How to use Windows Movie Maker

When you open Movie Maker this will be the first screen you will see.

Title

If you want to start your video with an introductory title, click on title shown in the red box.
The next screen called ‘text tools’ will appear. Here you can choose the background color, start time, and the time duration of the title.

You can also add effects to the appearing title in the red box below.
Add Photo

To add a photo or video click on the button ‘Add videos or photos’. Look through your files to find the right image or video and click on open.

Your chosen picture (or video) will appear.
If you click on the picture you want to edit, the video tools ‘edit’ tab will appear and here you can change the duration time of the picture or video.
Add video

To add a video go through the same steps as adding a photo. The red box down below shows the length of the video.

If you click on the video the video tools ‘edit’ tab will appear. Here you will be able to adjust the volume of the video, adjust the speed (slower or faster) of the video, split the video in two, or more parts, or adjust the start and end times.
**Animation tab**

Here you can choose to add an animation to a photo or video.

In the red box below, you can choose how long you want the animation to last and if you want to apply it to all of your photos and videos.
Add Visual effects tab

Here you can choose to add a visual effect, like black and white or sepia, to your photos or videos.

In the red box below you can adjust the brightness of the visual effect and also apply the visual effect to all of your videos or photos.
Caption

You can add caption to all your photos and videos, if you click on the caption button under the home tab.

The same applies to the caption than to adding a title. You can adjust the start time, duration time, apply effects, change the fonts, the same way as you would make changes to the title.
Add music

To add music you click on the ‘Add music’ button under the Home tab. If you click on the little arrow you can also choose to add music at the current point.

The music file will appear above the chosen video or photo.
When a music file is added the music tools tab ‘option’ will appear. Here you can adjust the starting time, starting point, and end point. Also, you can adjust the volume and choose to make the sound fade in or fade out.
Adding credits

If you want to add credits to your project click ‘credits’ in the home tab.

You can change the font, start time, duration time, and apply effects the same as the title and captions.
Saving your project

Movie maker allows you to save your project on your computer, but you can also immediately upload it to youtube, skydrive, windows life groups, facebook and flickr. You can either do this in the home tab or choose the option publish movie in the dropdown menu.

You can also save your project for different settings, like phones, email, computer or DVD.