Preparing a DVD

Rather than simply burning your movie to a DVD or CD-ROM, or exporting it as a QuickTime movie, you can send it to a program called iDVD which allows you to professionally produce the DVD.
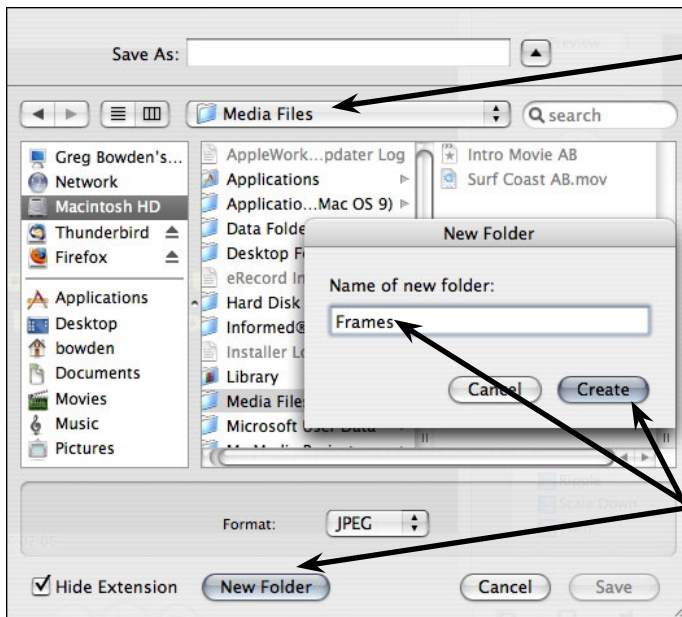
Preparing the Movie

A   Taking Frame Snap Shots

Before sending the movie to iDVD some screen shots of individual frames can be taken. These pictures can be inserted in the opening screen of the DVD so that the viewer can see a summary of the movie.

1 Set the view to CLIP VIEWER.

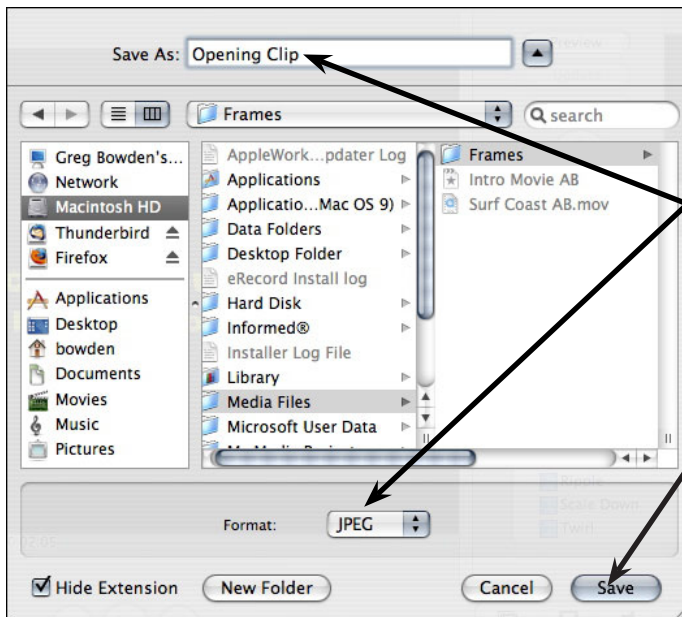2 Select the first clip and move the PLAYHEAD so that all the text can be seen.

