

Tip Sheet: Making a video using GoAnimate

GoAnimate is a website that can be used to make quick animated videos. GoAnimate has a free version, but you must create an account first. This tip sheet will walk you through the steps of making a video, after you have created your account

1. At your computer, go to the Internet and type in www.goanimate.com. When the webpage pulls up, you will be prompted to enter your login information (email address) and password.
2. Next, you will click on the “make a video” tab in the top right corner.
3. The webpage will prompt you to select a pre-animated theme for your video. Find one that suits your subject matter and scroll over it, a box will appear that says, “make your video.” Click on it.
4. GoAnimate will take a moment to load the video workspace.
5. You are now on your creative work page. From this page you will select your characters, type your text, select voices, choose music or props, and select backgrounds. There are tabs with pictures for each of these choices in the top left corner of the screen. Click on a tab and the workspace is self-explanatory.
6. Once you have created all your characters, typed your text, replaced backgrounds and props, etc. You can edit your video from the same screen. At any time during this process you can also preview your video. To do this, press the “preview” button in the top right corner of your screen.
7. When you are satisfied with your editing, preview the video for the final time, then save your video.
8. Once your video has been saved, you can email it to friends and family for their viewing pleasure and they can make comments on your animation creation.
9. Have fun using GoAnimate and be creative!