

## Clicker 5: Electronic Books

Electronic books (e-books) in Clicker are nothing more than a grid that takes up the entire screen. In other words, they are Clicker Grids without Clicker Writer. If you already know how to create Clicker grids (word banks or sentence grids), then here are the

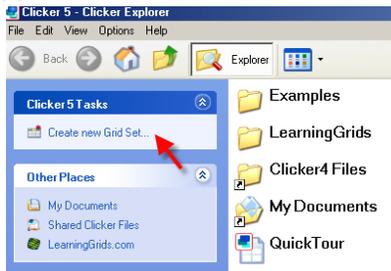
### **differences between Clicker Grids and a Clicker e-book:**

- The grid is as big as the entire window instead of being on the bottom half of the window
- Rather than just **cells**, your grid can contain **cells** and **text boxes**
- You'll use the Book Making templates to create your eBook

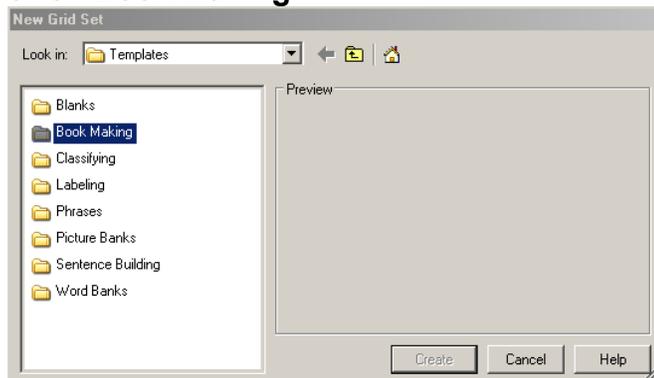
### **Create the grid**

Double click to open the Clicker 5 application (usually under Applications or Programs)

1. Click on Create a new Grid Set.



2. Double click on **Book Making**



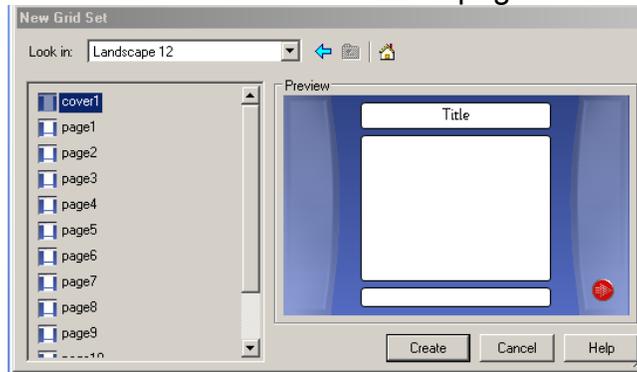
Select **Landscape 12** and click on **Create**

This will give you a book template that includes:

- a cover page
- up to 11 pages for pictures and text.
- A speaker button to speak the text
- Arrows to turn the page



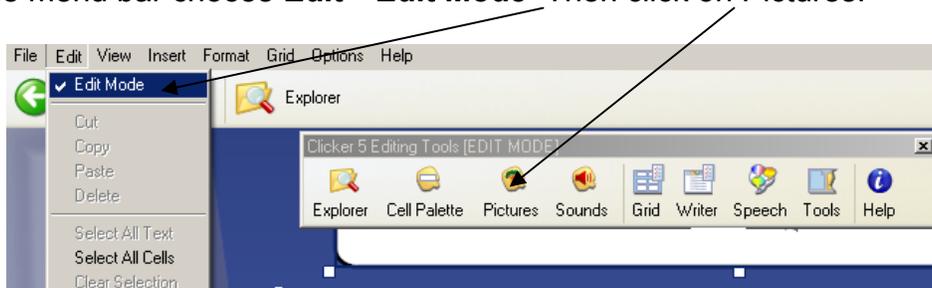
3. Select “cover 1” and click “Create” to make the cover page



4. Hold down “Shift” and then click on the “Title” cell to type in your title.  
Hold down “Shift” and then click on the bottom cell to type the author’s name.

