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2D Spinning Text Effect

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

I know you've all seen this before! Well, if you don't know how to do this already you will after this :) I will have an easy tutorial and then a more realistic tutorial (just a tiny bit more complicated) that actually spins the text 360°.

Spinning 2D Text

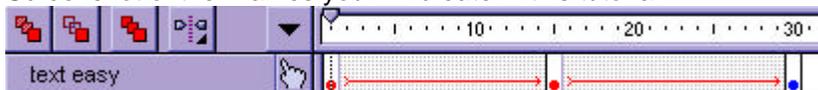
EASY -- Notice how this one you can always see the front of the text. This only takes two tweens to accomplish.

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HARDER -- This one actually shows you different aspects of the text. Like when it reads backwards. This takes 4 tweens to accomplish.

EASY TUTORIAL

Screenshot of the Frames you will create in this tutorial:



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STEP #1

At Frame#1 type your text and make it a graphic symbol. Place the text where you want it and make sure it stays there :)

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STEP #2

Insert a keyframe (F6) at Frame 30. Now copy the graphic you just made and paste it into Frame 30 using the 'Paste in Place' feature under the edit menu. Don't do anything to it. It stays the same just like Frame#1.



STEP #3

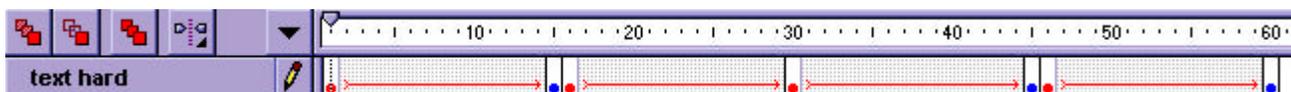
Insert a keyframe at Frame 15. Lastly paste it into Frame#15 just like in step two. Scale the object down as small as it will go. It will look like a blur. But this is what you have to do for the effect ... so don't get too nervous!

STEP #4

Now apply Motion Tweening to Frame#1 and Frame #15. Make sure 'Scale Object' is checked. Wah-lah!!

HARDER TUTORIAL

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STEP #1

At Frame#1 type your text and make it a graphic symbol. Place the text where you want it.

STEP #2

Now copy the graphic you just made and paste it into Frame 60 using the 'Paste in Place' feature under the edit menu. Don't do anything to it. It stays the same just like Frame#1.

STEP #3

Paste the text into Frame#15 just like in step two. Scale the object down as small as it will go. It will look like a blur. But this is what you have to do for the effect ... so don't get too nervous!

STEP #4

Copy the frame from Step 3 and paste the frame at Frame #41. If you notice we are working are way outward in... this is a simple process of 'spin logic'.

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STEP #5

Paste your text your copied earlier into Frame #30 using the 'Paste in Place' feature. Select the text and flip it by going to 'Modify' > 'Transform' > 'Flip Horizontal'. Copy the text when finished.

STEP #6

Paste the text with 'Paste in Place' into Frame#11. Shrink the text down as small as you can get it. Copy the Frame.

STEP #7

Paste the frame you just copied over Frame#45.

STEP #8

To finish up, tween all necessary Frames. Look at my screen shot above to see what frames need to be tweened. (Frame1, Frame11, Frame30, Frame 46)