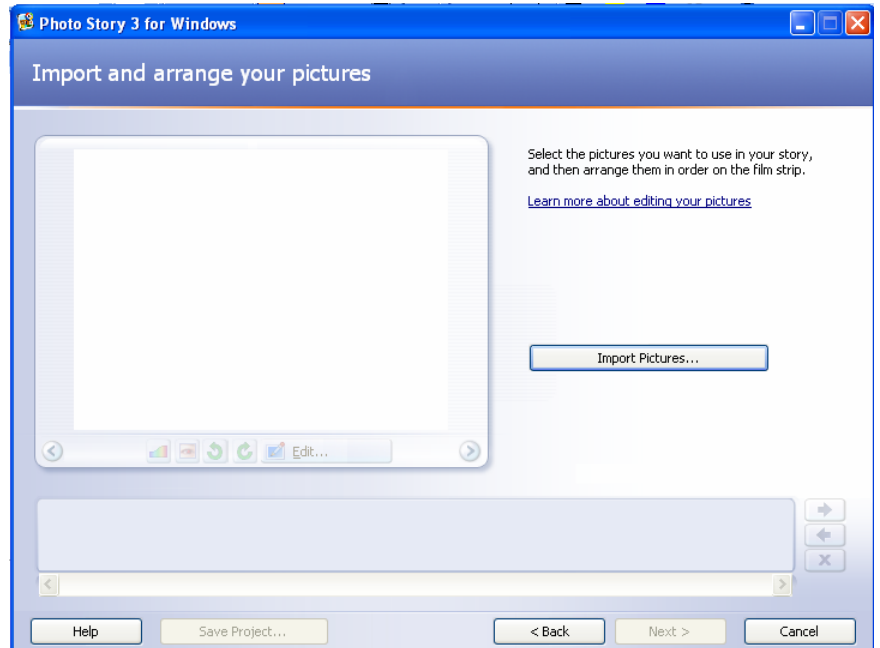


Click  to move to the **Import and arrange your pictures** screen.

Import and arrange your pictures

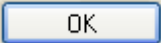
Click  to select the pictures that will be used in the story.

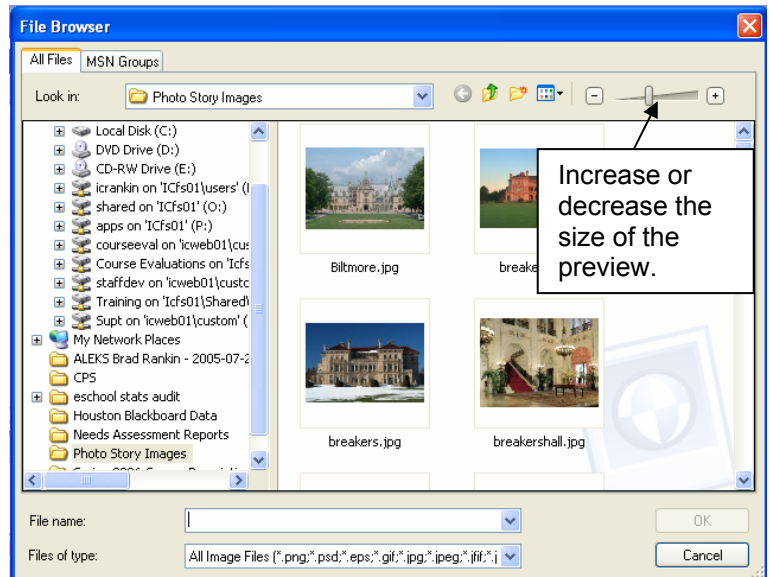
Return to this screen, using the  or  buttons, to import additional pictures, if needed.




The **File Browser** window will display a preview of the pictures that are available. Select a different folder or drive to access other pictures that have been downloaded from the Internet, uploaded from a digital camera, etc.

Note: Hold the **Ctrl** down to select a number of pictures to import.

Click  to return to the **Import** screen.







Edit Pictures

Click  to access the **Edit Pictures** window.

