

# Clay Animation

Stop-motion animation requires you to create a clay figure and take a series of digital photographs. For each photograph, you will make a very small change in the placement of the clay. When the photos are put together and shown in a rapid sequence, it will look like the figure is moving (animated). To create the animation, the photos can be dropped into a PowerPoint presentation and played as a slide show at a rapid pace. There are also many animation apps and programs designed specifically for stop-motion animation.

## What You Need:

- Modeling clay
- Camera, phone, tablet or other device for taking digital photos
- Computer/device with PowerPoint or animation app



## What You Do:

1. For an example of stop motion animation using clay, watch ["How Claymation Movies Are Made."](#) (Press CTRL and click on title to watch.)
2. To make your own stop-motion animation, make a clay figure and then take a series of digital photos. For each photograph, make a very small change in the placement of the clay. When the photos are put together and shown in a rapid sequence, it will look like the figure is moving (animated).
3. Keep the figure's structure fairly simple in order to easily make changes and movements.
4. Upload your photos in order into PowerPoint or animation app,
5. Press play!