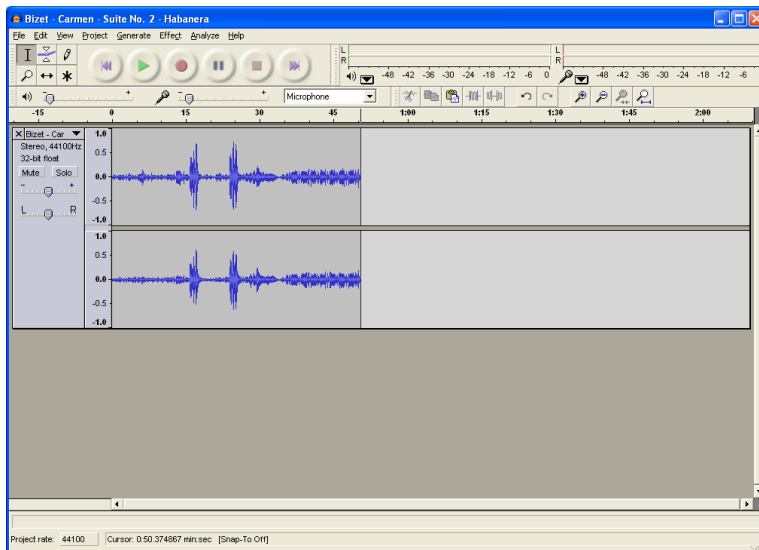


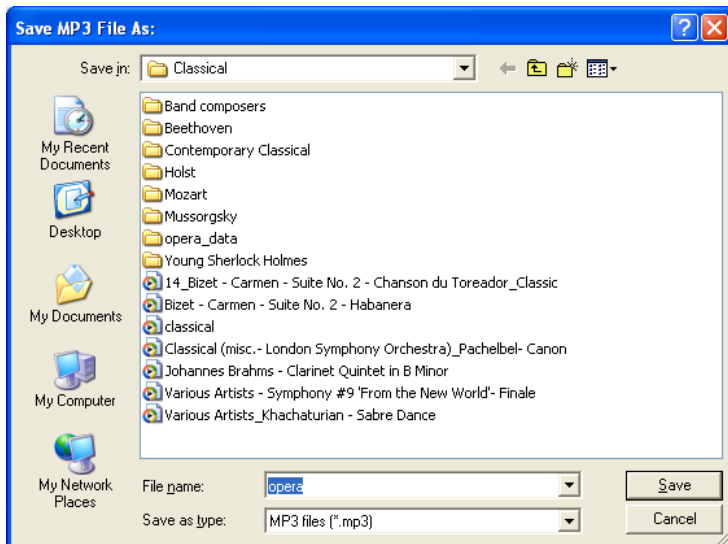
Open your music in Audacity by going to File/Open. Listen and watch the music and determine your cuts. When you see straight lines, those are soft moments and sometimes a natural place to cut.

Highlight parts you want cut and then hit the delete key or go to File/Cut.

If the section you want is in the middle, you'll cut part of the beginning of the song and part of the end.



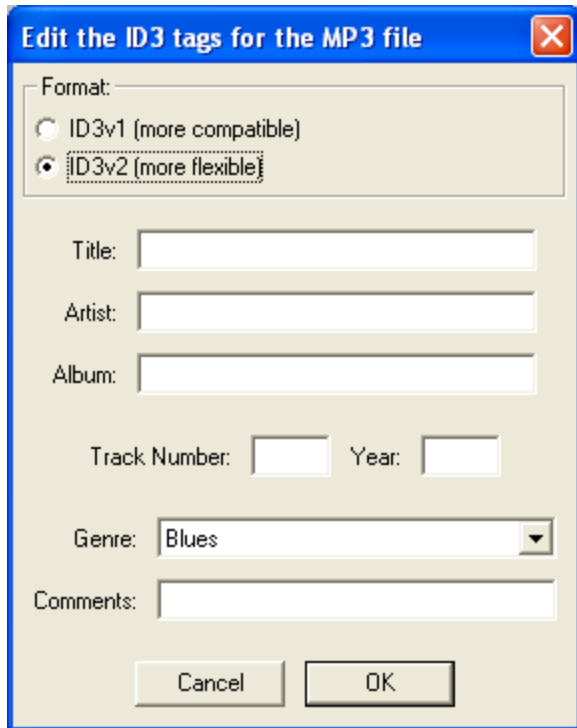
You then have your cut selection. The example to the right is about 50 seconds long. (see the numbers along the top)



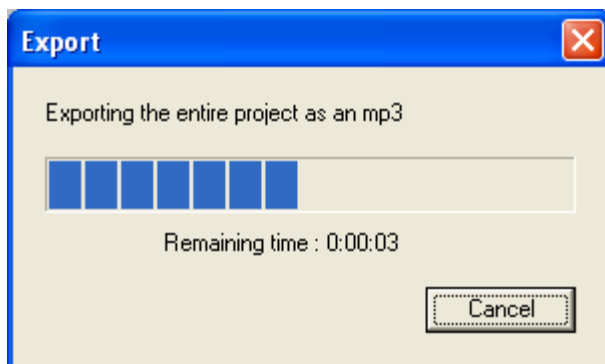
Export your file as either an mp3. Go to File/Export as mp3 .

You have the option of mp3 or wav, but wav files are very large and cannot be burned to a CD and played in a CD player.

I usually save the file with a name that is the type of music so that it can be easily identified (such as "Opera"). Also, you can play your music in order alphabetically this way.



This box will come up when you save the file as an mp3. I usually just enter the song type “Opera” in the title and then hit o.k. It isn’t crucial to fill everything out or have the correct genre.



It will take a few seconds to save the file. Then you are done – for that type of music. You’ll have to do this with each song you choose to present to your class.

Websites:

<http://music.download.com/> This has all sorts of free (really free) music in all kinds of genres. Many are unknown artists, but I found several that were good examples for certain genres like “African” music.

<http://audacity.sourceforge.net/download/> This is where you can download the audacity program. If you are not able to save files as mp3’s you made need an additional .dll file. You can get it from the Hereford website located here: <http://www.herefordisd.net/Downloads.htm>

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