

Student of the Week

How can you help students feel good about themselves and the role they play in your classroom? What are some ways that students can learn more about each other? One way is to create a student of the week presentation. This multimedia presentation features information about a different student each week.



Plan It

Create a presentation that introduces your classroom's student of the week. Look at the following example:

<p>Jamaal Rodgers</p> <p>Student of the Week Room 6B April 23-27, 2007</p>	<p>Interesting Facts about Jamaal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jamaal is 12 years old.• He is an all-star soccer player.• He has a twin sister named Janeen.• He has a pet frog. 
<p>Jamaal's Classroom Accomplishments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jamaal runs the school recycling program.• His grades in science and social studies have increased.• He is a great participant in class and has many ideas to share. 	<p>Congratulations to Jamaal for being selected as Student of the Week!</p> <p>Keep up the great work!</p>

Student of the Week Presentation Example

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Think about the following questions, and if working with a partner, discuss your ideas. Writing your ideas on a sheet of paper or drawing rough sketches of your slides might be helpful.

- What is the name of a student who you would like to be your classroom's student of the week? When does the student's term as student of the week begin and end?
- What are two or three personal facts that others may not know about the chosen student?
- What are two or three specific classroom accomplishments that you would like to share about the student?
- How might you summarize or conclude the presentation?
- What are some ways you can make the presentation interesting to others?

For help on how to do certain tasks, look at the following groups in the Intel® Education *Help Guide*:

- **Multimedia Group 3:** Building Presentations
- **Multimedia Group 4:** Making Slides Look Good
- **Multimedia Group 5:** Adding Words
- **Multimedia Group 6:** Adding Pictures and Artistic Effects
- **Multimedia Group 8:** Adding Animation and Special Effects



Do It

1. Start the multimedia software, and open new, blank presentation.
2. Insert a Title slide. If necessary, switch to Normal View.
3. Click the title text box at the top of the slide. Type the name of the student you have chosen as this week's student of the week.
4. Click the subtitle text box at the bottom of the slide. Type "Student of the Week". Then on the line below, type the date information for the student's term as student of the week.

Challenge: If Internet connectivity is available, feel free to download any media files that you want to include in the presentation.

Challenge: Add a sound or music file to play on the title slide. You might also consider adding a movie or video file. (See the Slide 1 Challenge Example at the end of this section.) (For help, see Multimedia Skill 7.1: To add a sound or music file from the Clip Gallery/Organizer, Multimedia Skill 7.2: To add a sound or music file saved on your computer, Multimedia Skill 7.6: To add a movie or video file from the Clip Gallery/Organizer, and Multimedia Skill 7.7: To add a movie or video file saved on your computer.)

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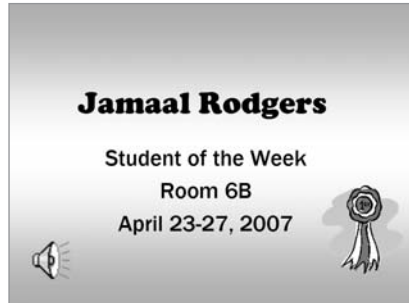
5. Insert a new slide with space for a title, text, and clip art.
6. Click the title text box at the top of the slide. Type a title that explains that the slide will contain interesting personal information about the student. Then, change the font, size, style, and color of the text. To create visual consistency, the text should look similar to the presentation title on the first slide.
7. Click the text box in the bottom corner of the slide. Replace the text with a bulleted list of interesting information about the student of the week. Change the look of the text.
8. Click, or double-click if necessary, the picture box in the opposite bottom corner of the slide. Insert a clip art picture that is related to the information about that student. Resize the picture if needed.
9. Insert a duplicate slide. Then, repeat Steps 6–8 to complete a slide about the student’s classroom accomplishments.
10. Insert a Title Only slide. In the title text box, type one or two sentences that summarize and conclude the presentation.
11. Return to Slide 1 and fill the slide background with a fill effect, such as a gradient or pattern/hatching. Be sure to apply that same color to the background of all slides in your presentation. (For help, refer to Multimedia Skill 4.3: To change a slide’s background color.)
12. To help the presentation flow smoothly from one slide to the next, add transitions between all of the slides. To create a consistent visual look, consider applying the same transition to all slides.

Challenge: After you apply transitions to your slides, go back and add animation effects to the text and pictures. (For help, see Multimedia Skill 8.3: To add animation or movement to an object, or Multimedia Skill 8.4: To add animation effects to words, or to add an animation scheme.) You may need to set the order and timing so they play properly. (**Note:** Because adding animation does not greatly affect the look of a slide, this is not reflected in the Challenge Example at the end of this section.) (For help, see Multimedia Skill 8.13: To set the order and timing on a slide with many special effects.)

Steps 9 and 10: You are provided with specific suggestions about the format of the new slides you insert. However, feel free to insert another type of slide if it is better suited for the content. You can also change a slide’s format later as needed. For help, refer to Multimedia Skill 3.1: To add or insert a new slide, and Multimedia Skill 4.4: To change a slide’s current layout.

Challenge: Animation effects can make presentations more interesting. However, too many animation effects can distract viewers and make information difficult to read or understand. Limit the amount of animation effects that you add to your slides. If you have many effects on the same slide, set the order and timing so they play in an organized manner.

13. Play your presentation to make sure everything works correctly. Make any necessary changes.
14. Save your work as directed.



Student of the Week Presentation Slide 1 Challenge Example



Review It

Look over your student of the week presentation. Make sure it has the following elements:

- A title slide that names the student of the week
- A slide with interesting personal information about the student of the week
- A slide with information about the student's classroom accomplishments
- Background fill effects and transitions that make the presentation interesting to viewers

If any elements are missing, add them to the student of the week presentation now. You should also make other desired changes. Remember to save your work when you are finished.



Share It

Be prepared to discuss your answers to the following questions during sharing time:

- How might the student of the week presentation help all of your students feel that they play an important role in your classroom?
- What was the most challenging skill or task in completing this presentation? How did you manage to complete that skill or task?
- What is your favorite multimedia skill? Why?