A few editing options can be easily accessed using the buttons just below the preview area.

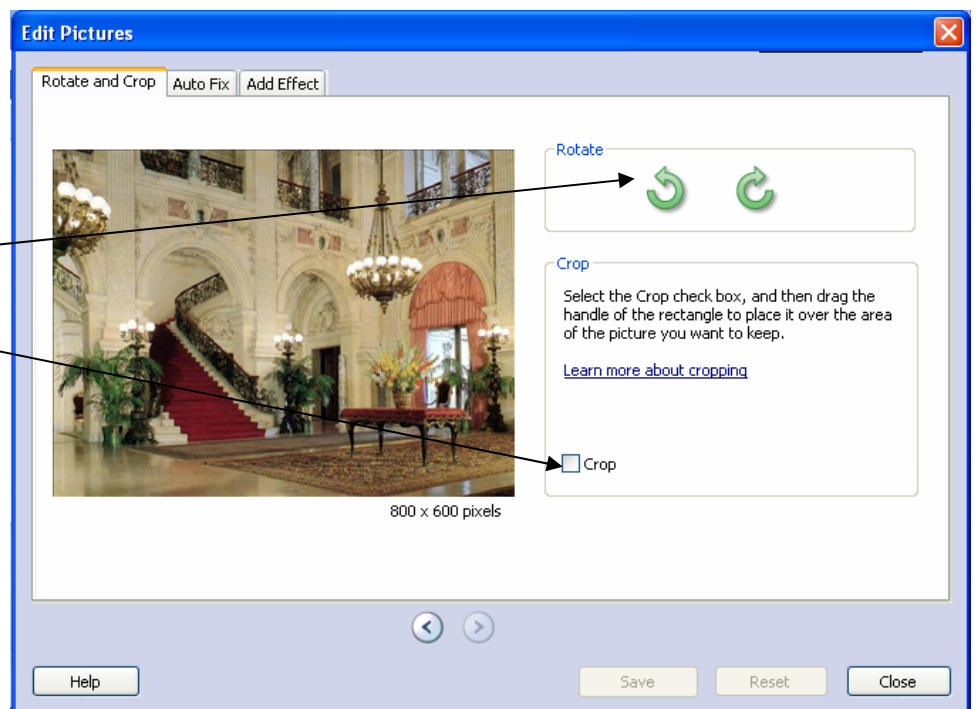


-  Control **Color Levels**
-  Correct **Red Eye**
-  Rotate **Counterclockwise**
-  Rotate **Clockwise**

The Edit Pictures Window

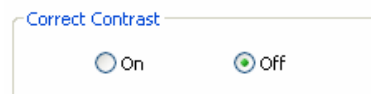
Rotate and Crop

- Click to rotate picture
- Click in the Crop box to crop the picture.



Auto Fix

Click on the Auto Fix tab to access the auto fix controls

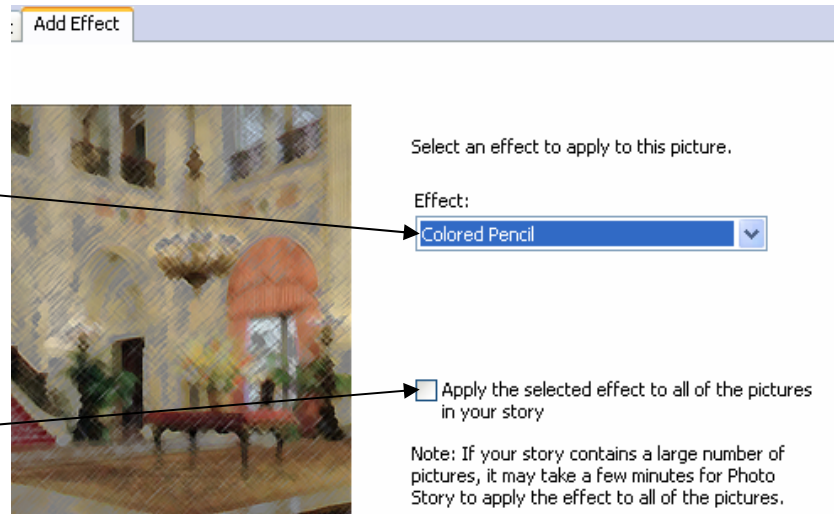


Add Effect

Select effects from the drop-down list

Effects can also be selected from the **Add a title...** screen.

