

Quick Start Guide

New to PowerPoint 2016? Use this guide to learn the basics.

Quick Access Toolbar

Keep favorite commands permanently visible.

Explore the ribbon

See what PowerPoint can do by clicking the ribbon tabs and exploring available tools.

Discover contextual commands

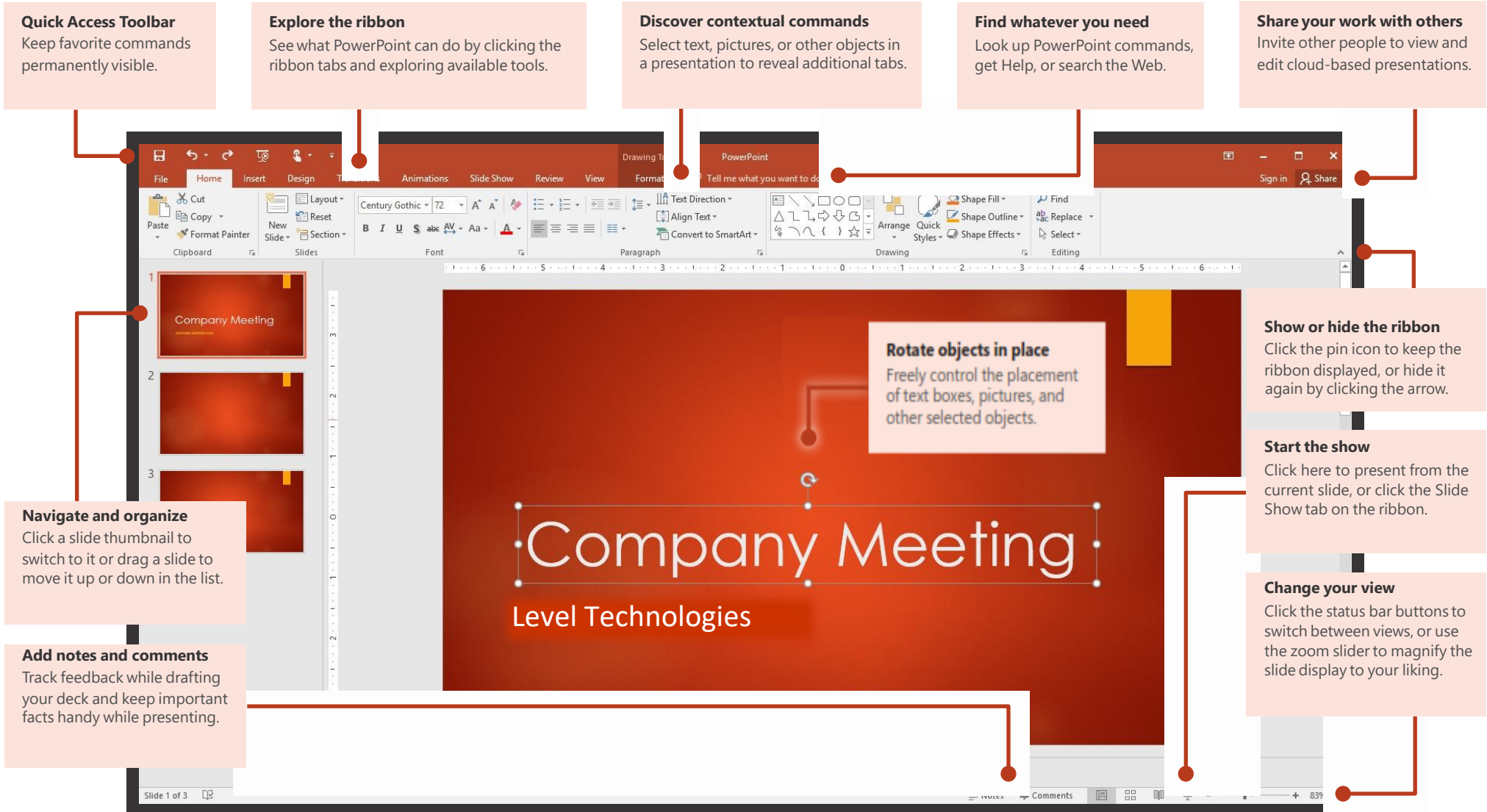
Select text, pictures, or other objects in a presentation to reveal additional tabs.

Find whatever you need

Look up PowerPoint commands, get Help, or search the Web.

Share your work with others

Invite other people to view and edit cloud-based presentations.

