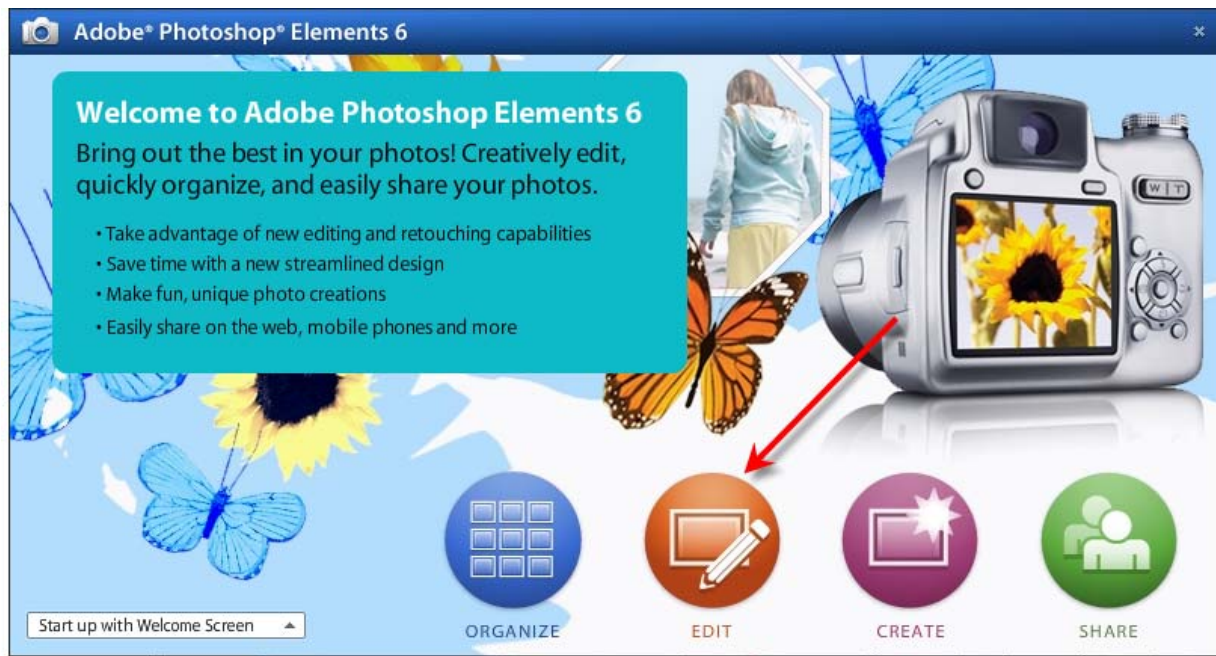
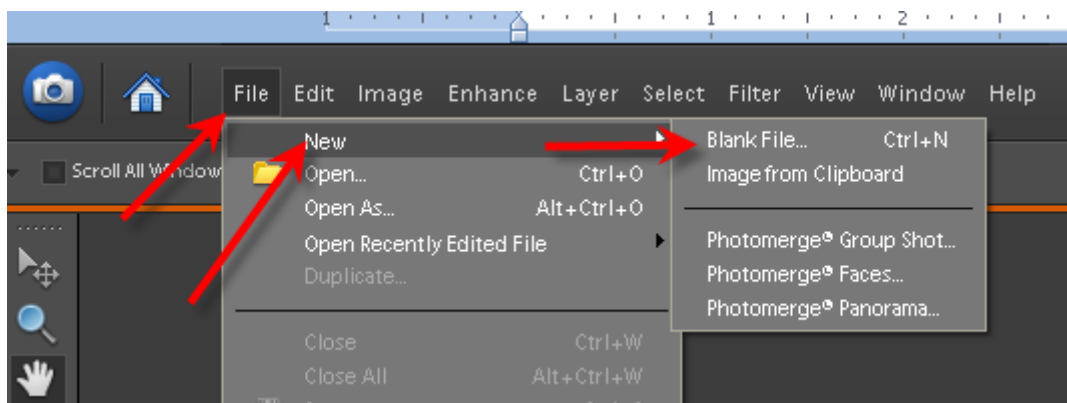


