

A decorative graphic consisting of a teal circle on the left, a horizontal bar with a teal-to-white gradient on the right, and two large brackets (one dark brown on the left, one teal on the right) framing the text.

Creating Online Course Materials Using Impatica

<http://faculty.seattlecolleges.com/jkent/workshops/impatica/>

Creating Online Course Materials Using Impatica for PowerPoint

Agenda

- why use Impatica
- when to use Impatica
- PowerPoint tips
- narration tips
- Impaticizing a PowerPoint
- copying to the web
- linking to a presentation

Why Use Impatica?

- develop using Mac or Windows
- creates small, web friendly files
- no learning curve if you already know PowerPoint
- can install on home computer for free

Use Impatica When

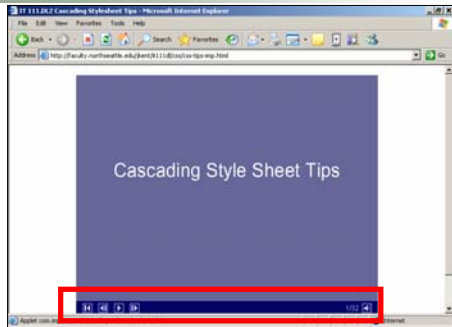
- you want to narrate a presentation
- your presentation is longer than 10 minutes and/or uses lots of images
 - sound and/or images increase file size substantially
 - Impatica compresses file so it can be used online
 - frees up web server space if yours is limited

PowerPoint Tips

- design for 800 by 600 screen resolution
 - File → Page Setup... change slide width to **7.5 inches** and slide height to **5.6 inches**
- insures that the player controls will appear on screen without scrolling
- see next slides...

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[Fit for 800 X 600]



Player controls display without scrolling

[Too Big for 800 X 600]

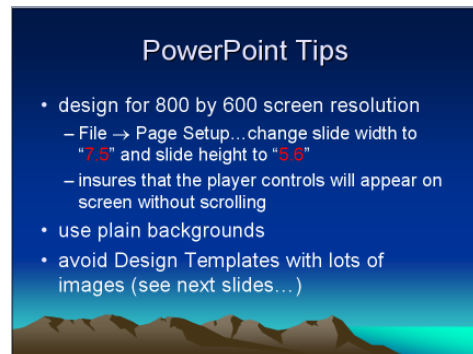


Player controls out of view

[More PowerPoint Tips]

- use plain backgrounds
- light background and dark text recommended
- avoid "Design Templates" with lots of images (see next slides...)

Avoid!



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Okay

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Try it!

- double click to open **impatica-practice.ppt**
- select **File → Page Setup...**
 - change width to 7.5 inches
 - change height to 5.6 inches
- select **Format → Slide Design... → Color Schemes**
 - select a color scheme

PowerPoint Tips Con't

- reuse objects if possible
 - must be identical
 - for example, if you use arrows to focus viewers' attention, copy and paste same arrow throughout presentation
- large images should go towards end of presentation
 - so they don't slow down the beginning of the show
 - use graphics software (like Photoshop Elements) to reduce file size

PowerPoint Tips Con't

Add Custom Animation to each slide if desired.



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Try it!

- select **Slide Show** → **Custom Animation**
- go to first slide and click on title
- click **Add Effect** button → then **Entrance** → then choose an effect
- I like **Fly In** → **From Left**
- add to each one of the slides

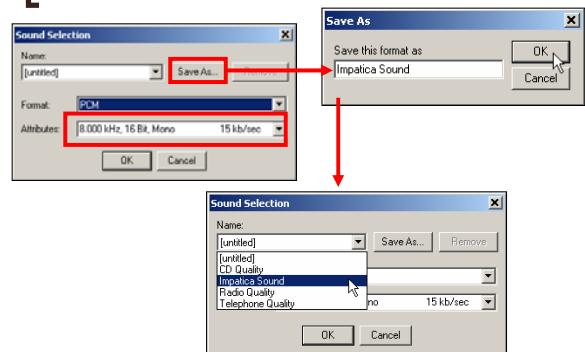
Narration Tips

- use a script
- identify yourself at beginning
- spend more time on first slide
- then, be as brief as possible
 - 30 – 60 seconds per slide
 - for teaching this can be adjusted
- put some life into your voice but avoid over dramatic delivery

Narrating

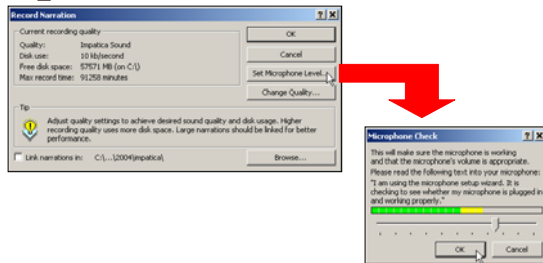
- select **Slide Show** → **Record narration...**
 - check microphone level
 - click **Change Quality** button & use these settings to configure sound
 - 8,000 kHz, 16 bit, Mono
 - Save As → **Impatica Sound**
 - see next slides...

