



## Ed Tech Tools for Screencasting

### Active Presenter

Go to <http://atomisystems.com/activepresenter/> and download the free edition.

Note: there are tutorials and a user manual at the bottom of this page.

Runs on Windows XP, Vista, Windows 7.

Pro version with Education discount \$99.

Free version does not import powerpoint slides.

Launch Active Presenter.

Click New Capture. Choose from:

Full Motion Recording – can add annotations, interaction

Record Movie – just a movie

Smart Capture – grabs a screenshot when you use your mouse – makes much smaller files.

Set how much of the screen you want to capture.

Specific area –

Application –

Full screen –

I like to checkmark the floating toolbar.

Click OK.

In a moment you will be recording whatever happens on your screen.

For better sound use a USB headset or microphone.

When you click the stop button on the floating toolbar you will go into editing mode.

Edit as necessary.

Export – make new folder.

Experiments: Record Movie/Streaming Video

Pull down Export to: Mp4 seems to be a good choice (try 50% size)

Smart Capture without auto-FMR

- change default settings to capture audio, cursor, mouse clicks

makes multiple slides – a new slide every mouse click

Full Motion Recording (FMR) (sound is better exported at 128kbps)

What to do with the finished video:

Post it to your YouTube channel

Post it to Vimeo