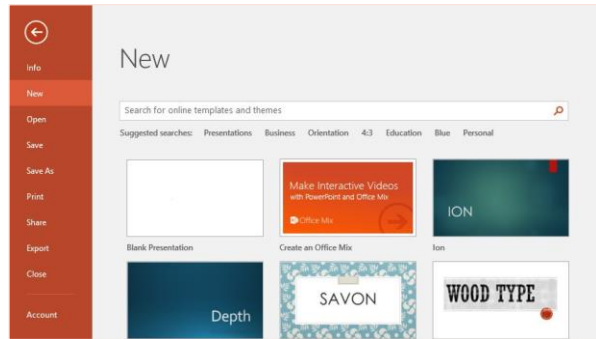


The screenshot shows the PowerPoint 2016 interface with several callout boxes pointing to specific features:

- Quick Access Toolbar:** Located at the top left, containing Save, Undo, and Redo icons.
- Explore the ribbon:** Points to the ribbon tabs (File, Home, Insert, Design, Animations, Slide Show, Review, View, Format).
- Discover contextual commands:** Points to the ribbon groups (Clipboard, Slides, Font, Paragraph, Drawing, Editing).
- Find whatever you need:** Points to the Search box in the top right corner.
- Share your work with others:** Points to the Sign in and Share buttons in the top right corner.
- Navigate and organize:** Points to the slide thumbnails on the left side.
- Add notes and comments:** Points to the Notes pane at the bottom.
- Rotate objects in place:** Points to a text box on the slide with rotation handles.
- Show or hide the ribbon:** Points to the ribbon pin and arrow icons.
- Start the show:** Points to the Slide Show button on the ribbon.
- Change your view:** Points to the status bar buttons for Normal, Sort, and Zoom.

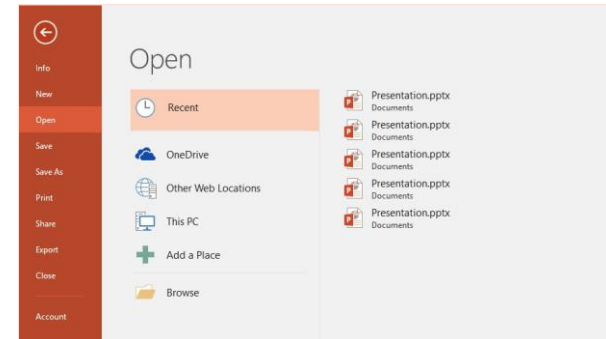
Create something

Begin with a **Blank Presentation** to get right to work. Or save yourself a bunch of time by selecting and then customizing a template that resembles what you need. Click **File > New**, and then select or search for the template you want.



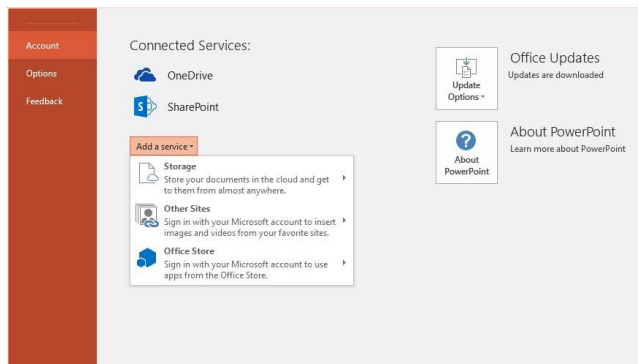
Find recent files

Whether you only work with files stored on your PC's local hard drive or you roam across various cloud services, clicking **File > Open** takes you to your recently used presentations and any files that you may have pinned to your list.



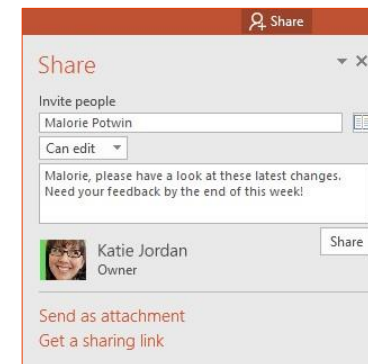
Stay connected

Need to work on the go and across different devices? Click **File > Account** to sign in and access your recently used files anywhere, on any device, through seamless integration between Office, OneDrive, OneDrive for Business, and SharePoint.



Share your work with others

To invite others to view or edit your presentations in the cloud, click the **Share** button in the top right corner of the app window. In the **Share** pane that opens, you can get a sharing link or send invitations to the people you select.



Get inspired while you work

Pressed for time or feeling uninspired? Let PowerPoint create great-looking slides for you based on the content you've added. Insert or paste an image on your current slide and then click your preferred layout in the **Design Ideas** task pane.

