Animation Shop 3 Notes:

> Before you can run Animation Shop you must first run Paint Shop Pro.
> Animation Shop is used to create animated GIF's which can be used with web pages.
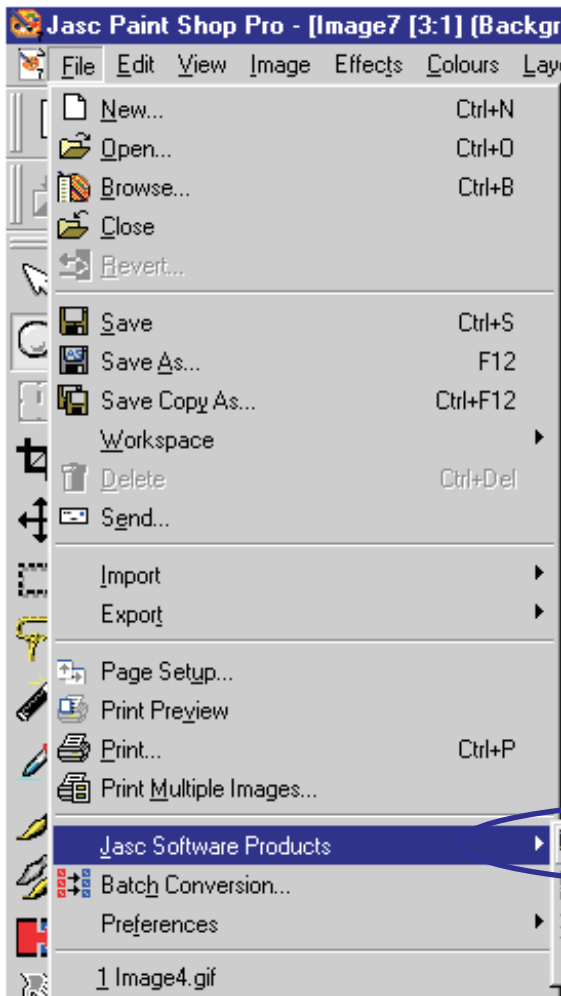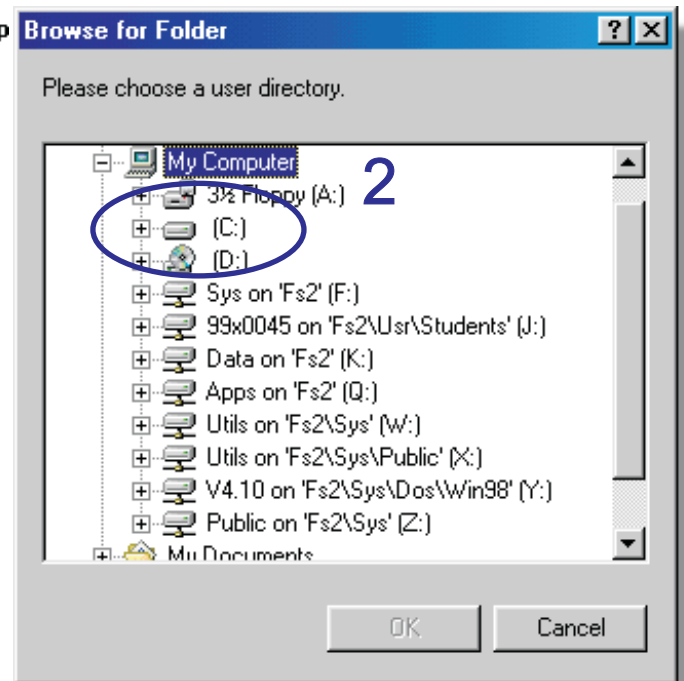
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Starting Animation Shop

When you log onto the network you should see an icon for Paint Shop Pro on the desktop.

1) Double click on the Paint Shop Prp icon

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Paint Shop Pro 7

2) Select **C:** drive as the working directory
Animation Shop is a sister program to Paint Shop Pro.

3) Select File | Jasc Software Products |
Launch Animation Shop

Browse for Folder

Please choose a user directory.

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- Public on 'Fs2\Sys' (Z:)
- My Documents

