Using Google Slides

To begin, you first need to create a Google Slide presentation.



Next, you will need to name your presentation.



You now need to save the theme to your slides. I have named my slides "Digital Story."

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These are the basics for building a Google Slide. If you need more help, or if you would like to take it a step further, you can click on the "Help" tab. Then click "Training." This will give you many different supports.



Creating Your Digital Video Using Google Slides

Google has recently added the capability to add audio to its presentations. The following will guide you through the process to add audio to your presentation. I would recommend you time your digital story before creating the slide presentation. After you set your transitions, I would then recommend recording your audio while watching your presentation transition to ensure the transitions fit the events in your story.



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If you have a longer audio, you will need to increase the transition time.

To Create Transitions...

You will need to copy each slide for the number of seconds the slide will show. For example, if the slide is presented for 5 seconds, then you will need to copy it 5 times.

To copy a slide, right click on the slide you want copied, and choose "Duplicate Slide."



This will duplicate the slide. Repeat this for the number of seconds the slide is to be presented.





Be Aware! If you duplicate your first slide with the audio, the audio will also be duplicated. You will need to delete the audio on the first copy before making more copies.