Click in the **Apply...** box to apply the effect to all of the pictures in your story.




Click  to return to the **Import** screen.

Black Borders warning



This warning may appear if pictures in the story have a black area at the top or bottom or on the sides. All pictures in the story will be oriented for landscape. Portrait pictures can be used, but there will be black areas on both sides of the picture.

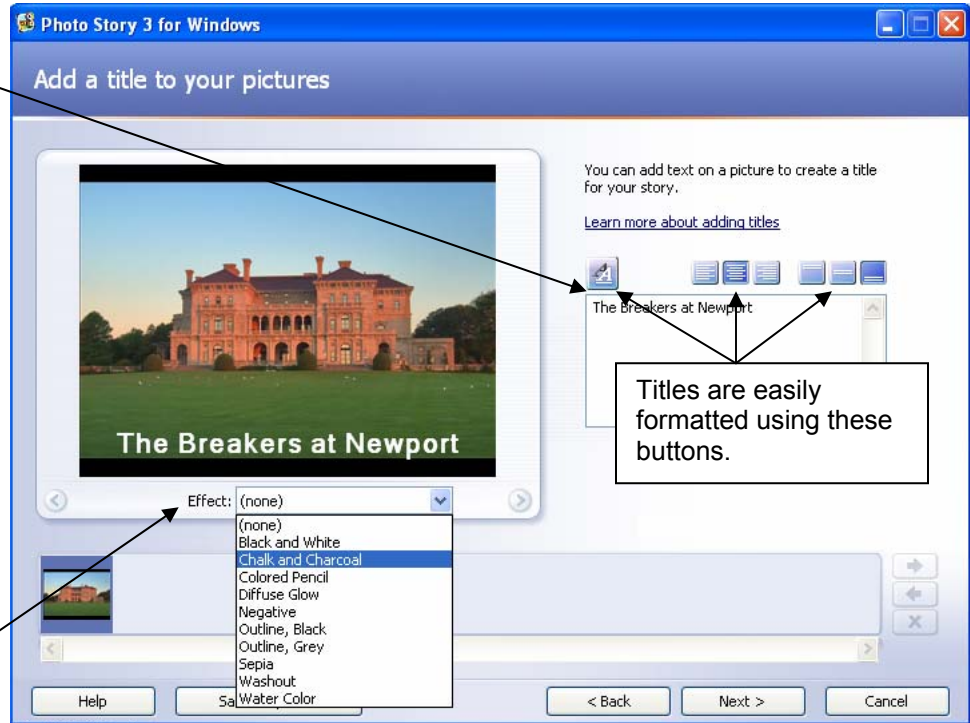
Click  [Remove black borders...](#), if desired. The remove black borders option allows the user to crop the photo to eliminate the black borders.

Click  to move to the **Add a title to your pictures** screen.

Add a title to your pictures

Titles can contain up to 1024 characters.

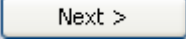
Note: Titles become part of the picture, if motion is applied to a picture, the full title will only be seen if the full picture is seen.



Effects

- Black and White
- Chalk and Charcoal
- Colored Pencil
- Diffuse Glow
- Negative
- Outline, Black
- Outline, Grey
- Sepia
- Washout
- Water Color

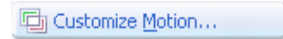
Effects can be selected here, as well as from the **Edit Pictures** window, accessed from the **Import...** screen.