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Jasc Software Products   ▶   Launch Animation Shop
Launch Image Robot
Launch Media Center Plus
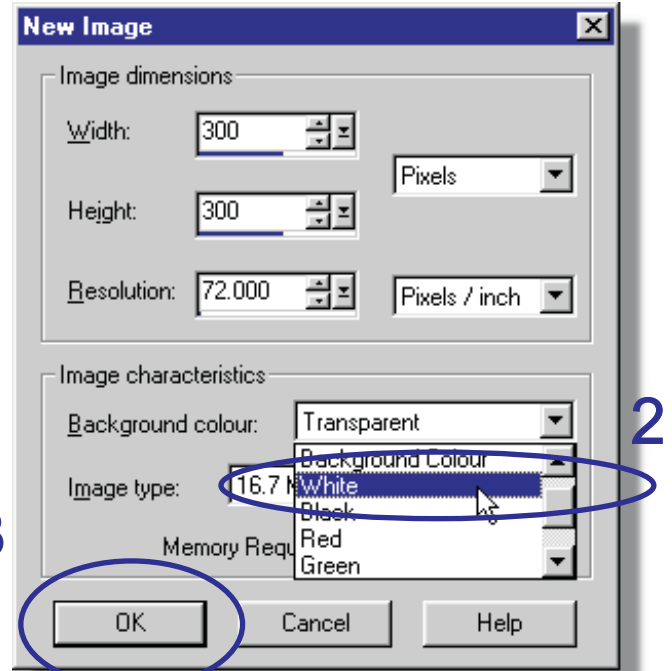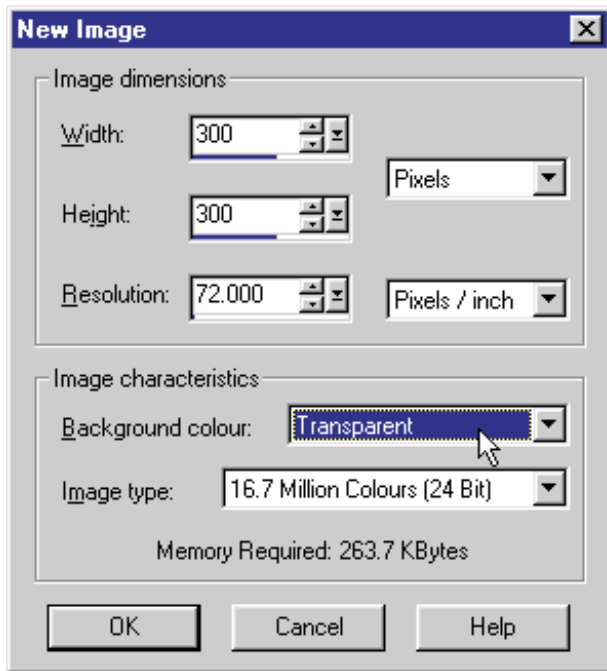Launch Trajectory Pro

Creating an animation

These notes will show you how to create an animation from frames drawn using Paint shop Pro.
Animation Shop is capable of creating animation from many different applications, it is also useful if you want to convert or edit existing animations.

We will use Paint Shop Pro to create each frame of an animation.
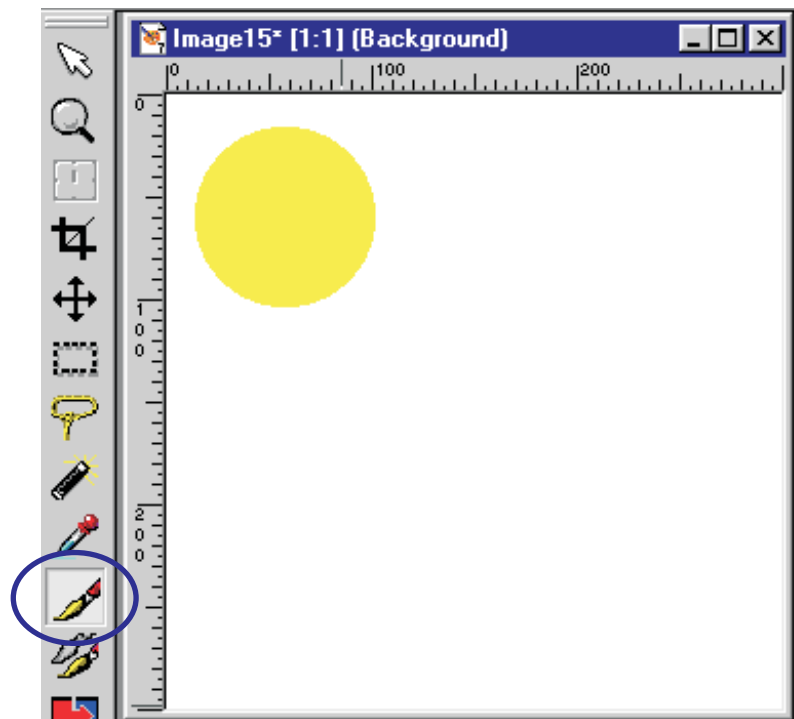
1) From Paint Shop Pro select File | New...
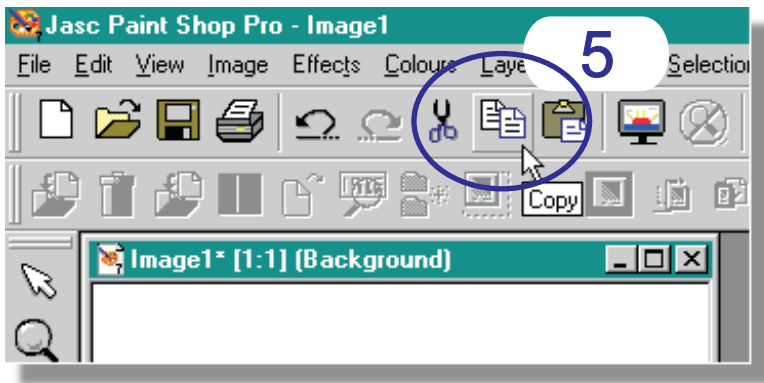
2) Change the background colour from Transparent to White

