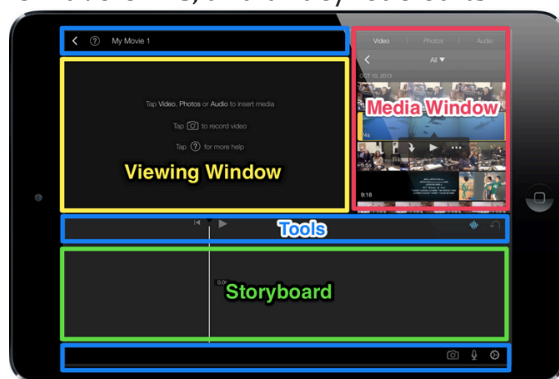# Creating a Project in iMovie

1. **Create a New Project**
   a. Launch iMovie and tap the **+** button in the top right corner to create a new project.
   b. You can choose between a *Movie* and a *Trailer*.
   c. Tap *Movie* and then choose a *theme*. You can tap the play button to watch a preview of each style. Choose one and tap *"Create Movie"* in the top right corner.

2. **Familiarize yourself with your screen**
   a. The media window on the right contains videos, photos and audio files from your device.
   b. The viewing window on the left is for previewing your iMovie.
   c. The tools window at the center allows you to rewind, preview your iMovie, show/hide audio waveforms, and undo/redo edits.

3. **Insert Video or Photo into Story Board**
   a. **Add entire clip:** Tap the clip then tap the arrow ⬇ .
   b. **Trim the clip before you add it:** Tap the clip, drag the yellow trim handles to select the portion of the clip you want to add, then tap the arrow.
   c. **Add clip as overlay:** Tap the clip, tap the more options button ⋯ , then tap one of the following options:
      Cutaway
      Picture-in-picture
      Split-screen

4. **Video Editing Options** Select video/photo clip by clicking it in storyboard.

   a. **Trim a Clip**
      i. Tap the video or photo you want to trim.
      ii. Drag the yellow trim handle to shorten or lengthen the clip or photo. ***If a trim handle won't move, it means there are not any additional frames of video on that end of the clip.*
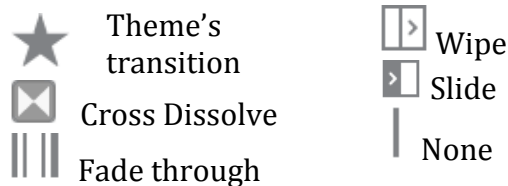
b. Split a Clip

    i. Scroll the project timeline in the storyboard to position the playhead (red vertical line) where you want to split the clip.

    ii. Tap the video clip then swipe down over the playhead to split the clip.

a. Transitions

    i. Tap the transition button between the clips you want to transition between.

    ii. Select the transition style:

★ Theme's transition	▷ Wipe
☒ Cross Dissolve	▷ Slide
‖‖ Fade through	| None

    iii. To change duration, tap the duration shown in the lower right, then choose desired duration. Duration cannot exceed 2 seconds.

b. Title your Clip

    i. Tap video or photo to select the clip you want to title.

    ii. Tap the T in the lower left corner to select the title style. Choose style by tapping on it.

    iii. Tap *"Center"* or *"Lower"* on the bottom of the screen to change location of title.

    iv. Tap "*None*" to turn off title.

    v. To shorten the time frame a title shows on a clip, split the clip.

5. Audio Editing Options: Select audio clip by clicking on video or audio file in storyboard.

a. Detach the audio from a video clip.

    i. Tap on a video clip from storyboard and then tap ✂ at the lower left of the screen.

    ii. A new blue-colored audio clip will appear beneath your video clip. You can now move, delete or edit the audio clip separately from parent video clip.

b. **Move audio to the background or foreground.**
   i. Select the audio clip you wish to move by tapping on it.
   ii. In the lower right, tap on *"Background"* or "*Foreground.*" The clip changes color to indicate whether its background (green) or foreground (blue or purple) audio.

c. **Move an audio clip.** *** *You cannot move background music clips (green)*
   i. Touch and hold the blue or purple audio clip until it pops off the timeline.
   ii. Drag the clip to a new location in the timeline and release.

d. **Trim the beginning and end of a song.**
   i. Tap audio clip (purple or blue) or the background music clip (green) you want to adjust.
   ii. Yellow trim handles will appear. Draw the handles at either end of the clip to the points you want the audio to begin and end. ****If the trim handle wont move right or left, it means there is no additional audio to work with on that end of the clip*

e. **Fade-in and Fade-out**

   i. Tap audio clip in the timeline then tap 🔊 at the lower left.
   ii. Tap "*Fade"* to reveal yellow fade handles at the beginning and end of your clip.
   iii. Drag the handles to set the duration of the fade-in and fade-out.

Fade handles

f. **Speed up or slow down audio**

   i. Tap audio clip in the timeline then tap ⏱ at lower left.
   ii. Drag the slider on the bottom of the screen to the relative speed you desire. Your clip will lengthen or shorten based on the speed you choose.

iMovie Projects Ideas

1. Presentations

2. Projects

3. Video Reports

4. Record out-of-school experiences

5. Digital Story-telling

6. Book Trailers/Reports