

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING THE SLIDESHOW CREATION TOOL

The tool may be downloaded at:

<http://contemporarychemistry.com/protected/slideshow/builder2.swf>

This has been designed to be a fairly intuitive tool. We suggest that you attempt to create a trial slideshow BEFORE reading the instructions below. If you do need help at any stage, detailed instructions follow:

### SELECTING AND VIEWING THE ANIMATIONS AND ILLUSTRATIONS

1. Open the slideshow creation tool at

<http://contemporarychemistry.com/protected/slideshow/builder2.swf>

2. Click the "New Slideshow button

3. In the window that opens, you have the choice of searching for animations and illustrations either by keywords or by chapter number. If you choose chapter 1 (the only one loaded in the database at the time of writing), multimedia module animations and text illustrations from Chapter 1 (Chemical Principles) are automatically downloaded into the page. You could also search by the keyword "atom."

4. At this point, you can click the "View Animation" button and scroll over the list in the left panel to view each illustration (IL) and interact with each animation (AN).

5. When the animation window is closed, you can also read a description of the illustration or animation in the middle panel.

6. Having decided which of the animations and illustrations, you wish to include in your slideshow, you may now click the box next to the title in the order of the titles you wish to include. This will cause that title to appear in the right hand box.

7. Scan the list of topics in the right hand box. You can remove a title by selecting it and clicking the "Remove" button at the bottom of this box.

8. Now click the green "next" button in the lower right hand corner. You are taken to a new page containing the list of chosen topics in the left hand box. You still can view any slide by selecting it and clicking the "View Animation" button at the bottom of this box.

9. When you are satisfied that you have chosen the appropriate titles, select each title and click the "Create Slide" button. You will see your selection appear in the middle box entitled "Slides."

10. If you wish to reorder the slides, you can select a slide and move it up or down using the green buttons with the up and down arrows to push the title up or down in the sequence.

## CREATE A CUSTOM TEXT POP-UP WINDOW

11. NOTE: You may create an optional popup text box by selecting a question and typing in the desired text into the right hand window. You may wish to experiment with the centering of the text in this window, if this is desired.

## ADDING PRE-MADE and CUSTOM QUESTIONS

11. You are now ready to select or create questions to attach to the animation/illustration.

12. With most of the animations, there will be a previously prepared question that appears with animation in the multimedia module and that is loaded into the database in the same entry as the animation. If you wish to use this animation, simply click the "Load Pre-made Questions" button. You will notice in the "Questions:" box of the popup window that there may be multiple questions loaded with a single click. This indicates a series of questions is available for a single animation. Click on each of these questions and you will see

the wording in each of the appropriate boxes. These questions are fully editable by the user. Furthermore, you have the option of eliminating any of these questions by selecting that question and clicking the "Remove Question" button. The order of each of the questions in the "Questions:" box can be changed by selecting a question and clicking either of the green buttons with the up or down arrows. You may mix previously prepared questions with custom made questions.

13. To create an original essay-type question, click the "Question/Answer" button. You can first give the question a short name, if you wish in the "Question name:" box. Then, simply type in the blank boxes your essay question, a helpful hint, and as long and as detailed an answer as you wish (there is a scrollbar and therefore there is no limit!). You can use this long answer to introduce a new concept, if you wish.

14. If you wish to create an original multiple-choice question, click this button, name the question, if you wish, then fill in the question in the corresponding box. In the left hand set of boxes, put your correct answer in the corresponding left hand box. In the right hand Correct/Response box, place the word "Correct." and elaborate on why the answer is correct. This helps the student who guesses correctly! In the "Incorrect" boxes place the incorrect answers in the left hand boxes and the reasons why this answer is incorrect in the right hand boxes.

## SAVING AND EDITING THE SLIDESHOW

15. Having selected and ordered the slides and added questions and text boxes, you are now ready to save the slideshow. Click the lower right hand "Next" button. Fill in the blanks of the save menu with a descriptive name, give a simple password, confirm the password, and click the "Save" button. Please make a written record of these two items.

16. Editing the slideshow is simple. After opening the slideshow tool, instead of clicking the "New Slideshow" button, enter the title of the

slideshow and the password in the appropriate places and click the "Load" button. Edit the slideshow and save.

## SHOWING THE SLIDESHOW

To view the slideshow, go to the following URL:

<http://contemporarychemistry.com/protected/slideshow/viewer.swf>

Type in the name of the slideshow title and click the "Load" button.

You should see the slides, buttons for any questions either downloaded or created, and buttons for any text messages created. Use the triangular buttons at the bottom right and left to bring up new slides or reverse to a previously shown slide. Good luck!

Should you any problems with this procedure, please do not hesitate to contact me [conradt@udel.edu](mailto:conradt@udel.edu) or 610-388-7093 .

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