

EMP Shockwave

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- **SKILL LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE**
- Simple tweening and masking



TUTORIAL

This trick was inspired by Starcraft's EMP shockwave ... pretty easy to do.

Here is a screenshot of the frames you will be creating. YUP! That's right only 3 layers :)



- Create one symbol ... a circle and make it pretty thick. But make sure it has a 'hallow' center:



- Create another symbol with the text you want to have the effect on.

Now go back to the stage and create three layers:

Mask (top layer), After (middle layers) & Before (bottom layer).

- On the 'Before' layer insert your text symbol & copy it.
- On the 'Middle' layer, use "Paste In Place" (from Edit menu) and past the text into frame 1. Double click the graphic and apply 75% alpha to it. Also scale the image smaller than the original text. Now insert a keyframe at #10 and double click the image there and change the alpha setting to 50%. Scale the image to be larger than the text. Now apply Motion Tweening to frame #1 of that layer. (See pictures below for this as well)
- On the 'Mask' layer insert your circle and scale it to where it's in the center of your text and small: Also, right click this layer and select mask from the menu.



Motion tween frame 1 through 10 and on the last frame scale the circle to where it completely does not cover ANY text:



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