

iMovie Basics: Quick Start Guide

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What is iMovie?

- ▶ A simple and free video editing software available on iPhones, iPads and Macs.
- ▶ Lets you combine video clips, images, music, and text to create short movies.
- ▶ Easy to use—perfect for classroom projects!



Your Goal Today

- ▶ Record short clips related to your math activity or mock crime scene.
- ▶ Use iMovie to:
 - ▶ Import your video clips,
 - ▶ Trim and arrange clips in order,
 - ▶ Add simple titles and transitions,
 - ▶ Export your finished project!

iMovie: Key Steps

1. Open **iMovie** → *Start New Project*.
2. Choose *Movie*.
3. **Import** your recorded clips.
4. **Drag and arrange** clips in timeline.
5. **Add titles, background music, transitions.**
6. **Export** your video when done!

Pro Tip

Keep your video short and engaging:

- ▶ **30 seconds to 2 minutes** is ideal!
- ▶ Use **titles** to explain key moments.
- ▶ **Transitions** can help your movie feel smoother.
- ▶ Have fun and be creative!

Ready to Start?

Let's capture your project and bring it to life with iMovie!

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