

How to create a Green Screen Project

What is the Green Screen Technique?

A Green Screen is commonly used by weather forecasters, where a presenter is usually seen standing in front of a large map, though in actuality it is a large blue or green background.

Using a green screen can add an exciting dimension to both teaching and learning!

Using a green screen means that teachers and students can share a story, get into character and use a background of their choice using technology.

Some students who are accessing the summer programme may enjoy using images of their classroom as the background. The possibilities are endless using this technology!

There is a simple NCSE guide to using a Green Screen for Remote Teaching here

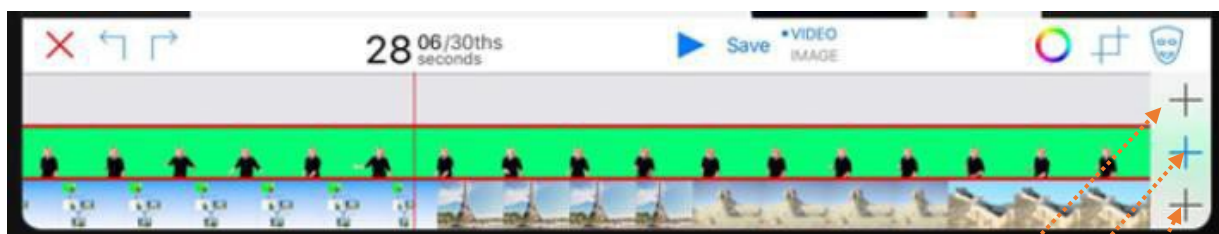
<https://ncse.ie/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Green-Screen-Resource.pdf>

Open the Do Ink Green Screen app. It looks like this:



Choose the '+' in the top right hand corner to start a new project.

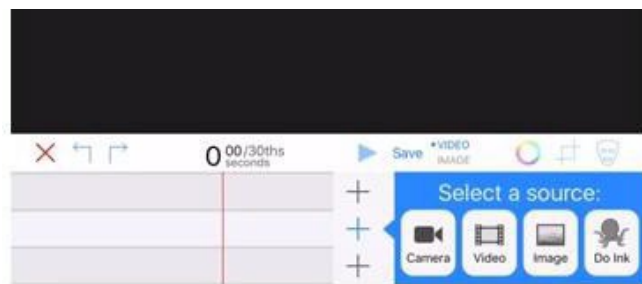
This bar at the bottom of the screen is where most of the functions are;



There are 3 possible layers that you can include in your project (from the bottom to the top):

1. The background – you can take a photo/video or choose from camera roll.
2. This is the layer with the green screen – you can take a photo/video or you can choose from the camera roll.
3. This is anything you want to throw on top!

You press '+' to add to each layer.



This blue box shows you the options for adding to your chosen layer.

It is recommended that you film/take a photo directly through the camera on your device and then choose from either the video or image in the Green Screen app.

You can use the chroma key to edit your green screen layer (the middle layer):

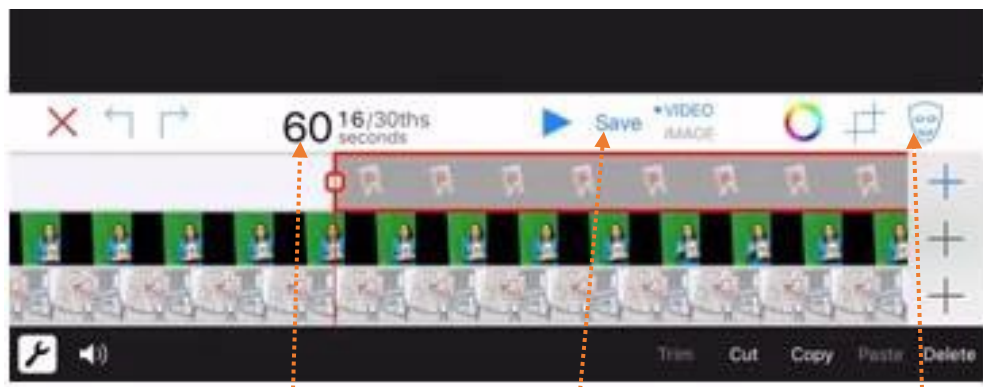


This is to adjust the level of green that might be appearing. Sometimes creases in the screen will show up and the person/item in front of the screen might be a bit green- use this to help adjust. When you don't have studio lights this is more likely to happen.

You can edit each layer by clicking on it. It will be highlighted in red when it is the chosen layer for editing. You can slide along it, select, move, trim and cut. You can add more than one image/video to each layer by joining them together side by side along the timeline. The little box at the end of the photo/video strip will allow you to drag it, lengthening or shortening it.

On the top part of the screen where you can see your project you can pinch the image to move, turn and change its size.

It might take a while to get used to selecting, cutting, and dragging a section on a layer.



- As you slide along you can see what length the video is and where on the timeline you are with each layer.
- There is also a mask button. You can use this to rub out pieces of an image.
- Don't forget to save your video/image!

Helpful videos:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wh4EYxpZb2Q>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3ZzCfDIB3e4&t=332s>