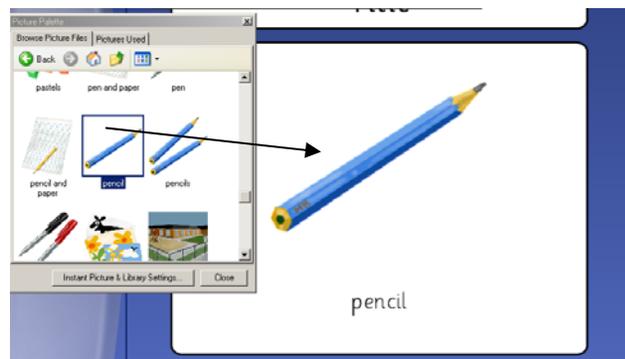


5. You can add pictures from the Clicker library to illustrate your book.  
From the menu bar choose **Edit**→**Edit Mode** Then click on Pictures.

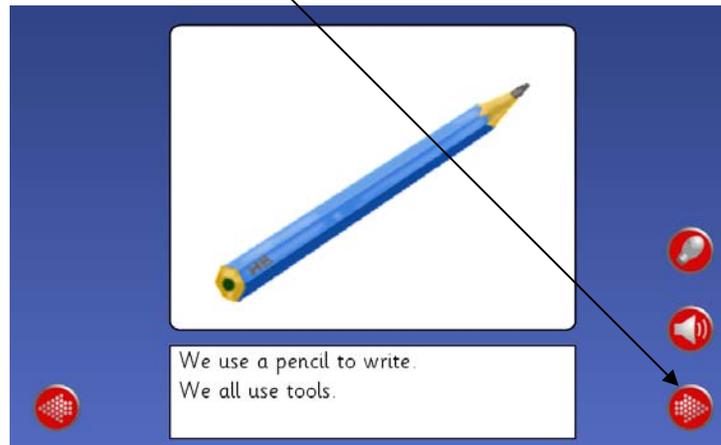


6. You can click and drag a picture from the library to your cell.

If you do not want to use the picture label, Shift and click on the label and then click on “Delete”

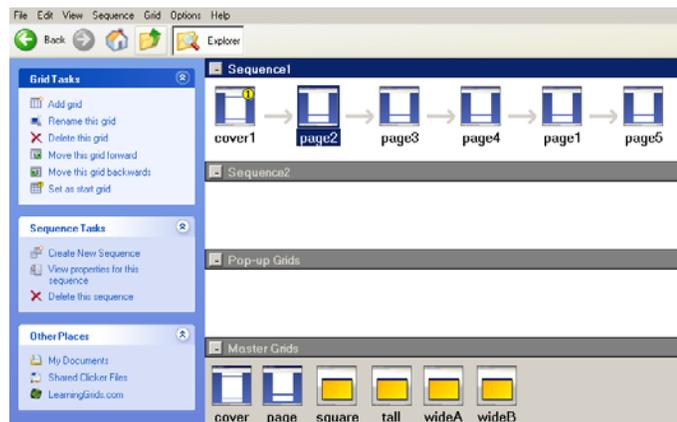


7. Click on the red arrow button to edit the next page in your book.  
Shift and click to enter text.  
Repeat steps 5 and 6 to insert a picture.



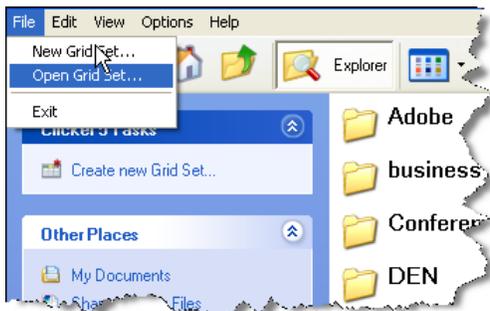
8. You can also put a video in your cell
  1. From the menu bar choose **Edit**→**Edit Mode**
  2. Minimize Clicker
  3. Find the video that you want to insert by navigating on your computer
  4. Drag the video file into a cell in Clicker 5
9. When you have created all the pages you need in your book, save your grid set. Choose **File**→**Save Grid Set As** from the menu. Name your book file. Browse to where you want to save your file.