3) Click on OK

4) Select the Paint Brush tool and draw the first frame of your animation.
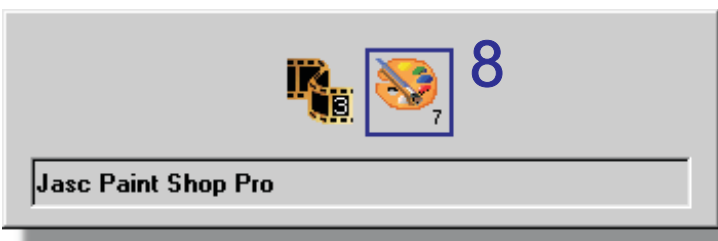
5) Copy the first frame to the clipboard

6) Switch from Paint Shop Pro to Animation Shop, to do this use "ALT + TAB".
Hold down the ALT key on the keyboard and press the Tab key once, then release the ALT key.
This should switch you from Paint Shop Pro to Animation Shop.

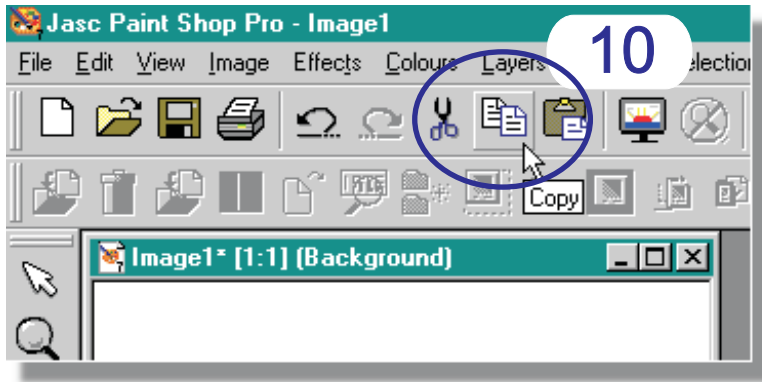7) select Paste As New Animation (Note: next time you will use the Paste After Current button.)

8) Use ALT + TAB to switch back to Paint Shop Pro

9) Add or modify your first frame using Paint Shop Pro to create the second frame of the animation
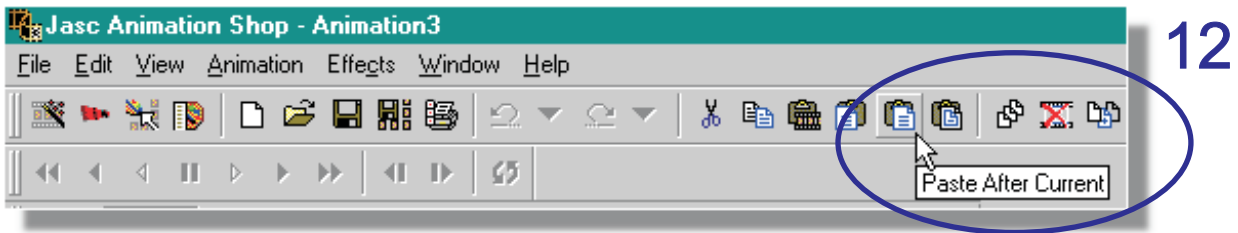
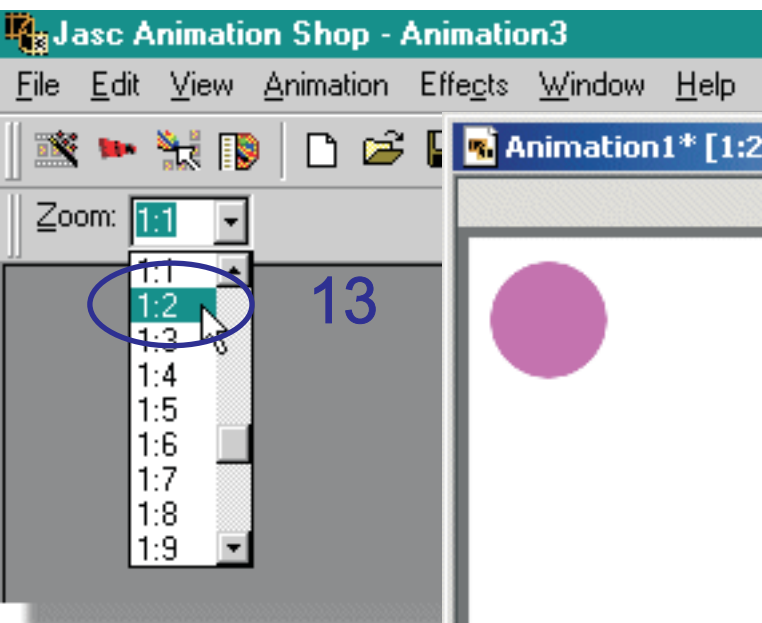10) Having created a new frame using Paint Shop Pro copy it to the clipboard

