



Jing

What is Jing?

Jing is a free screen capture product by TechSmith, the maker of Camtasia Studio, Screencast, and SnagIt. It has two distinct functions:

Short narrated video (up to five minutes) of your computer screen.

- ◆ You can use a built in mic or an external mic.
- ◆ You can record a video image or a screen image.
- ◆ You can save your work as a .swf file (to be played with Flash Pro or the free Flash Reader).
- ◆ With Jing Pro (\$14.99/year) you can save your work as an mpeg4 file so you can further edit it.

Annotated snapshot of your screen:

- ◆ You can draw arrows or add callouts.
- ◆ You can create and type into a text box, which will mask the image underneath.
- ◆ You can draw a box around a specific section.
- ◆ You can highlight a specific section with a transparent color.
- ◆ You can save your work as a .png file.

Jing also allows you to easily upload your work to the web.

- ◆ To Screencast.com (2 GB of free storage, and 2 GB of bandwidth per month). Uploads remain private unless made public.
- ◆ To your own FTP server.

Why Would You Use It?

- ◆ Give verbal feedback on digital assignments instead of printing them out.
- ◆ Make narrated “how-to” videos for students.
- ◆ Use it when troubleshooting a problem you or your students are having.
- ◆ Jing makes it easy to add your content to YouTube, Flickr and other social media tools.
- ◆ Capture something you’re working on, annotate it, and then send it to colleagues to solicit feedback.
- ◆ Embed videos and images in your Springboard! course.

How Do You Get Started?

Complete the following steps:

1. Install Jing on your computer (www.jingproject.com)
2. Explore the three rays of the Jing sun:
 - Capture
 - History
 - More
3. If you desire higher quality audio, investigate using an external mic. However, since the audio files are compressed, this application is not designed for high fidelity recording.
4. Play! If you are going to move through several screens while doing a video capture, make sure your initial “frame” is large enough to accommodate whatever opens next.

How Do You Get Training?

Design & Development Services can provide individual or small group training and can provide links to tutorial resources or develop tutorial resources as staffing allows.

How Can You Get Help?

Design & Development Services can provide technical support and general tutorial support. We can provide consulting for the instructional use of Jing.

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Getting to Know Jing!

