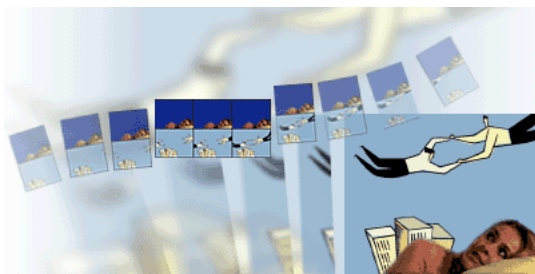


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Edit clips before the rough cut

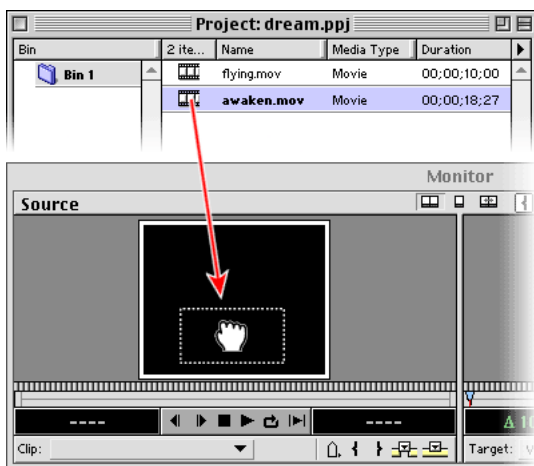
You can trim unwanted frames from your clips before you add them to the Timeline. This is a great time-saver if you plan to use multiple instances of the same clip. When you add new copies to the Timeline, all the In and Out points are the same as the ones for the original, trimmed copy.



1. Open the clip.

In the Project window, find the clip you want to edit and drag its icon to the Source view in the Monitor window.

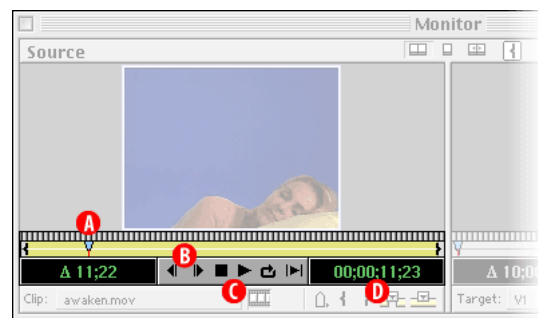
Tip: If you don't see the Monitor window, choose Window > Monitor.



2. Locate a good starting point.

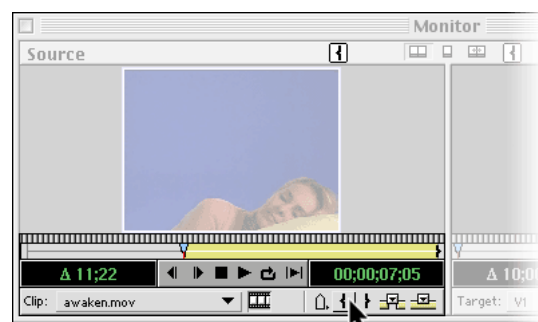
Advance the clip until you locate the first frame you want to appear, using any method:

- A. Drag the slider.
- B. Click the Frame Forward and Frame Back buttons.
- C. Click the Play and Stop buttons.
- D. Type a time in the Current Clip Location display.



3. Cut any unwanted opening frames.

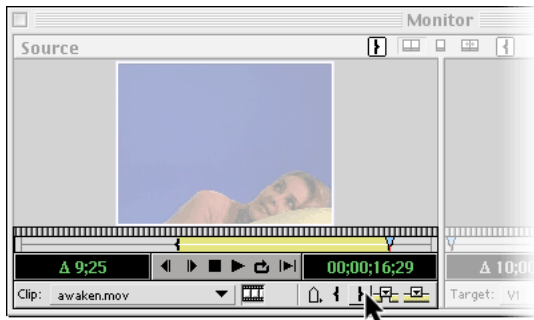
With the Source view showing the frame you've chosen as your opening frame, click the Mark In button.



An In point icon appears above the Source image display. If you change your mind, just advance forward or backward to another place and click the Mark In button again.

4. Trim excess frames from the end.

Using the same techniques as step 2, locate the final frame you want to include in this clip, and then click the Mark Out button under the Source view image.



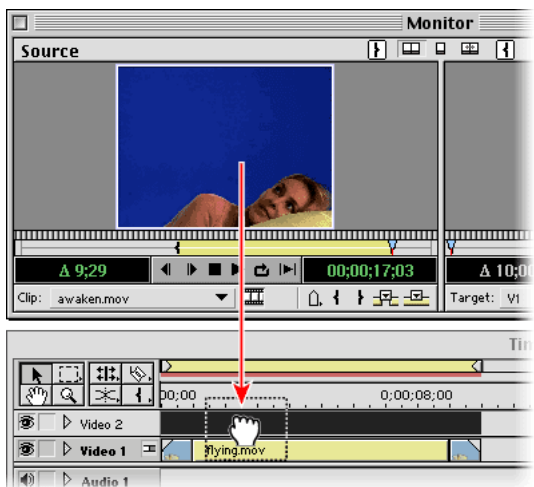
An Out Point icon appears above the Source image. Also notice that the slider area appearance changes.

5. Preview the Source clip.

Click the Play button under the Source image. Notice that Premiere plays the entire clip, not just the portion between the In and Out points that you just selected. That's OK; the next steps will confirm that the clip is trimmed.

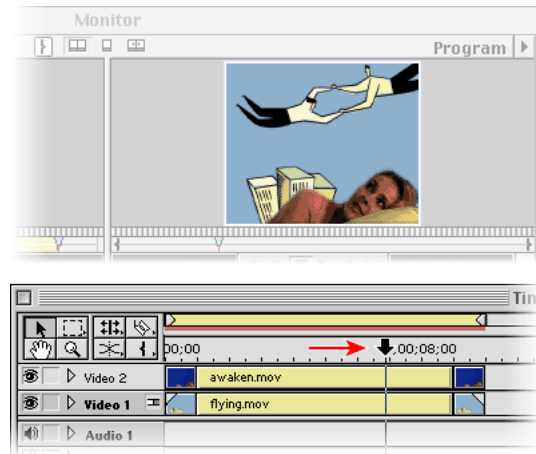
6. Move the clip to the Timeline.

Drag the image from the Source view to the Timeline and drop it in position among the sequence of clips.



7. Preview the clip in the Timeline.

Hold down Alt (Windows) or Option (Mac OS) as you scrub (drag along the Timeline ruler). The trimmed clip appears in the Program window, along with any clips and effects you've applied.



Congratulations! You now know how easy it is to trim clips so that only the portions you want to use appear in your final movie.

For more ideas on editing clips before placing them in the Timeline, see the Adobe® Premiere® Classroom in a Book®.

