

iMovie Keyboard shortcuts – Learn Them!

- 1 – Go to Media View
- 2 – Go to Project View
- 3 – Go to Theater View

⌘ (Command)+b (mnemonic “blade”) – Splits the clip at the Playhead

Spacebar – Will Play or Pause your video in the Timeline. This is probably **THE** most important keyboard shortcut. Think about it. How much sense does it make to grab your mouse and zero in on and click the play button, or instead tap the biggest “key” on your keyboard?

Home – Move playhead to the beginning of the timeline (if you’re using a Mac laptop the “fn” key + ← [left arrow] is equal to the “Home” key)

End – Move playhead to the end of the timeline (if you’re using a Mac laptop the “fn”key + → [right arrow] is equal to the “End” key)

*** Note, **Home** and **End** only appear on the Mac Extended Keyboard ***

i – mark the **in** point

o – mark the **out** point

/ (slash) – play clip selection from the beginning

\ (backslash) - Play the selected event, clip, or project from the beginning

Option + / (slash) – Trim to the selected **in** and **out** points

↓ (down arrow) - go to start of next clip in timeline

↑ (up arrow) – go to start of previous clip in timeline

→ (right arrow) – move forward one frame in timeline

← (left arrow) – move backward one frame in timeline

e - add clip to the end of the timeline (mnemonic “eppend” or “add to end”)

x - select entire media clip in Media View or entire clip in timeline

w - insert video at playhead (mnemonic “within”)

q - connect clip to timeline (mnemonic “qonnect”)

Shift+⌘+f – Display Timeline video full-screen – **esc** key will exit full-screen view

v – Enable the Voiceover tool

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j – play in reverse (repeat press doubles speed)

k – pause

l – (lowercase “L”) – play forward (repeat press doubles, triples, speed)

k+j or **l** modifies the speed to half in forward or reverse