



Key Vocabulary

Keyword	Definition
Animation	Creating an illusion of moving images using a series of still frames.
Animator	The artist who creates animations,
Computer graphics	Creating a single or multiple images using a computer.
Frame	An image that makes up a section or part in an animation.
Still image	A still image or frame that does not have any movement.
Stop motion	Still images linked together to create a moving picture

Point to the still image?	Who is the animator?
Explain what stop motion is?	What would happen if some frames were deleted?

What Is Animation?

Animation is the process of creating the illusion of moving images using a series of still **frames**. In this way, **animations** can appear to bring still objects or pictures to life. **Animators** create **animations** by either drawing each **frame** individually, using **stop motion** or by creating **computer graphics**.



Drawing

Drawing **animation** is when each **frame** is drawn individually and then arranged one after the other. When the **frames** are shown quickly in a sequence, it creates the illusion that the drawings are moving.

Drawing **animations** can be created using a thaumatrope or a kineograph, also known as a flipbook.



Stop Motion

Stop motion animation is a technique that involves moving an object in small increments and taking a photo of each **still image**. The **still images** are then linked together as part of a timed sequence to create a moving picture.



Stop motion animation uses 2D or 3D objects rather than pictures that have been drawn.

Editing

If your animation isn't right or working as you expect it to, look back through your frames and identify the one(s) that need changing. Make sure to make small changes so the frames blend together well.