## Making an Animated GIF in Photoshop Elements 6

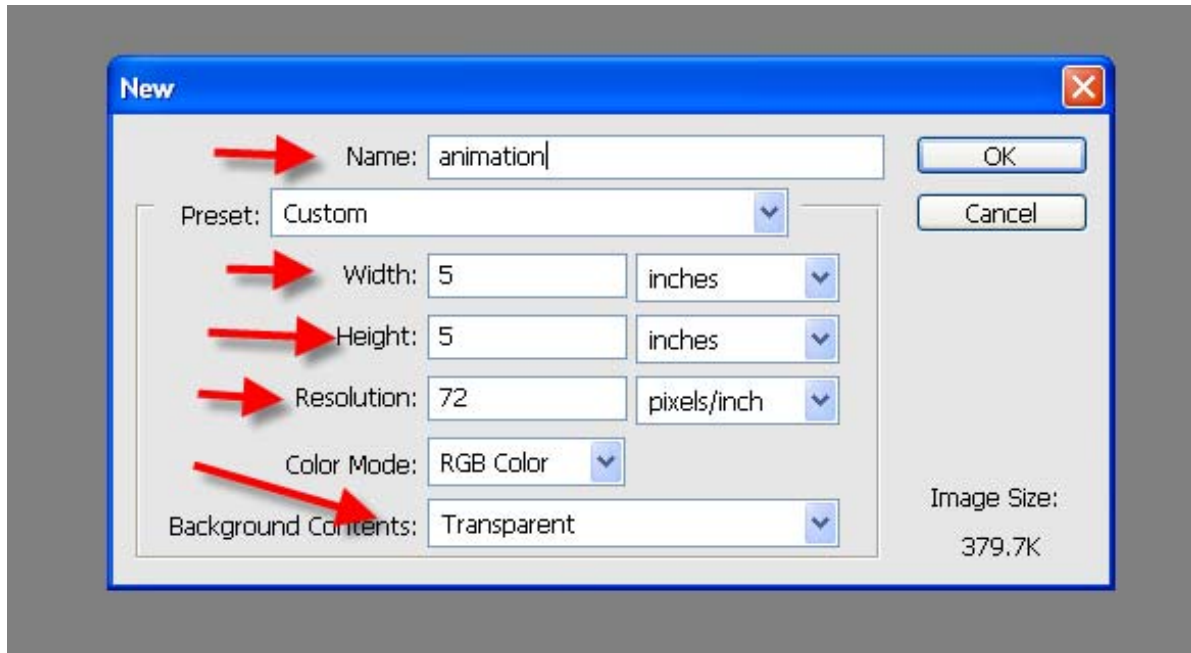


Open the program and choose Edit from the Welcome Screen.

