

How to Make a Video

Options for creating your lesson

1. Use a webcam + screen capture software

- a. If you are recording yourself writing on paper, we recommend a dark color of marker, like a medium Sharpie, so it's readable.
- b. If using Jing Pro or ScreenToaster for screen capture, they can record right from the webcam (whatever it sees will be recorded)

2. Use a slide presentation + screen capture software

3. Use a graphic tablet + screen capture software

- a. Program options when using a tablet
 - i. **For PCs**, use Windows Journal
 1. If you MS Vista, you should already have this program.
 2. If you have XP, you may have it or be able to download it. It may also come with your tablet.
 - ii. **For Macs**, use inkBook (<http://mac.rbytes.net/cat/mac/utilities/inkbook/>) or TabletDraw (http://www.apple.com/downloads/macosx/imaging_3d/tabletdraw.html)
 - iii. **For both PCs and Macs**, Corel Paint is an option.

4. Use a video camera

- a. Record your writing on a whiteboard
 - i. Keep in mind, it's the lesson that is of interest so try to focus on the whiteboard and not the surrounding area.
 - ii. Light marker colors can be hard to see so we suggest you test any colors you plan on using to make sure your viewers will be able to see them clearly.
- b. Record your writing on chalkboard (hey, there have to be a few of these left in the world!)

Screen capture/recording options

Record to a robust file format such as mp4, m4v, avi or mov.

Some screen capture software options are:

- Jing ProDownload (<http://www.jingproject.com/>). If using Jing Pro, before you record go to Preferences and make sure you are recording to MPEG-4
- ScreenToaster (<http://www.screentoaster.com/>)
- CamStudio (<http://camstudio.org>)