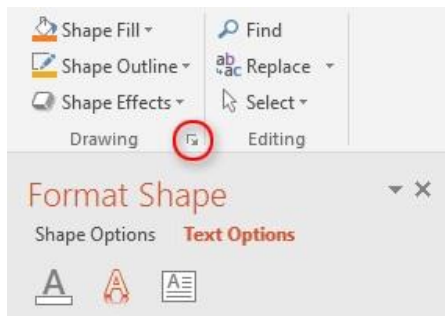


A brief introduction to the history of Wall Street



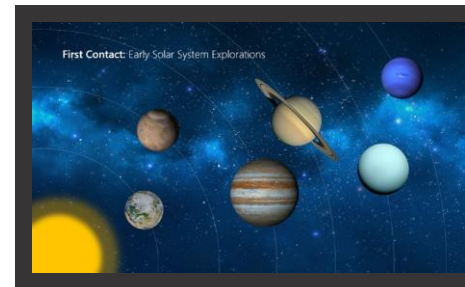
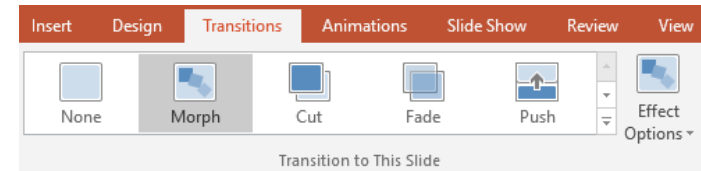
Format shapes with precision

Precisely format a selected picture, shape, or object with the comprehensive tools available in the **Format Shape** task pane. To display it, click the **Home** tab, and then click the small arrow in the lower right corner of the **Drawing** ribbon group.



Morph images and objects

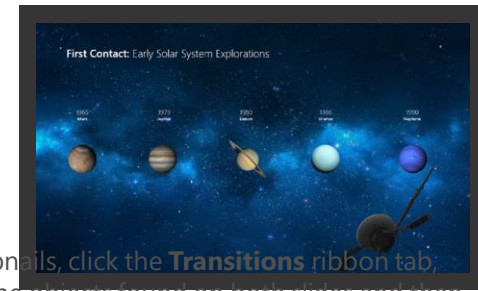
PowerPoint 2016 introduces **Morph**, a new cinematic effect that creates smooth, animated transitions by tracking and moving images and other objects across multiple slides in your presentation.



Create a new slide and then add any text and pictures or objects that you want. This first slide indicates the placement of objects at the beginning of the transition.

Next, right-click the slide thumbnail and click **Duplicate Slide**.

On the copied slide, move and resize any of the text, pictures, or objects as needed. For example, you can make an item stand out by increasing its size, or you can line things up and add descriptions. This second slide indicates the placement of objects at the end of the transition.

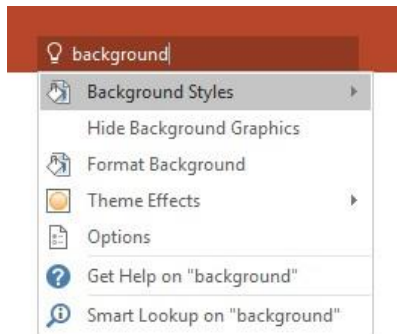


To apply the effect, select both slide thumbnails, click the **Transitions** ribbon tab, and then click **Morph**. PowerPoint tracks the objects found on both slides and then animates their size and position when the effect is viewed.

To preview the effect, click **Preview** on the **Transitions** ribbon tab. If you want to customize the effect, click the **Effect Options** button on the **Transitions** tab.

Find whatever you need

Type a keyword or phrase into the **Tell me what you want to do** search box on the ribbon to quickly find the PowerPoint features and commands you're looking for, to discover **Help** content, or to get more information online.



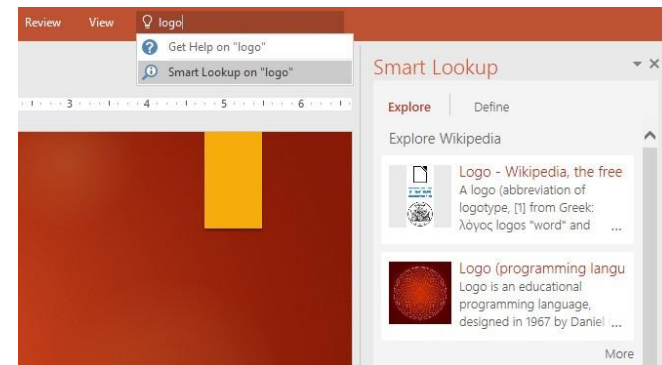
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Look up relevant information

With **Smart Lookup**, PowerPoint searches the Internet for relevant information to define words, phrases, and concepts. Search results shown on the task pane can provide useful context for the ideas you're sharing in your presentations.



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