

Discovering P.L.A.C.E

What is a Flip videocam?

A Flip is a pocket-sized videocam that makes it easy to shoot good-quality video. The Flip provided to your school features image stabilization so video turns out less blurry.

Why use a Flip in the classroom?

Video is another way to record, archive and share your projects, and a unique way to capture student perspectives. Unlike a larger camcorder, the Flip is easy to transport and use.

Shooting video with the Flip

- **Recharging:** The Flip recharges from the USB slot on your computer. With the camera's button turned toward you, slide the switch at the left to unlatch the USB arm, and plug it into your computer (while the computer is on) to charge it.
- **Video recording:** Push the button on the right side to start the Flip, then push the large button in the center to start/ stop recording. Unlike a tape recorder, the Flip will put each video "clip" (the sequence between stops and starts) into a separate file.
- **Zoom:** Push + at the top to zoom in; push - at the bottom to zoom out.
- **Video playback:** Push the large arrow button at the top left to start/pause playback. Use the smaller, mid-level arrow buttons to view previous or next clips. Hold the buttons down during playback to fast-forward or rewind.
- **Deleting (from cam):** Push the delete (trash can) icon. You may generally wish to delete from your computer, unless you immediately need room to take more video.

Uploading video from the Flip

- **Copying video to computer:** Plug the USB arm into your computer's USB port. A Flip icon should appear on your desktop; click on it to view video clips (in folders). Alternately, click "Computer" to open files (see also flash drive tutorial). Drag files onto desktop; you can rename and upload to a sharing site, such as SchoolTube.
- **Deleting (from computer):** Once files are copied to your desktop, return to the Flip icon and right-click to delete files. Before ejecting the Flip, empty the trash can icon on your computer. You may want to leave the Flip plugged in at this point to recharge it.
- **Ejecting:** Similar to a flash drive, you should right-click the Flip icon to eject before unplugging its USB arm from the computer.

To learn more, go to

http://www6.nohold.net/CiscoFlip/ukp.aspx?pid=2&app=vw&vw=1&login=1&docid=3d5coa2e1f05489fbao4e874bad595d9_Film_Making_Crash_Course.xml.



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