Saving Sound Settings

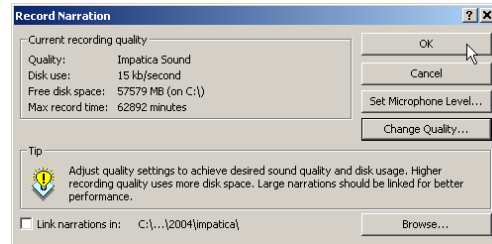


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Checking Mic Level



Preparing to Record

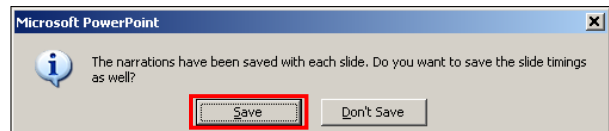


Do **NOT** click the "Link narrations in:" box!

Record Narration

- pause 1 or 2 seconds before advancing to next slide
- pause 1 or 2 seconds before narrating new slide
- use arrow keys to advance so mouse sounds aren't recorded
- when finished, select save narration with slide timings
- see next slide...

Save Slide Timings

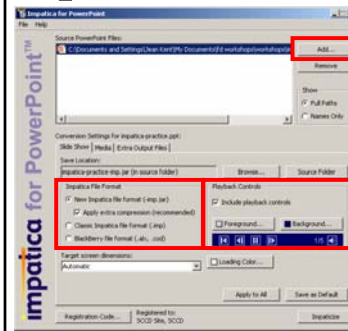


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Try it!

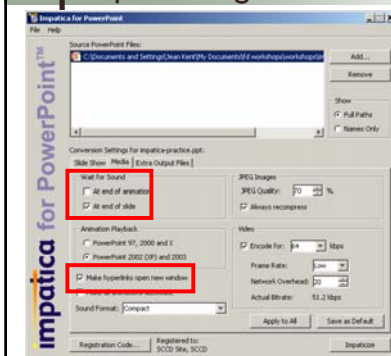
- click **Slide Show** → **Record Narration...**
- click **Change Quality...** button and select correct settings with **Attributes** list (8,000 kHz, 16 Bit, Mono)
- **Save As...** and name it Impatica Sound
- click **Set Microphone Level...**
- record your narration!

Impaticizing a PowerPoint



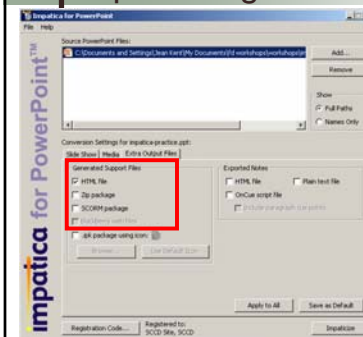
- open Impatica
- click **Add...** button and locate file
- on **Slide Show** tab, use defaults shown to left
- check **Include playback controls** box

Impaticizing a PowerPoint



- on **Media** tab, use defaults shown to left
- Wait for Sound **At end of slide**
- **Make hyperlinks open in new window**

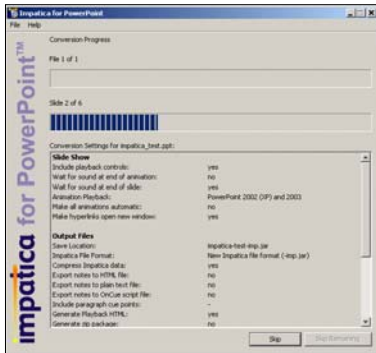
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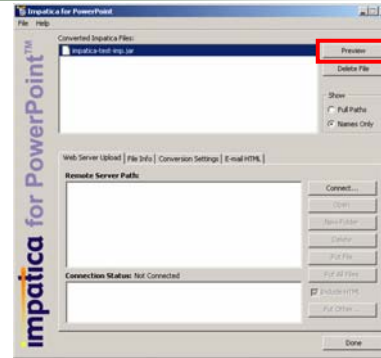
- on **Extra Output Files** tab, use settings shown to left
- Check **Zip package** if using with WebCT or Blackboard
- click **Impaticize**

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Conversion Begins



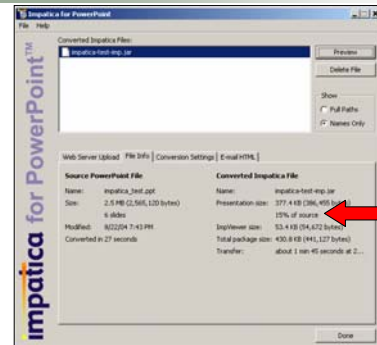
Preview!



Try it!

- open Impatica and add your presentation to the **Source** box
- check settings
 - make sure **Include playback controls** is checked
 - use defaults for all other choices
- finally click **Impaticize** button
- click **Preview** button to view

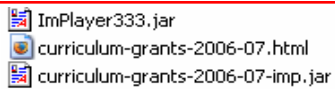
File Info



Compressed to 15% of source.

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[Files to Copy to Web]



- 3 new files created in conversion
- web page file – ends in .html
- the narrated presentation – name includes **-imp.jar**
- Impatica player – **ImPlayer333.jar**

[Making the Link]

[View and listen](#) to the presentation created with Impatica.

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<a href="curriculum-grants-2006-07.html">View and listen</a>  
to the presentation created with Impatica.
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[Getting Impatica]

- license allows you to install Impatica on home computer
- email me (jkent@sccd.ctc.edu) with request for download link and registration information
- contact me with questions or problems, too