



Spark.A.Vision Instructions

Student Name: _____

User Name: _____ Password: _____

1. Complete your screenplay offline.

Get a copy of the paper version of the screenplay from your teacher.

Fill out the three sections: *What makes me special?* *Who am I in the future?* and *What am I doing to help my community and the world?*

Choose 12–18 statements to use in your video.

2. Log in.

Go to www.sparkavision.com.

Click *Log In/Out* at the top right.

Type the username and password given to you by your teacher.

3. Fill in your screenplay online.

Click *Create Your Screenplay*.

Fill in 12–18 statements from your screenplay.

You can add more text slides once you finish.

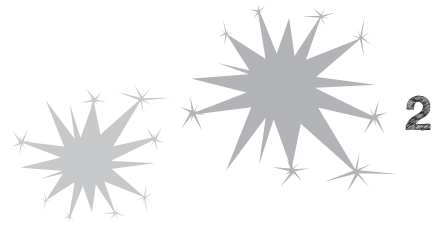
You are limited to 35 characters per slide, but once you have submitted the form, you can add more characters using the video editor.

Click *Submit* when you are finished and before you leave this class. If you don't, your video will not be saved.

4. Select a video theme.

Watch the sample videos and choose the theme you like best.

You can change the theme later.



5. Change the video title.

Click inside the *My Video Title* box.

Put your first and last name and a title for your Spark.A.Vision video in the box.

6. Review your text slides.

Click any slide and the down arrow to edit or delete.

To move a slide, click on it and move your cursor to the new spot.

To add more slides, click *Add More* and click *Title Slide*.

Note: You must click *Quick Preview* to save any changes before logging out.

Note: You can click *Help* in the toolbar if you have questions. A new window will open.

7. Add photos from stock content.

Click *Add Pictures*.

Click *Stock Content* and choose a category.

Choose a photo that relates to a text slide and double-click the photo.

8. Add text to your pictures.

Instead of (or in addition to) creating title slides, you can add text to any picture.

Roll your mouse over a picture, click the down arrow, and select *Add Text*.

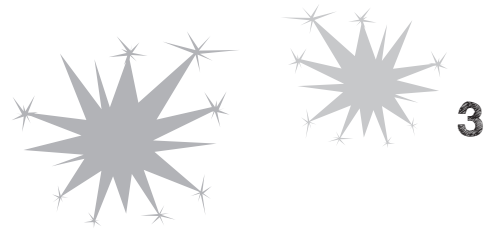
9. Add other photos and video.

Click *Add Pictures* and upload pictures and video from your computer.

Add pictures from Facebook, Flickr, Picasa, or Dropbox.

You will need an account and school access to use these features.

You can upload photos from your cell phone by downloading Dropbox, putting your photos in your Dropbox, and then uploading them.



10. Upload photos from Creative Commons.

Go to <http://search.creativecommons.org>.

Enter a search and click Wikimedia Commons or other sites.

Look for photos of 200 KB or greater (1200 by 900 or greater).

Find one or more photos and save to your desktop.

From *Add Pictures*, click *Upload Pictures and Video*.

Click on the photo from your desktop and upload.

11. Add audio.

Click *Add Audio*.

From *Music Lounge* select the type of music and a song.

Click once to hear it. Double-click it to add it to your video.

You can upload music from your computer.

Go to <http://visionvideohelp.com/using-audio> for detailed instructions.

Go to www.jamendo.com for free, legal music.

Note: Click *Quick Preview* at any time to see your progress.

12. Change your theme.

Click the icon to the left of *Project Settings* to see and try other themes for your video.

13. Export a video.

When your video is finished, click *Export*.

Remember, you can only export one video.

When you have exported your video you cannot change it.

14. After exporting your video.

Keep your user name and password. You can view your video for four years.

Your video will become part of a site with the other students in your class.

Save a copy of your video by downloading it to your desktop.

You can e-mail it, Tweet it, or put it on your Facebook wall.

Watch your video often!

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