



About Captivate:

Adobe Captivate (formerly Macromedia Captivate, formerly RoboDemo) automatically records all onscreen actions and instantly creates an interactive Flash simulation. Point and click to add text captions, narration, and e-learning interactions without any programming knowledge.

Demonstrations – View It. A demonstration allows the audience to watch recorded on-screen actions. The following are automatically generated when you create a Captivate demonstration:

- Mouse path
- Visual mouse clicks
- Explanations
- Standard playback controls

Simulations – Do it. A simulation allows the audience to interact with content. The following are automatically generated when you create a Captivate simulation:

- Interactive hot spots
- Prompts
- Instructional feedback
- Scoring & tracking of interactions

Captivate Demonstrations and Simulations can be easily integrated with Breeze Presenter and Breeze Meeting (Live)

System Requirements:

- 600 MHz Intel Pentium III processor or equivalent
- Windows 2000 or Windows XP
- 128 MB RAM (256 MB or more recommended)
- 100 MB available disk space
- Minimum resolution 800 x 600 (1024 x 768 or higher recommended)
- Internet Explorer 5.0 or later
- Flash Player 6 or later
- Microphone to record audio
- Speakers and sound card

How to get Captivate:

1. Come to the Production Studio at the Teaching and Technology Center (ML 94) - <http://www.mnsu.edu/its/ets/tnt/production.html>. Captivate is installed at Station #1.
2. Or download a free trial from: <http://www.macromedia.com/software/captivate>.

How it works -- in a nutshell:

- Open Captivate.
- On the Start Page, click **Record** or **Create a new movie**.
- Select one of the recording options and click **OK**.
- Click **Record** to begin recording a new movie in the size you specified.

Tutorials:

- Refer to the attached tutorials (taken from <http://www.communitymx.com>)
 - [Creating a Captivate Movie - Part 1](#)
 - [Creating a Captivate Movie - Part 2](#)
 - [Creating a Captivate Movie - Part 3](#)
- Product manuals from Macromedia
 - <http://www.macromedia.com/support/documentation/en/captivate>

Useful resources:

About Captivate and its features

- http://www.macromedia.com/software/captivate/productinfo/features/brz_tour

Sample demonstrations

- D2L Demonstration with audio narration: <http://www.mnsu.edu/its/ets/tutorials/d2ldemo.htm>
- How to Insert a Hyperlink: <http://www.mnsu.edu/its/ets/tutorials/sample2.htm>
- Sample from Captivate: <http://www.macromedia.com/software/captivate>

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Online tutorials

- <http://www.macromedia.com/support/documentation/en/captivate>

Captivate vs. Camtasia

- <http://meredith.wolfwater.com/wordpress/index.php/index.php?p=206>