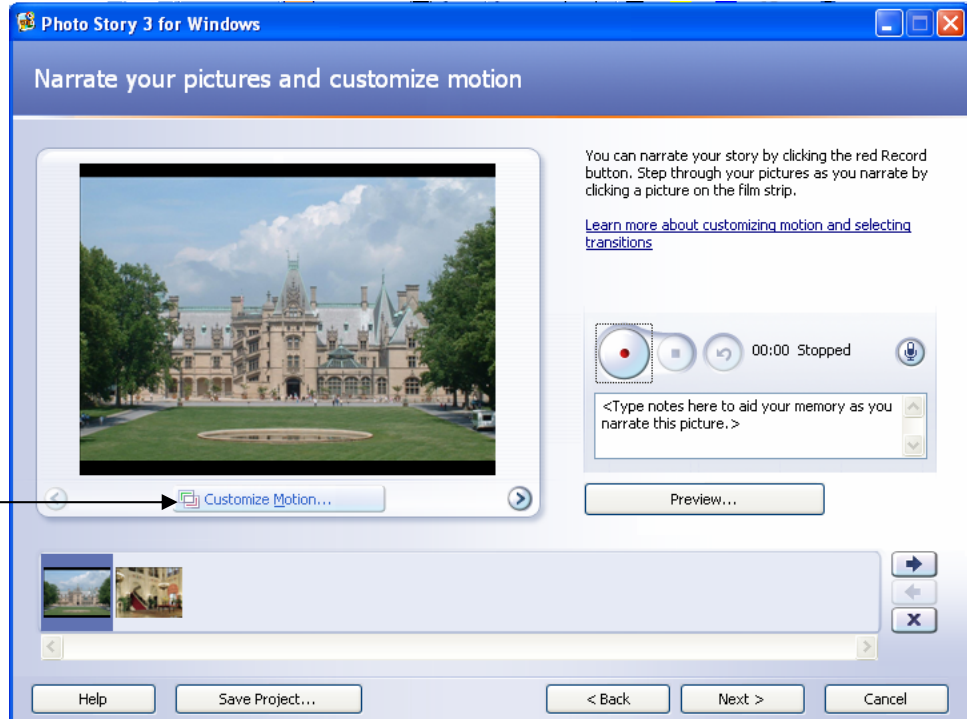
Click  to move to the **Narrate your pictures and customize motion** screen.

Narrate your pictures and customize motion

Narration can be added to pictures, individually, or to a series of consecutive pictures. To narrate a series of pictures, step through the pictures on the film strip, while narrating.

Click

 to access the Customize Motion window.

