

On the menu bar, you will find a label called Transitions. A transition is the way it changes from one slide to the next slide. You may have seen fade outs and things like that in movies. And so you can add a different transition, of course, to each slide that you have. So for instance, this could be a push, this one could be a wipe. And it'll show up with a little animation star on the sidebar when you've applied one to it. You can change the timing to make it longer, shorter. You could apply a transition so that it's the same one to all your slides.

You have effect options for whether you're going to wipe from the top, the bottom, the left corner, some of those things as well. To demonstrate those, I'll need to open it actually in PowerPoint. I'll download it in a moment. I first want to show you animations as well. So we click on animations, and you need to click on an object that you're going to animate. I'll go back to the slide that I added in here with the title for this video. And if I click on the little frog character and click on animations, I can select. And there's a variety of them, whether you wanted to fly in or grow and spin and that kind of thing. So I'll put it on that one. Yeah, I'll go ahead and put it on the star, this object, into an animation there as well, and then make this a different one, just so that you can see the effects. So, this one will maybe make it split in half.

OK, so now I need to open this in PowerPoint itself so that I can demonstrate these to you. So I'm going to go ahead and download as a copy. And it's downloading. And it's downloaded, so now I can go ahead and play from whatever slide I want, so there's no transition added to this one. So I want to go ahead and start playing from there, and then play it for a couple of slides. So I'll go ahead and click Play from Start. And my screen's a little bigger than this, but if I then click or use the down arrow, it transitions me to the next one. And here's the animation with the frog coming in and spinning. And there's the star, that went ahead and split in half.

Now, you can also animate text boxes by selecting it, going to animations, and then have it come in as a fly-in kind of thing. And notice how it flew up from the bottom. Or you could have it peek in, or a randomized effect, do a shape kind of thing. So experiment with those. You notice there's some emphasis. There's a path animation. So if I go to the frog, do the path animation, and I can then choose how I'd like to do it. I'll do a draw squiggle. This will let me squiggle it, as you can see the effect. So you can have fun, but remember that in a good presentation it's the point that you want to get across, not having things flying all over the screen. But it is fun to play with and then pick something that does the right job to get the attention to the message you're delivering. OK, thanks.