11) Switch from Paint Shop Pro back to Animation Shop using ALT + TAB
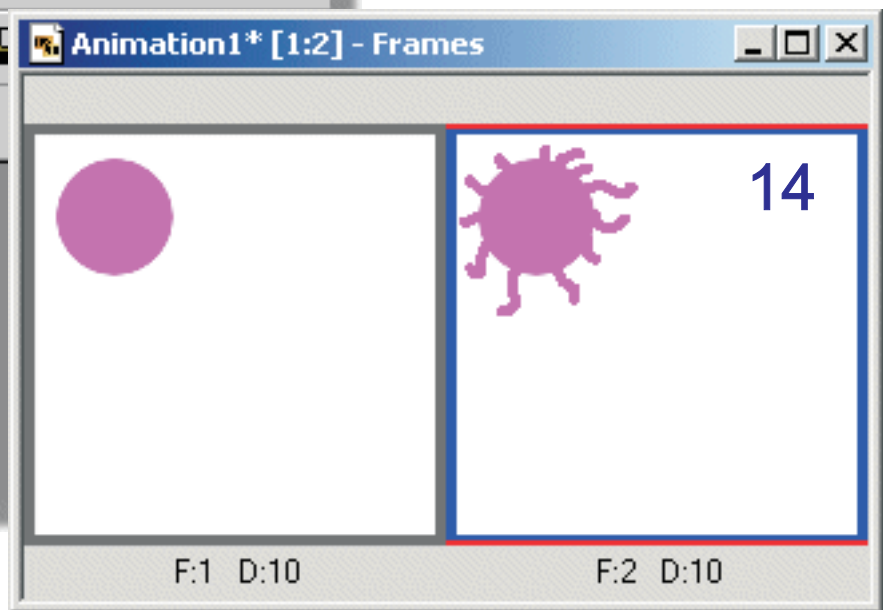

12) Paste the new frame after the current frame. Use **Paste After Current** NOTE: Make sure that you use **Paste After Current,** and **not** paste as new animation.

13) Change the Zoom to 1:2

14) You should see a single animation with 2 frames, if you don't, check that you used the **Paste After Current** button in step 12, and not paste as new animation.

15) Switch back to Paint Shop Pro using ALT + TAB

16) Add to the second frame in Paint Shop Pro

17) Copy the new frame to the clipboard

18) Switch back to Animation Shop using ALT + TAB

19) Paste the new frame into your animation using the **Paste After Current frame** button in Animation Shop.

Repeat this process until you have finished building your animation.
Don't forget to save your work as you go, see below.