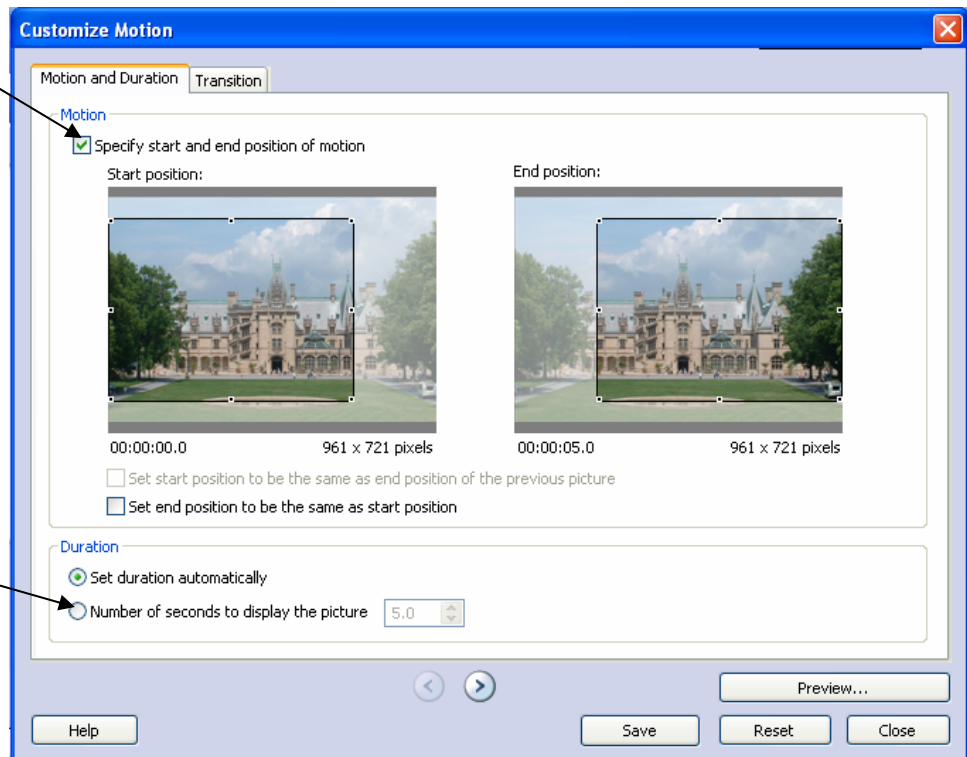


Motion and Duration

Motion allows the user to “animate” the pictures in the story.

Click here to select the start and end position of motion on a picture.

Click to here to specify the number of seconds that the picture should be displayed.

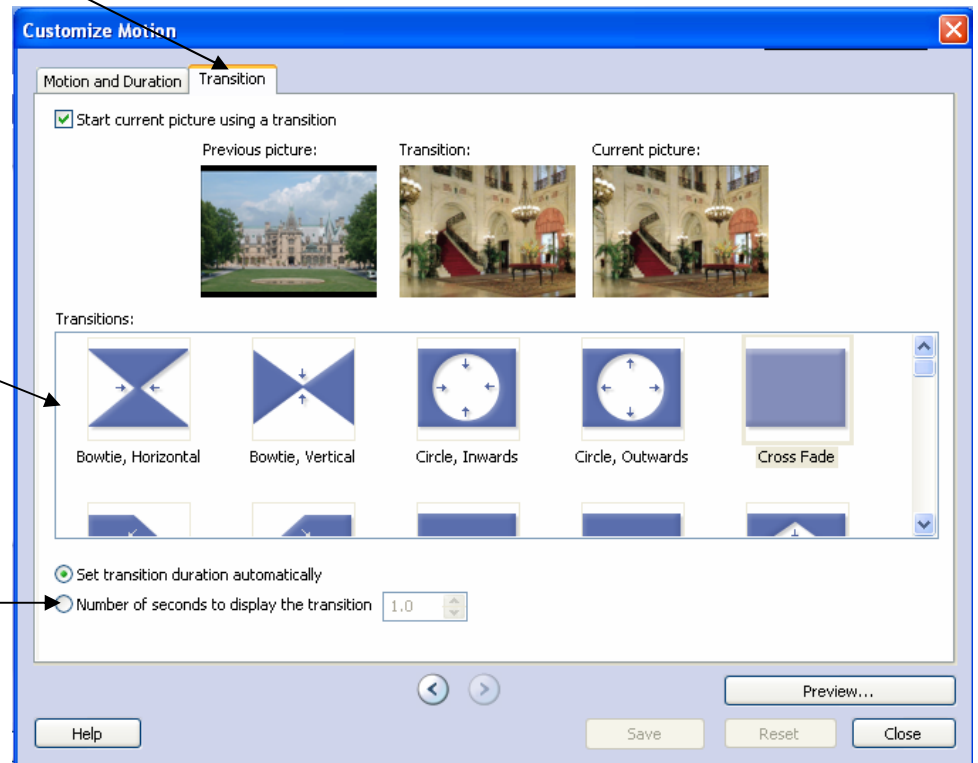


Transition

Click on the **Transition** tab of the Customize Motion window to access the Transition options.

Click on the desired Transition to select it.

Click here to set the number of seconds for the Transition to be displayed.



Click **Close** to return to the **Narrate your pictures and customize motion** screen.

