

Match on Action

Activity 1

Good match on action technique helps create the illusion of fluid movement across the screen. Following the step by step directions below, create a short video where the actor walks through the hall and into the classroom, and takes a seat at his desk. Remember to use proper Match on Action technique. The video must include a title and end credits. You must use a minimum of 6 clips. It is worth 25 points and will be due at the end of the period Friday, March 6th.

Grading criteria...

- Movement must appear fluid.
- Must include a minimum of 6 clips.
- You must follow the 3 rules we discussed in class.
 - Cut in the middle of the action
 - Avoid letting your actor walk out of frame
 - Avoid letting your actor walk so far past the camera, we see the back of their head.

Getting started

1. Open Final Cut Pro.
2. Click File > New > Event. Name your event *Match on Action*. Click OK.
3. Click File > New > Project. Name your project "*Your Name*" *Match on Action*. Click OK.

Import footage

4. Click File > Import > Media.
5. Under Room 1 Student Share, select and Import the footage of your choice under the folder *Match on Action* > Option 1 or Option 2. *You might want to copy the footage onto your own computer first, then import it from there.

Creating your movie

6. Select the clips you want to add to your movie.
7. Drag and drop those clips onto your timeline.
8. Using the editing tools and the Match on Action methods and techniques that we discussed in class, create a short video where the actor's actions and movements appear fluid and seamless.

Add a Title

9. Click on the Titles and Generators icon on the toolbar above your media bin (It's the icon with the capital "T").
10. From the selections provided, select and drag the title that you would like to use

and drop it at the beginning of your timeline. (Note: Dropping it on the track above your clips will make the title show on top of your video. Dropping on the same track as your clips will make it so that the title is shown first, and then the video will play.)

11. Once you have placed your title at the beginning of your video, double-click it.

12. In the text box that appears in your canvas, type a name for your movie.

Add End Credits

13. Repeat steps 11-14 to add end credits to your video.

Export/"Share" your movie

14. Click File > Share > Master File (default).

15. Click on Settings

16. Change Format to Computer.

17. Ensure that each setting is as follows...

Video Codec: H.264 Faster Encode

Resolution: 1280 x 720

Open With: QuickTime Player (default)

18. Click Next.

19. Ensure that the name of your movie and file destination are correct.

20. Click Save.