Animoto Quick Glance

Overview
Animoto is an online service that allows users to upload their own pictures or video clips, select music, and then automatically render professional quality video segments with elaborate transitions and special effects. Movies can then be shared online via email, or embedded into other websites and services. The free account allows for 30 second videos, while other plans allow for longer videos and a larger variety of themes to choose from.

Getting Started
1. Go to www.animoto.com
2. Click “Sign In”
3. Use your email address given to you and your password to log-in.
4. Go to My Account > Edit Profile to change your name.

Create a Video:

Step 1: Pick a video style. You will not be able to select the ones with the Pro circle next to them.

Step 2: Click, Create Video.

Step 3: Upload video segments or photos from your own computer. Video segments work best in .wmv or QuickTime format. You can also Select some from the Animoto collection.

Step 4: Use the “Pick a highlight” tool to edit out specific clips of 3-5 seconds long from your uploaded videos.
Step 5: Use the tools to add more pictures or video, insert text, emphasize a picture, etc.

Step 6: Add Text to emphasize your pictures and provide meaning.

Step 7: Select music from the Animoto online library

Use the preview window to listen to a music track, then click the ADD SONG button once you’ve found the track you like.
**Step 7:** Finalize your project and either share the link to play it online, or embed it in your own webpage or website.

Give your video a name, brief description, and leave credit to the movie’s creator. All of this information will appear on the website for the movie and at the end of the film.

When done, click “PRODUCE VIDEO.”

**Share and / or embed your Animoto movie:** Once you’ve finalized your video, open it in the animoto preview window. At the bottom of the window you’ll see quick links to either share the link for this movie, or get the embed code.