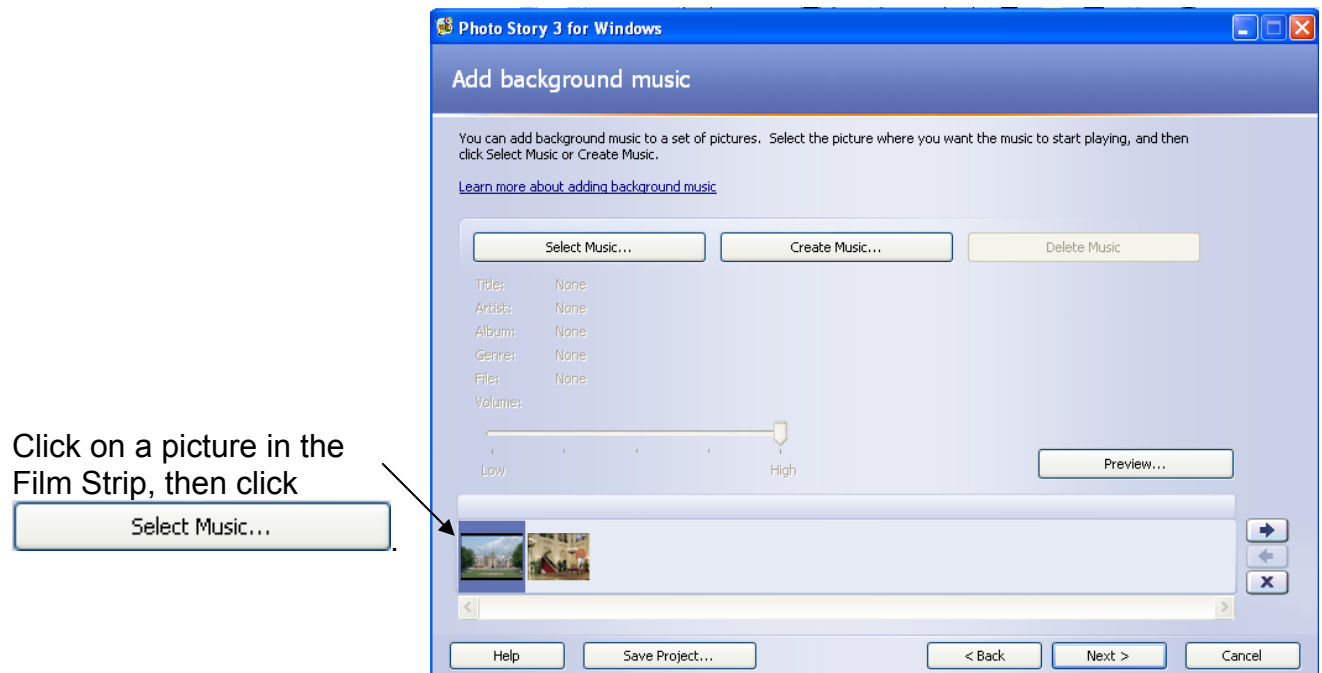
Click **Next >** to move to the **Add background music** screen.

Add background music

Select Music

Select Music allows the user to use audio clips to the story. The audio formats are limited to **WMA**, **MP3**, and **WAV** files.

Music can be added to individual pictures or to the entire story.



