

How to Insert an FLV Video into PowerPoint 2007

Situation:

You have downloaded a video from YouTube, but the file extension is FLV, so you can't make it play in PowerPoint because that type of file isn't recognized by PowerPoint.

What is FLV?:

Flash Video, also known as flv, is a file format that is used to deliver video over the internet. It uses the .flv file extension. Video sharing sites such as YouTube and MySpace make use of Flash Video format.

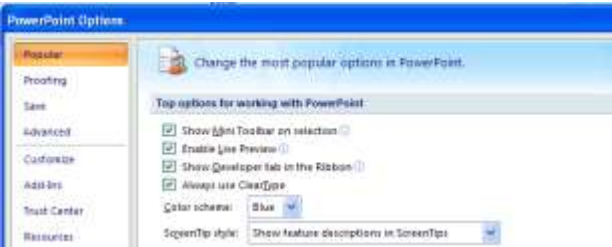
Overview:

Install VLC Media Player. You'll only have to do this once. Make sure the FLV file and PowerPoint file are in the same folder. In the PowerPoint slide where you want the video to play, add the VLC Media Player object. Identify the name of the video file in the properties of the object.

Step by Step Instructions:

Display the Developer tab in the Ribbon

1.	You will only have to do this once
2.	Click the Office button
3.	Select PowerPoint Options
4.	Select Popular
5.	Check Show Developer tab in the Ribbon, click OK



The screenshot shows the 'PowerPoint Options' dialog box with the 'Popular' tab selected. The 'Show Developer tab in the Ribbon' checkbox is checked. Other options include 'Show (Get) Toolbar on selection', 'Enable Live Preview', 'Always use ClearType', 'Color scheme: Blue', and 'ScreenTip style: Show feature descriptions in ScreenTips'.

Install VLC Media Player

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7. The program is free and can be downloaded at <http://www.videolan.org>

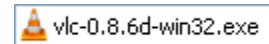


8. Select Save



Select your desktop


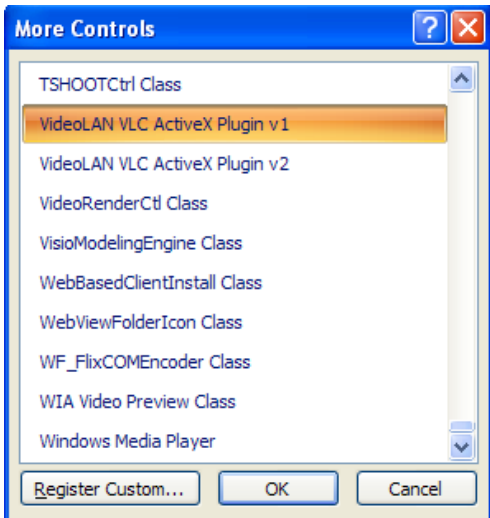
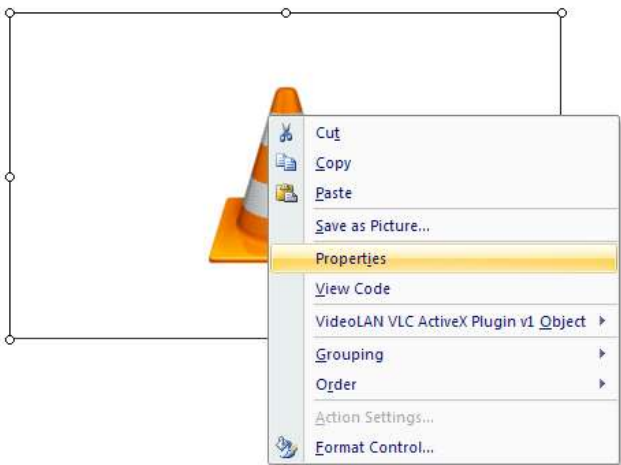
9. Once it is downloaded, install the program
Go to the desktop, double click the file

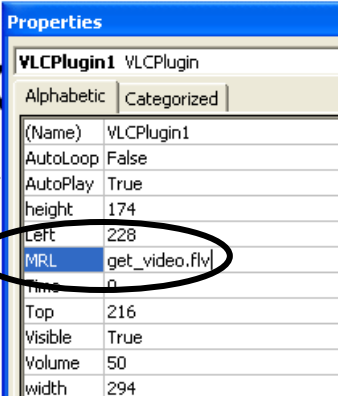


10. Click Run
Accept all the default suggestions




Prepare the Presentation

11.	Create a folder and move the presentation and Flash Video to it. This is important. If the video is not in the same folder as the PowerPoint file, the video won't play!
12.	Open the presentation
13.	Go to the slide which you want to have the Flash Video inserted
14.	Click the Developer tab
15.	In the Controls group, click More controls... 
16.	Scroll to the bottom of the list and look for VideoLAN VLC ActiveX Plugin (both v1 and v2 are fine) 
17.	Click OK
18.	Draw the size of the control on the slide
19.	Right click on the control that has just been added 
20.	Select Properties

21.	<p>In the Properties dialog box Next to MRL Enter the filename (example: get_video.flv)</p>	
22.	Close the Properties dialog box	
23.	<p>NOTE: The video (ex.: get_video.flv) MUST be in the same folder as the PowerPoint file. Otherwise the video won't play</p>	

Run the Slide Show

24.	Press F5 or your favorite way to start the slide show	
25.	Click to advance through the slide show	
26.	<p>When you get to the slide with the FLV video, you will briefly see the image below</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>	
27.	The video will start playing automatically or on your click, whichever way you set up the video on the slide	