ExplorNet's Digital Media II





- Determine the overall purpose of the project.
- ☐ Define the intended target audience.
- Agree on deadlines for phases of project.
- ☐ Create a budget.
- ☐ Select color scheme and typography.





| Ch | oose the appropriate software. |
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| | Adobe Flash |
| | ☐ Former standard 2D animation software that is used to create games, advertisements, websites and more. |
| | Adobe Animate |
| | ☐ An HTML-based 2D animation software that specializes in creating animations for the internet using HTML5 code. Replaces Flash. |



■ Adobe AfterEffects Tool for video compositing, motion graphics design, and animation. Adobe Character Animator A character animation application that allows you to bring expressive characters to life using your own artwork. ■ Maxon Cinema 4D Studio/Autodesk Maya The industry standard 3D animation software that creates three-dimensional models and animates them in a virtual environment.



| Ga | ther and manage digital assets. |
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| | Convert files |
| | ☐ Make sure files are in the proper format in order to access and edit them in the software. |
| | File-naming convention |
| | ☐ Come up with a consistent way to name all files to assure proper organization. |
| | File organization |
| | Organize all files in appropriate folders for easy and quick access. |



- ☐ Create storyboard.
 - Sketch out each major scene or phase of the animation. Provide the client with detailed information describing what's happening in each scene.
 - ☐ Identify transitions between scenes.
 - □ Describe other parts of the animation such as audio, interactive buttons, etc.



Production

- Import existing graphics, audio and/or video into library of animation project.
- Draw or create original graphics and place them on independent layers.
- Animate the objects according to the storyboard.





Post-Production

- ☐ Debug the animation.
 - Preview the animation and check for undesired movement or errors.
 - Use a debugger program to check the ActionScript code for syntax or omission errors.
 - □ Address any errors that are detected.





Post-Production

- ☐ Export/Publish the animation.
 - Choose the correct file format based on client requirements.
 - Distribute the exported animation for client review.
 - □ Preview and check for errors.



Post-Production

- Optimize the animation output file for specific client needs, including:
 - □ Primary use of animation
 - ☐ File size requirements
 - ☐ File format requirements