

# Spoken Tutorial Editing using Audacity

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# Lesson Outline

## How to

- ▶ **Edit an audio file**



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- ▶ Edit an audio file
- ▶ Open an audio file in Audacity



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- ▶ **Convert a stereo file to mono**



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- ▶ **Structure**



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- ▶ **Have a logical conclusion**



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▶ **Save the project file regularly**



# Summary

## ► Open audio file



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- ▶ Open audio file
- ▶ **Convert stereo to mono**



# Summary

- ▶ Open audio file
- ▶ Convert stereo to mono
- ▶ **Zoom in and out**



# Summary

- ▶ Open audio file
- ▶ Convert stereo to mono
- ▶ Zoom in and out
- ▶ **Attach labels**



# Summary

## ► Structure and edit





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- ▶ **Structure and edit**
- ▶ **Cut, delete, move audio**



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- ▶ Structure and edit
- ▶ Cut, delete, move audio
- ▶ **Amplify audio**



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# Activity

- ▶ **Edit the audio that you recorded in the first tutorial using the tips given above**



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- ▶ Edit the audio that you recorded in the first tutorial using the tips given above
- ▶ Use fade in and fade out where necessary



# About the Spoken Tutorial Project

- ▶ Watch the video available at [http://spoken-tutorial.org/What\\_is\\_a\\_Spoken\\_Tutorial](http://spoken-tutorial.org/What_is_a_Spoken_Tutorial)
- ▶ It summarises the Spoken Tutorial project
- ▶ If you do not have good bandwidth, you can download and watch it



# Spoken Tutorial Workshops

## The Spoken Tutorial Project Team

- ▶ Conducts workshops using spoken tutorials
- ▶ Gives certificates to those who pass an online test
- ▶ For more details, contact [contact@spoken-tutorial.org](mailto:contact@spoken-tutorial.org)



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