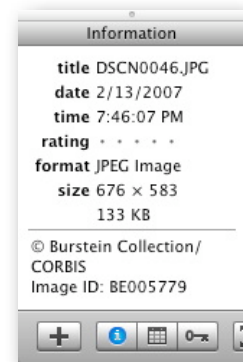


## Making a Storybook with Keynote and Audio Recorder

Keynote is used more than just for typical “here’s what I learned” presentations. You can also use it to create a storybook, either a multimedia version with sound, images and text or a more traditional version of images and text that you will print out and bind together.

### I. Getting Ready

- A. You might consider outlining the book in Inspiration first and completing a written script. Divide your script into slides/pages.
- B. Storybooks often have great art. You can make your own drawings and scan them in the library. Save them into your server folder and then insert them into Keynote or into iPhoto and then Keynote later.
- C. You can also take digital images with a camera or use images found at Corbis ([www.learningcommons.org](http://www.learningcommons.org) > DLC Library > Corbis) or United Streaming ([www.unitedstreaming.com](http://www.unitedstreaming.com) > username: secondaryshorelinestudent, password: secondaryshorelinestudent). Drag or import them into iPhoto. Click on each one, make sure the Info box is showing, and enter the citation into the comments box or copy and paste the image’s URL there, if you obtained it from a Google search.
- D. Rehearse your narration in your clearest and most expressive voice.
- E. If you’d like to have audio (like a song) playing in the background of your presentation, import it into iTunes. We’ll insert the file later into Keynote.



**Fig. 1** In iPhoto click on the *i* to enter the citation in the comment box..

### II. Creating the Presentation

- A. The easiest way to start a keynote presentation is by using one of its stylish themes. If you don’t like it you can always choose another. Access different slide designs through the Masters drop-down list in the toolbar.



**Fig. 2** Open the Inspector and Media Browser from the toolbar.

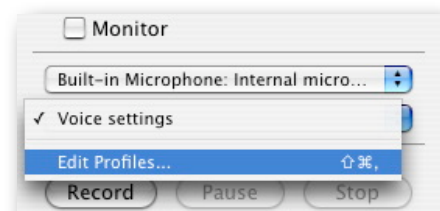
- B. Enter your text first. Picture books often have their text at the bottom of the page. Use a Master with just a title and then left justify the text.
- C. Next, drag and drop images from the Media Browser into your slides. Resize as necessary.
- D. Now’s the time to print your presentation if you don’t care about adding audio.



**Fig. 3** Drag images from the Media Browser into your slides.

### III. Recording Audio

- A. Audio Recorder is a great little application to, well, record audio. Launch it.
- B. Let’s adjust the settings for good quality audio while maintaining reasonable file size. Under the Voice Settings > Edit Profiles. I use MP4 (M4A), 48 kbps and mono.

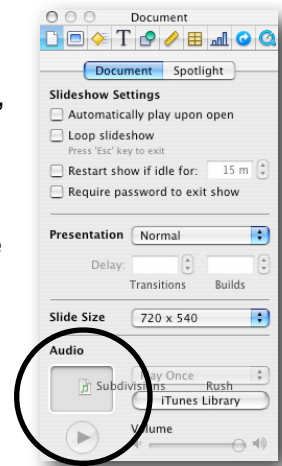


**Fig. 4** Adjust Audio Recorder’s settings.

- C. Click on the Record button and record the content of the page. Save the file with the page number in the filename. Repeat the process for each page. Replay the files to determine their quality, and record again as necessary.

#### IV. Adding Audio

- A. In typical Apple fashion, you can simply drag the audio files into each slide. Click on QuickTime button in the Inspector and make sure that the volume is up.
- B. If you'd like to have a song play in the background of the presentation, open the Media browser > Audio > iTunes Library and drag the file into the audio well at the bottom of the Document panel of the Inspector. Slide the volume down.
- C. Play the presentation to assess the need for volume level adjustments.



**Fig. 5** Add a song that you'd like to play in the background to the Document panel in the Inspector.