Saving the Animation

Theory:
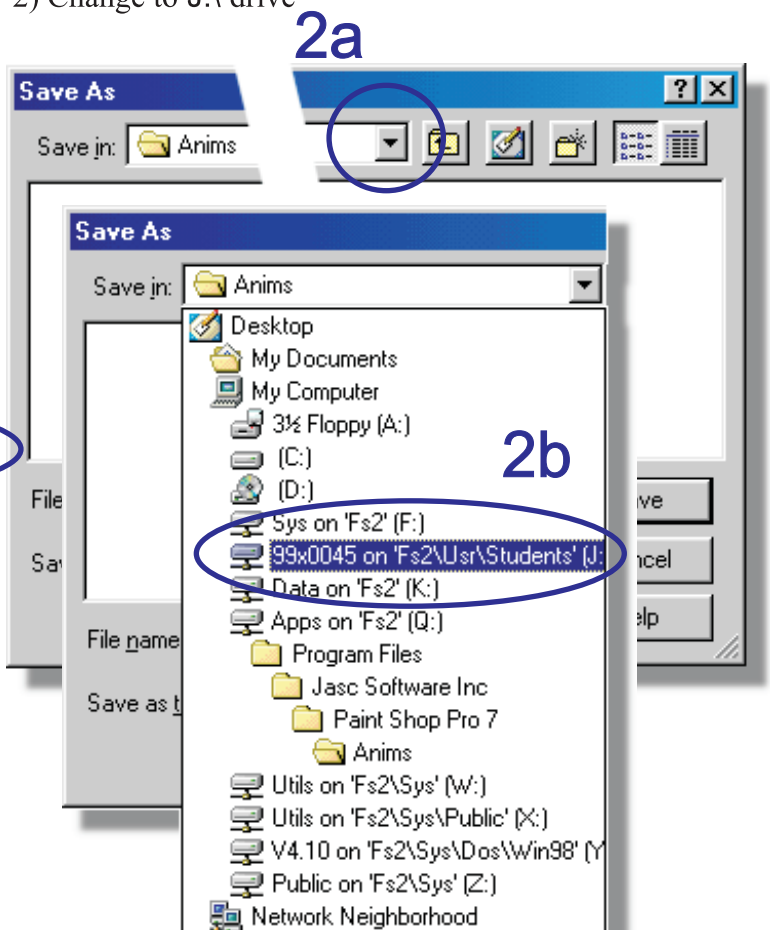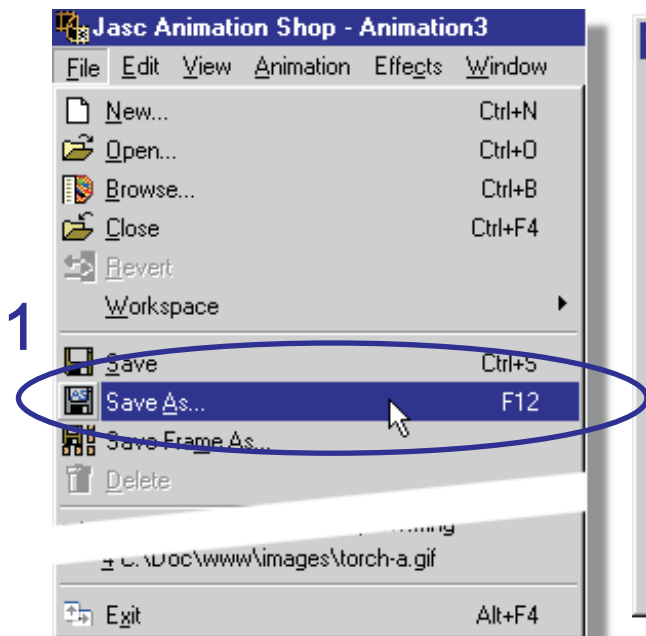Animation Shop can save animations in 6 different formats.
We are only interested in 2 of those formats, MNG & GIF.
MNG files are Animation Shop's native file format. MNG files are fast to save and therefore this is the best format to save into when you are building your animation and want to save your work as you go.

Animated GIF files are used on the web and this is the format you need when you want to publish your finished animation. It takes a while to save to an animated GIF file so this is best done when you have finished creating your animation.

1) Select File | Save As...

2) Change to J:\ drive

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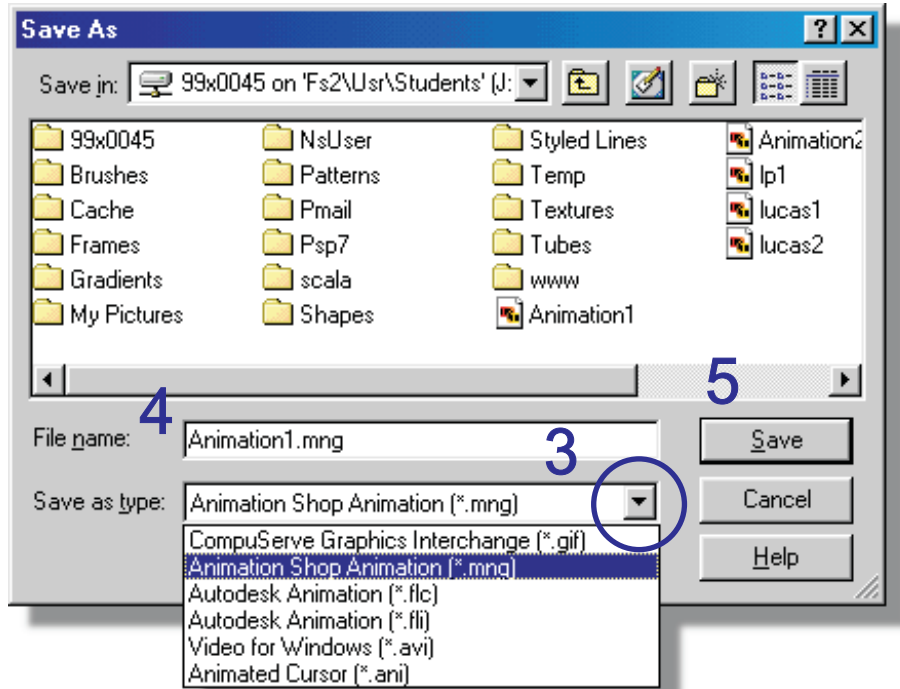
Saving the Animation cont...