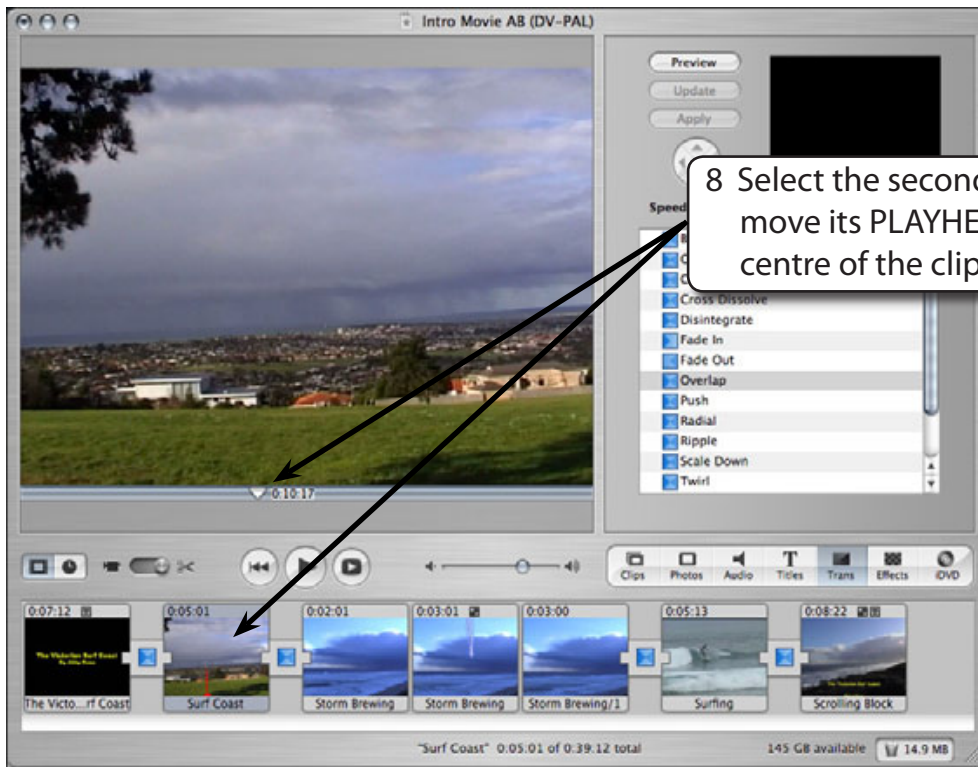3   Display the FILE menu and select SAVE FRAME.

4 Access the folder that stores your movie files.

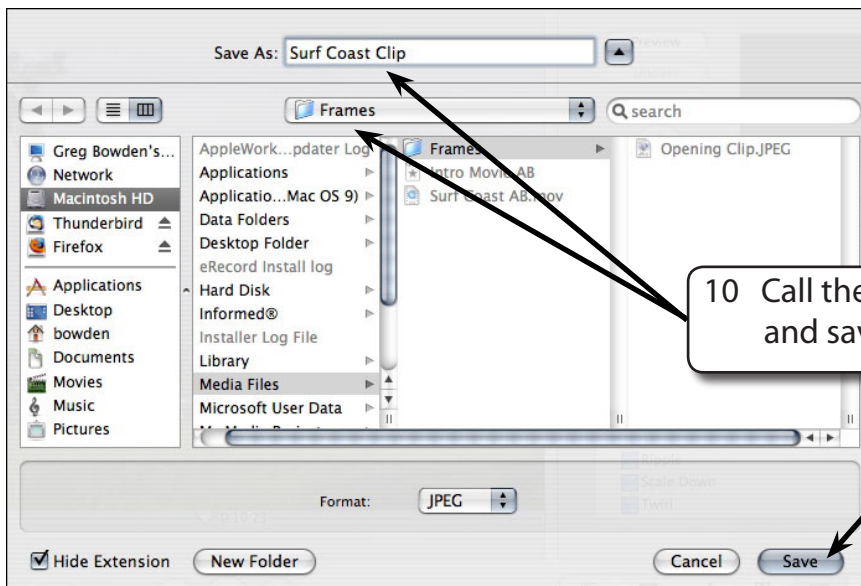5 Click on the NEW FOLDER button, call the folder FRAMES and click on CREATE.

6 Call the image OPENING CLIP and check that the FORMAT is set to JPEG.

7 Click on the SAVE button.

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8 Select the second movie clip and move its PLAYHEAD to near the centre of the clip.

9   Display the FILE menu and select SAVE FRAME.

10 Call the frame SURF COAST CLIP and save it in your FRAMES folder.

11   Repeat steps 8 to 10 to save a frame from the centre STORM BREWING clip as STORM BREWING CLIP, a frame from the SURFING clip as SURFING CLIP and a frame from the SCROLLING BLOCK clip as CREDITS CLIP.

B DVD Chapters

Movies on DVD often provide chapters or scenes for you to select from. If you set chapter markers in iMovie the user of your DVD will be able to select just those chapters rather than playing the whole movie.

1 Select the first movie clip and click on the DVD icon to display the CHAPTER MARKERS pane.

2 Click on the ADD CHAPTER button and the first movie clip will be added to the CHAPTER MARKERS pane.