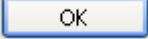
Create Music

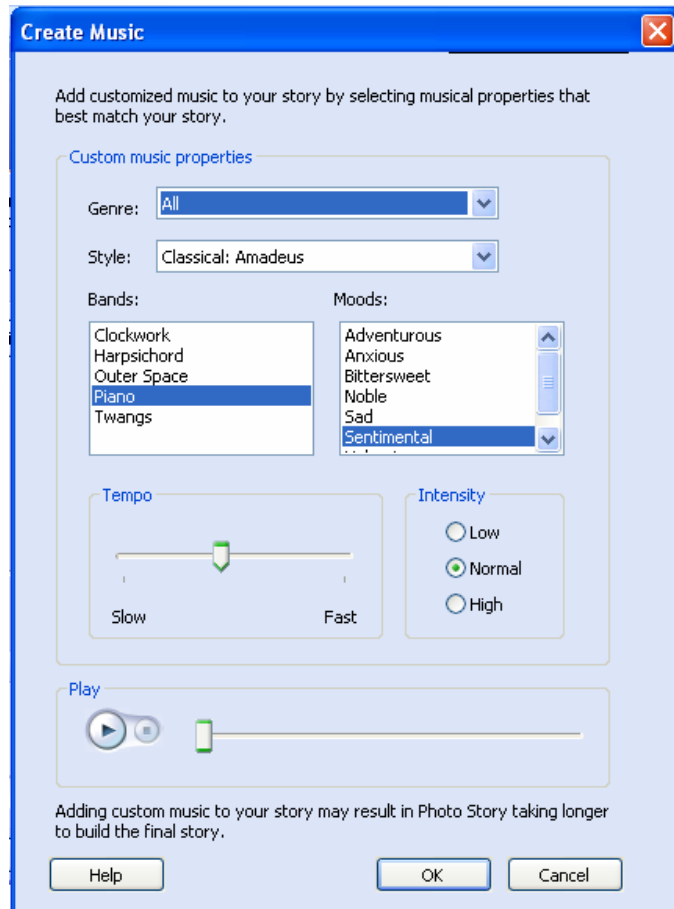
Create Music provides music that will not violate copyright laws.

Select Genre, Style, Bands, and Moods.

Adjust the Tempo and select Intensity.

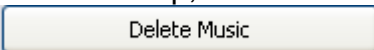
Click Play to listen to the music that has been created.

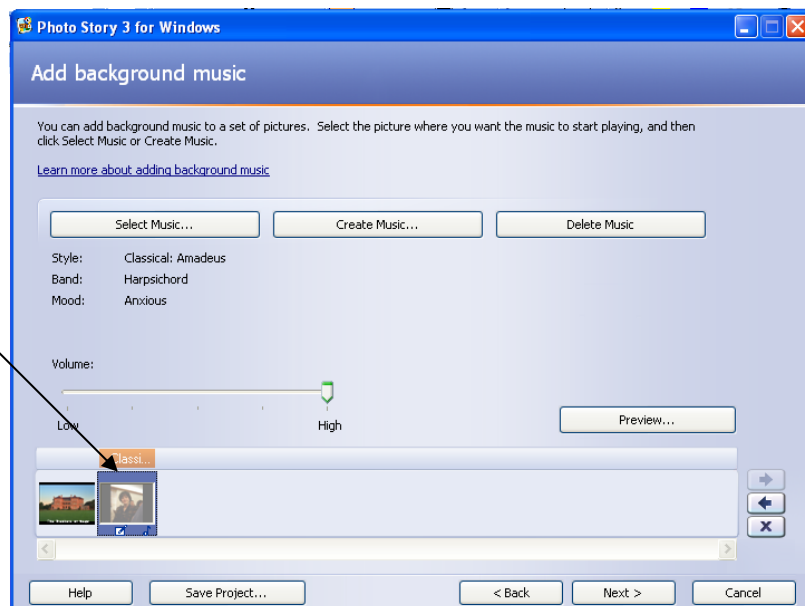
Click  to return to the **Add background music** screen.




Delete Music



To delete music, click on the appropriate picture in the Film Strip, then click





Click  to move to the **Save your story** screen.

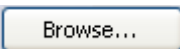
Save Project


Click on  to save the story so that it can be edited at a later time. The  button can be used at anytime during the story creation process. Projects are saved in the .wp3 format.