5. Hint: If you need to eliminate extra or unwanted pages, you can go back to Edit Mode (From the menu bar choose **Edit**→**Edit Mode**) and then click on "Explorer". You can delete or move pages in this view.



## Using the e-book

A student can use the book you've created by selecting **File**→**Open Grid Set** from within Clicker and navigating to the location where you saved the grid. If Clicker is not already open, the student can simply click on the grid set you have saved – for example, in the Handout folder on your school network.



Once the grid is open, the student can read and reread the story by clicking on the speaker to hear the text read. The student can use the arrows to turn the pages.

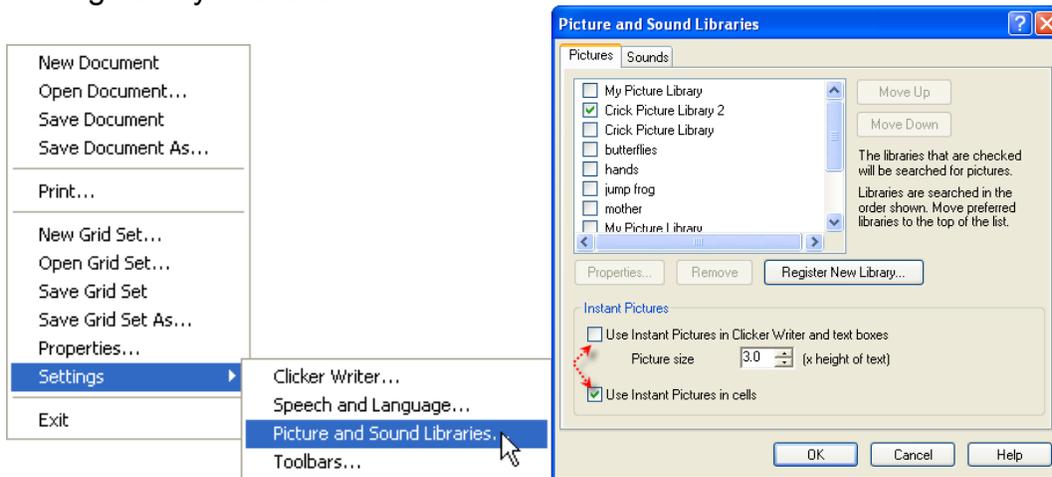
Some books have a record button. Students can record themselves reading the book. Then they should save another copy of the book using the command **File**→**Save Grid Set As** to give the book a new name.

### Important Note on Cells and Text Boxes

Usually, when using Clicker, we are used to having Clicker Writer at the top of the screen and a Grid Set in the lower part of the screen. Note that when you make an e-book, you are using a grid that covers the entire screen and there is no Clicker Writer document at all.

On your pages, you will notice that you have **boxes with rounded corners**. Those are “**cells**” and they work exactly like cells in word banks and sentence grids that we use with Clicker Writer. You also have **boxes with square corners**. Those are “**text boxes**” and they do not function like cells, they function like mini Clicker Writers.

You can determine whether pictures will appear in the cells and the text boxes as you type the words. Go to **File**→**Settings**→**Picture and Sound Libraries**. Check the appropriate boxes for the settings that you want.



### Changing the look of the cells and text boxes

- Make sure you are in Edit mode (from the menu bar choose **Edit**→**Edit Mode**)
- Hold down the **Shift** key and right-click on the cell or text box
- Choose **Properties**
- Notice that the properties you can change are different depending on whether you are working with a cell or a text box

