Adobe Voice

[Adobe Voice is a free iPad storytelling app](#) that helps you to create a video, complete with music and transitions, from images, text, and your own voice. The final product is a video file that maybe be embedded, linked to, or exported. If you decide to use a Voice story for your course, you must provide a transcript that includes the spoken words and a description of any images that provide additional information.

Planning

1. Create a storyboard for your video that includes main ideas and supporting images page by page.
2. Write the script for everything you plan to say for each page.
   - Collect the images you plan to use. The larger and higher quality the images, the better.

Import images from Box App

[Install the FREE Box app](#) on your iPad to sync images from your UIS Box account to your iPad for use in your Slate stories.

Screen Layout

Main menu: contains the Page Layout selection, Theme formatting options, Music options, and Sharing options. The Layout options are open here. Choose what appears on your page in this menu.

Page editing area: Add icons, photos or text to the screen by click on the plus sign (+).

Recording area: Press and hold the microphone button to record audio for the page.

Bottom panel: Preview your video, select a different page to edit, or add a page.

Figure 1 The editing screen for the Adobe Voice app

Building your Voice story

1. Create your Title
2. Select story structure (promote an idea, invitation, explain something, etc) or choose to create your own.
3. Record a line of your story by pressing and holding the orange record button.
4. Add "things" to the page. Choose a layout for the page from the layout menu, then use the plus (+) button to add images, search for standard icons that support your story, or type text.
5. Choose a Theme. A theme controls the visual format (text, colors, and transitions between pages) of your Voice project.
6. Select your Music. The music plays behind your voice.

Exporting your video

Figure 2 Sharing your Adobe Voice video

1. Save video to camera roll using the camera icon.
2. Share via link by selecting the clip board.

Accessibility Considerations

If you choose to use Adobe Voice to create lessons for your course, you'll need to take additional actions to make them accessible. You have two options:

1. Provide an alternate format, such as a script of all spoken words, as well as a description of the images being shown.
2. Add captions. If you've saved your video to you Camera Roll, you can upload it to YouTube or Kaltura, both of which support captioning.

For YouTube

1. Turn on the AutoCaption tool and then edit the captions for accuracy.
2. If you have a written transcript, you may upload it and the YouTube Automatic Timing feature will sync it to your video.

For Kaltura

If you choose to use Kaltura, you'll need to provide a caption file with the timing marking to be uploaded to Kaltura by the UIS Information Technology Staff.

Student Projects

Since this app is only available for iPads, Voice is a good OPTIONAL tool for use in your course assignments. For students who have access to an iPad, it is easy to learn and free to install. I would suggest using it only in assignments where you have other acceptable tools, such as TechSmith Relay, PowerPoint, Windows MovieMaker, or iMovie.