3) Change the file type to MNG

4) Give the animation an appropriate
 file name.

*Do not use spaces in the file name see
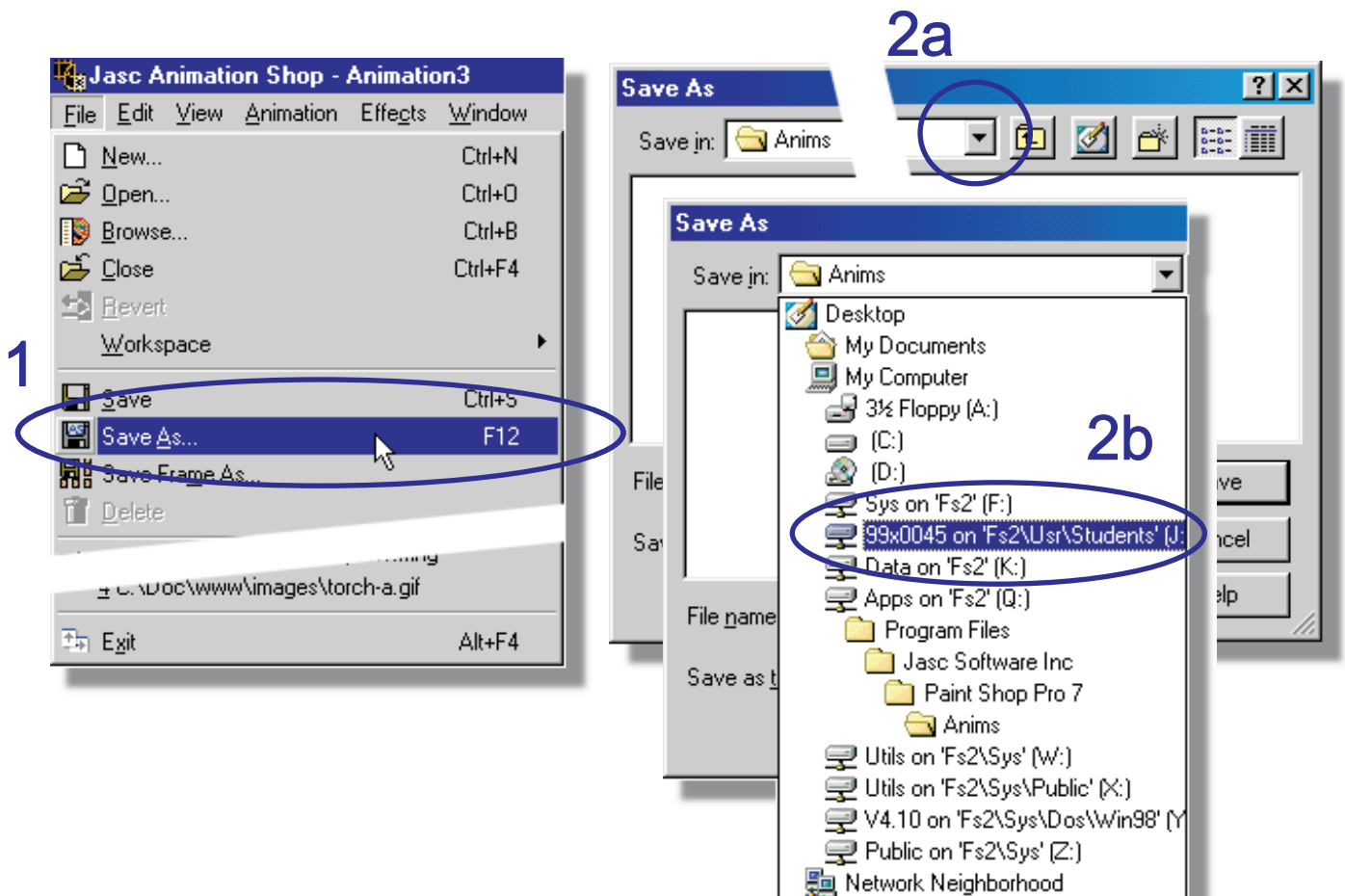Golden Rule No. 1 page 62.*

5) Press Save

Save as Animated GIF.

1) Select File | Save As...

2) Change to J:\ drive

Saving as Animated GIF cont..