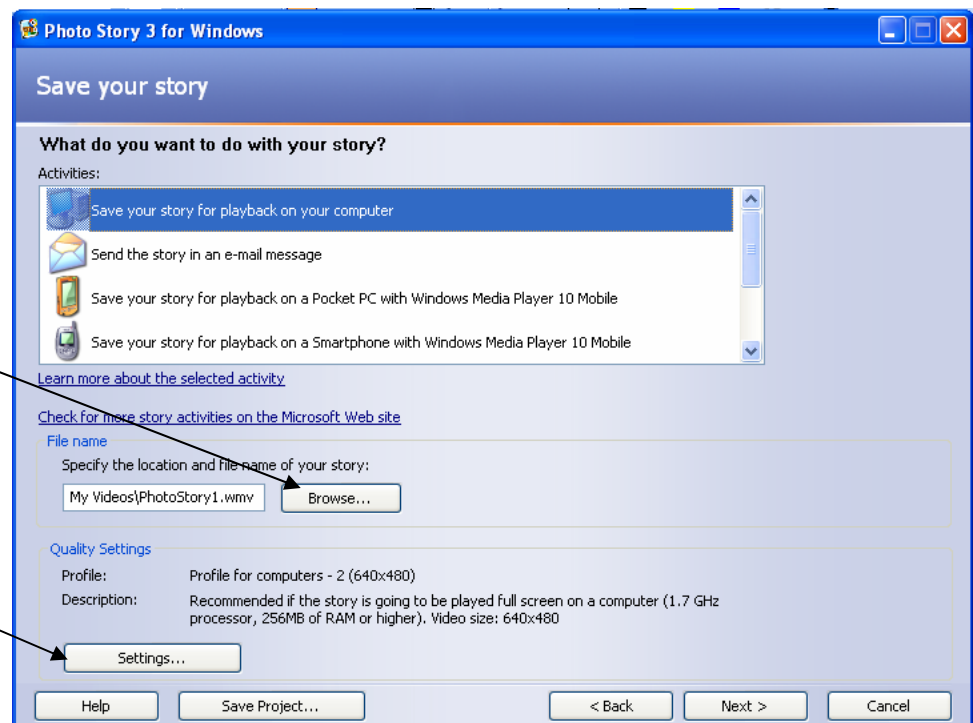


Save your story

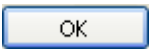
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The default location is **My Document/My Videos/** click  to specify a different location.

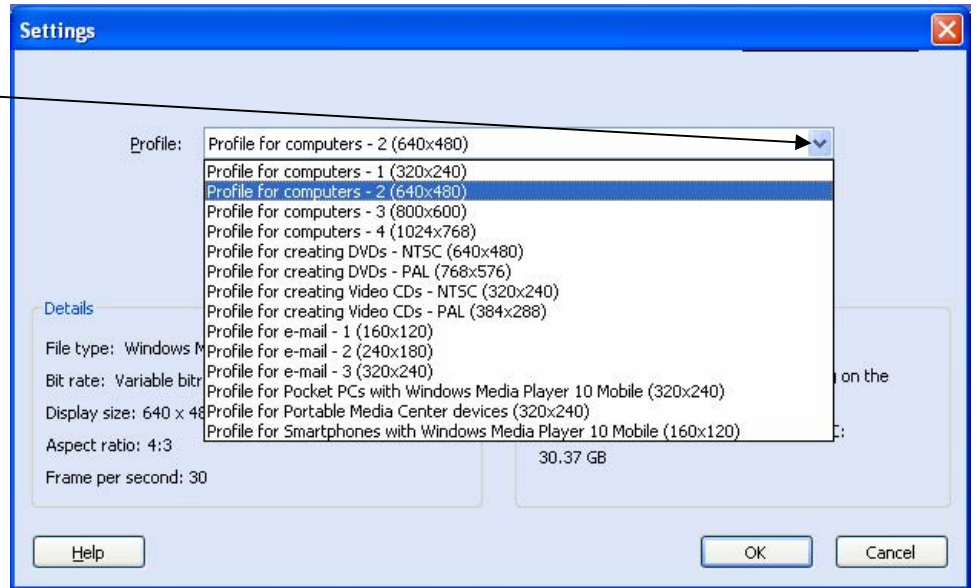
Click  to change the profile (viewing size) of the video.



Several profile sizes are available, click on the down arrow to view available profiles.

Click  or  to return to the **Save your story** screen.

Click  to move to the **Completing Photo Story 3 for Windows** screen.



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