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# Exploding Text Effect

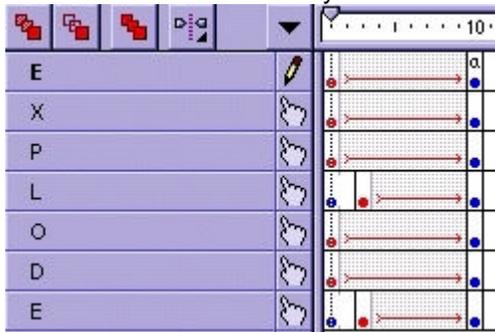
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- **SKILL LEVEL: EASY**
- Know how to tween and scale objects

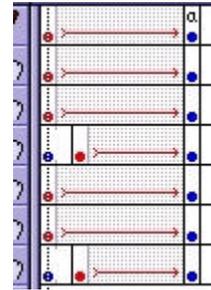
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## TUTORIAL

Screenshot of the Frames you will create in this tutorial:



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## **STEP #1**

First off, to create this effect *EACH* letter you use must be a symbol. Above I have 2 E's in the word Explode. It is only one symbol, just on different layers. No need to create more than one of the same symbol.

## **STEP #2**

On the main stage insert each letter into it's *OWN* layer at Frame#1. Line them up so that it looks like it's one word. Gridlines turned on might help with this step.

## **STEP #3**

Now insert keyframes at Frame#10 on every layer. Then on each one select the letter and move it to it's final position. You can scale, rotate, and scew to get your desired effect. Make sure to spread the letters out a little so it looks more realistic.

### **TIP:**

If you are exploding back then scale your object smaller. If it's blowing up then enlarge the object.

## **STEP #4**

Then apply Motion Tweening to Frame#1 on every layer & make sure that 'Orient to Path Direction' is checked. In the picture of the frames above you will notice that some tweening starts a couple of frames later. This is optional.

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