3) Change the file type to **GIF**

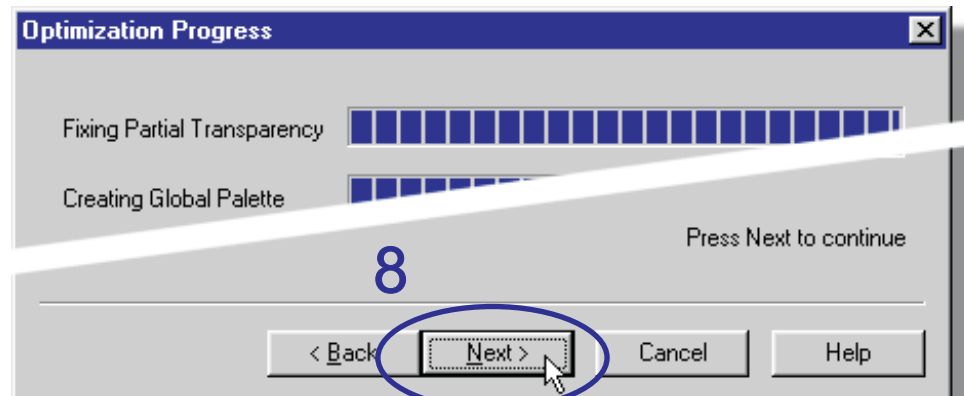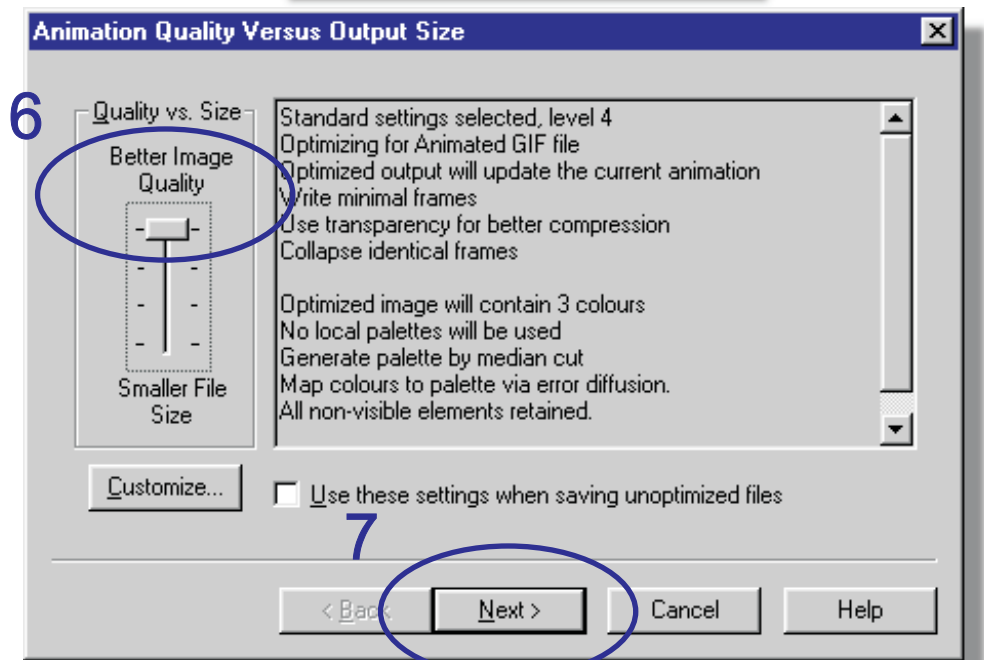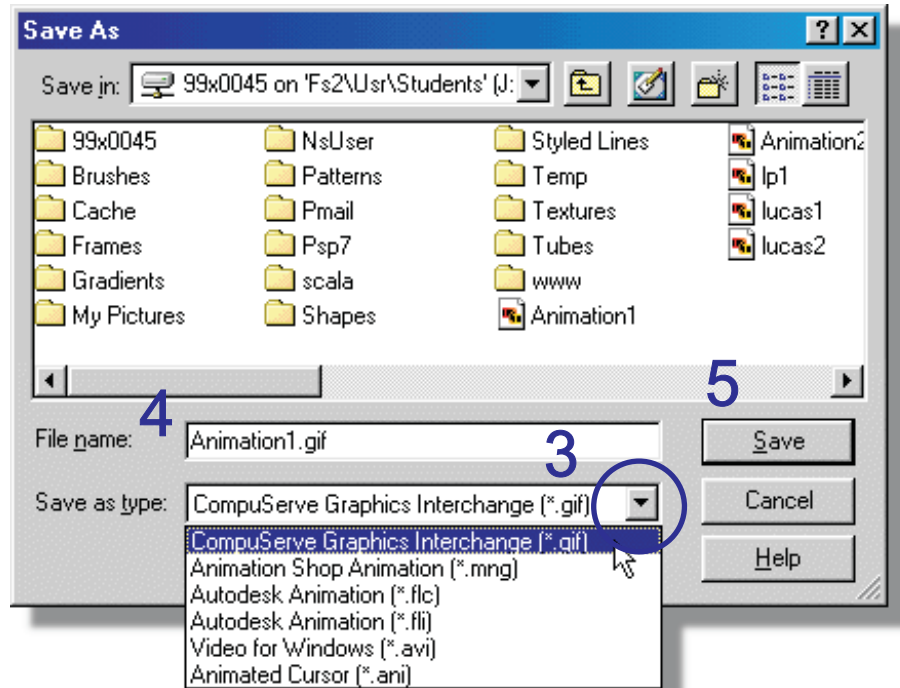4) Give the animation an appropriate file name.

