Part 1) Capturing

Once you have shot your video, you need to transfer it from the camera to the computer.

You can only do this if you have a Firewire (IEEE 1394) connection in your computer. If you do, simply attach the Firewire cable from your camera to your computer. Open up Windows Movie Maker and turn your camera on to the VCR setting. The following screen will pop up (Figure 1). *If you do not have a Firewire connection on your computer, they are relatively easy and inexpensive to install.*

Here is where you can pick the sections of your tape that you want on your computer. Once this raw footage is on your computer you can shorten, delete, and rearrange different clips. You can also add music, narration, transitions, and titles.
Part 2) Editing

The program has three basic areas: your media, a view screen, and a timeline/storyboard. Here is where you view, edit, and arrange your media. Besides the video that you capture, your media includes your video clips, still pictures, narration, and music. You arrange all of these elements on the timeline/storyboard.

![Figure 2. Components of Movie Maker](image)

**Getting Media**

To get media, you need to go to File, Import into Collections and choose whatever audio, video, or images you want to use in your video.
Working with the Screen
When you click on a piece of media, it will show up in the screen. Here you can split it into smaller pieces or take a still picture.

Figure 3. The Viewer

Working with the Timeline/Storyboard

Timeline/Storyboard is where you add transitions, audio, narrations, and titles. You can switch between views by clicking Show Timeline or Show Storyboard.

Figure 4. Storyboard and Timeline