Do not use spaces in the file name see Golden Rule No. 1 page 62.

5) Press **S**ave

6) Select Better Image Quality

7) Click **N**ext >

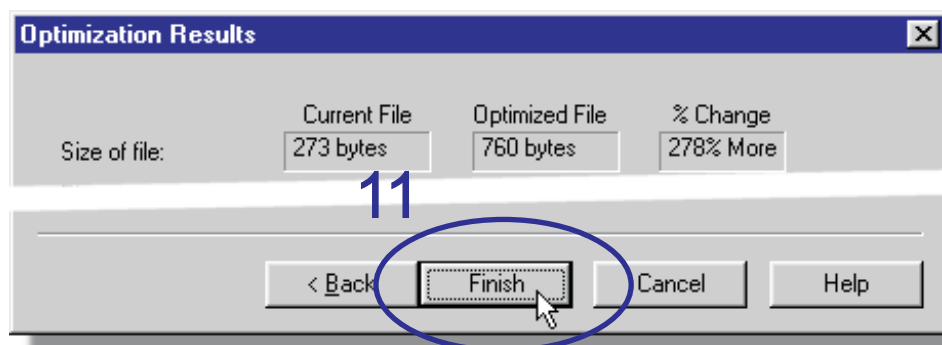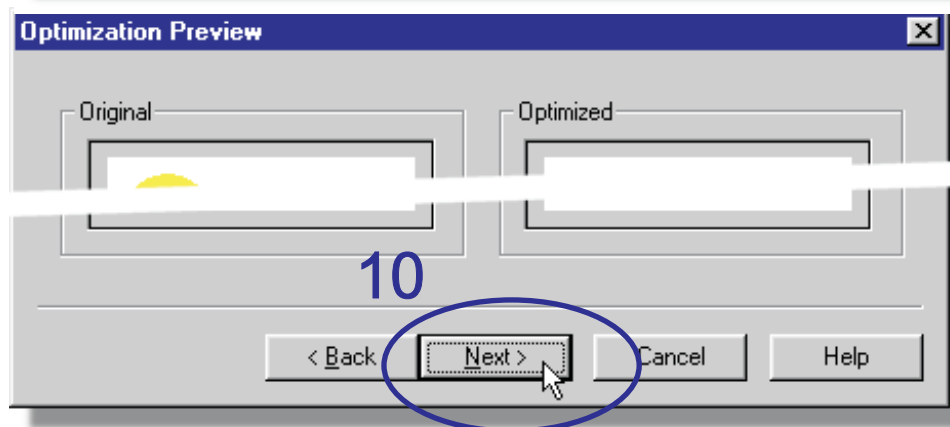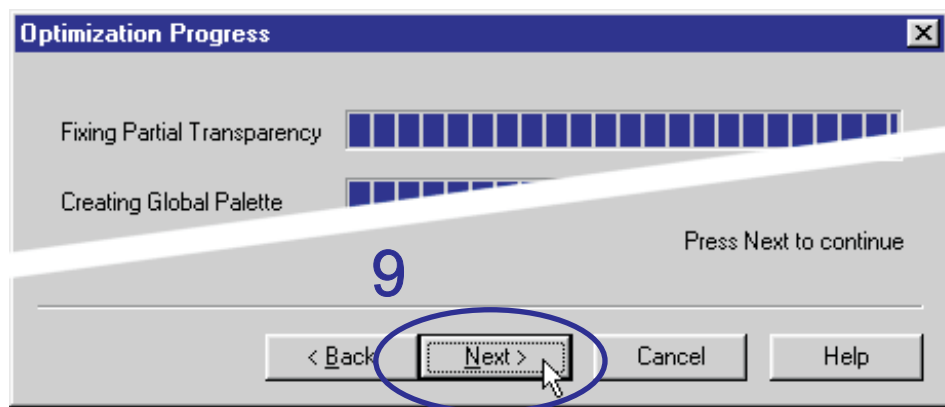8) Click **N**ext >

Saving as Animated GIF cont...

9) Click <u>N</u>ext >

10) Click <u>N</u>ext >

11) Click Finish

Theory:

Animated GIF's are commonly used with web pages, they may also be used with PowerPoint 2000.

Animation Shop can be used to edit animated GIF's downloaded from the Internet

Animation Shop can convert .AVI files created using KidPix into animated GIF's, use the Save for Slide show feature in KidPix. Open the .AVI file in Animations Shop and save the file as a GIF.

Note: Free 30 day trial versions of Paint Shop Pro are available from the Jasc web page www.jasc.com