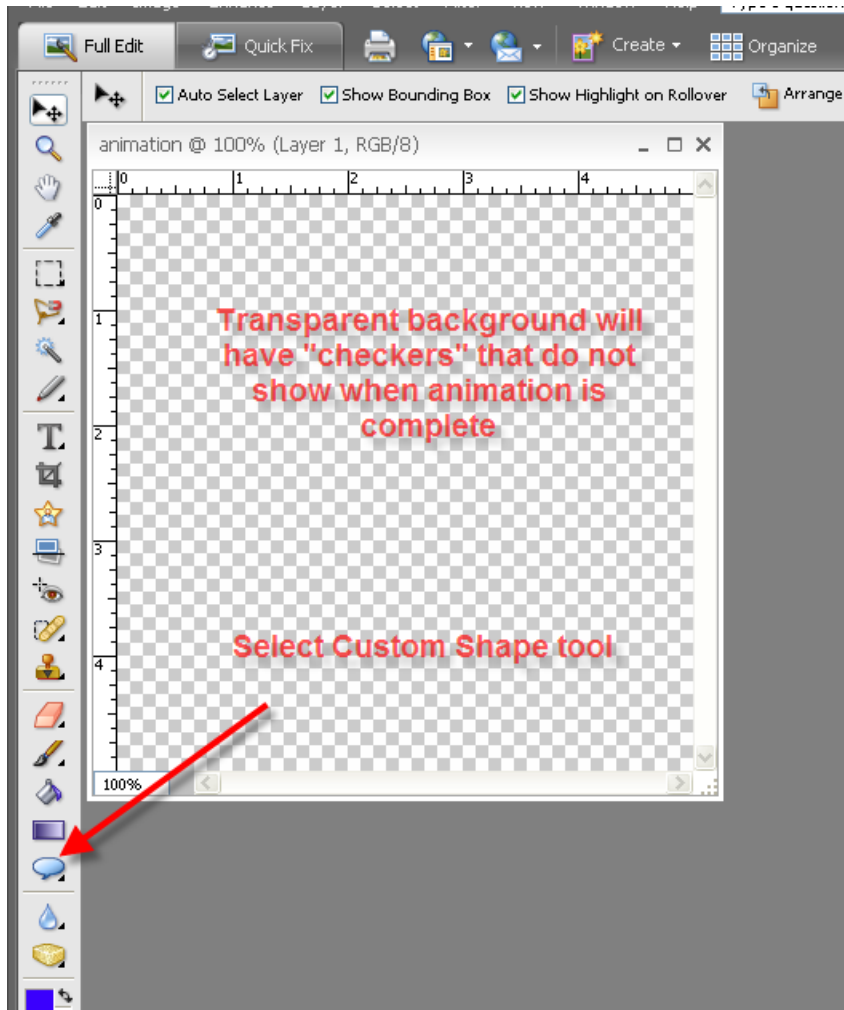


File>New>Blank file

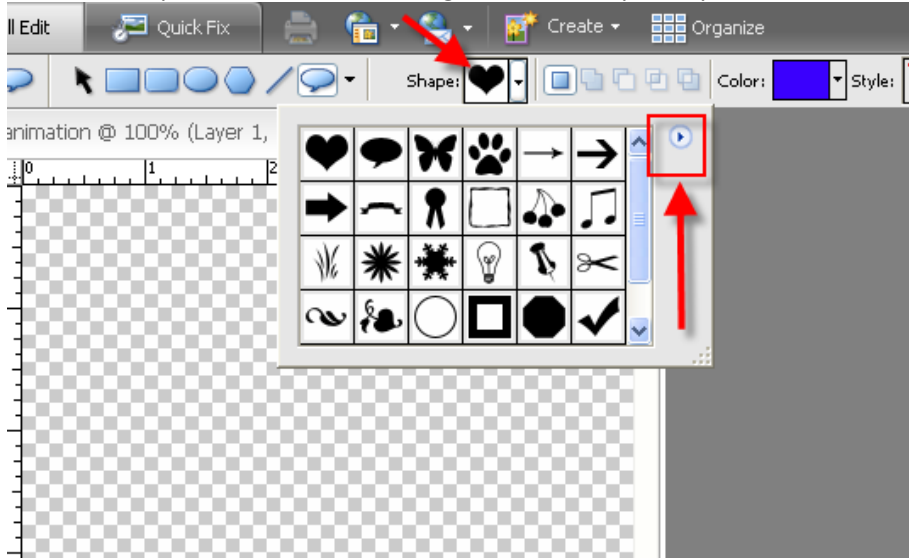
Set size, resolution, background, title as desired (transparent background is best for animations):



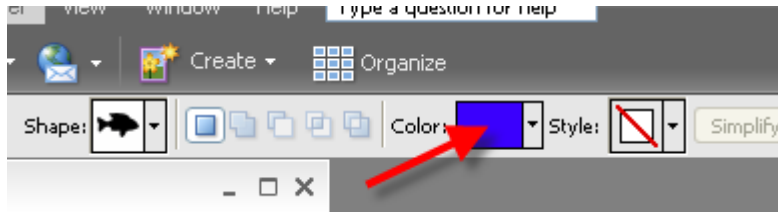
Background will appear in work window – select Custom Shape tool from toolbar along the left side:



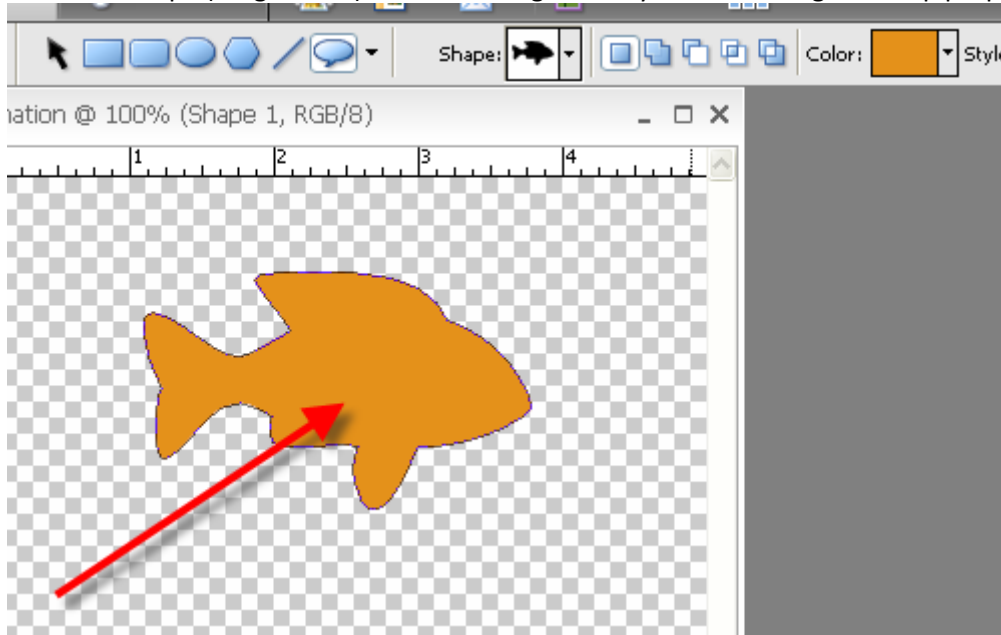
Choose a shape from the window or go to more shapes at pull-down arrow:



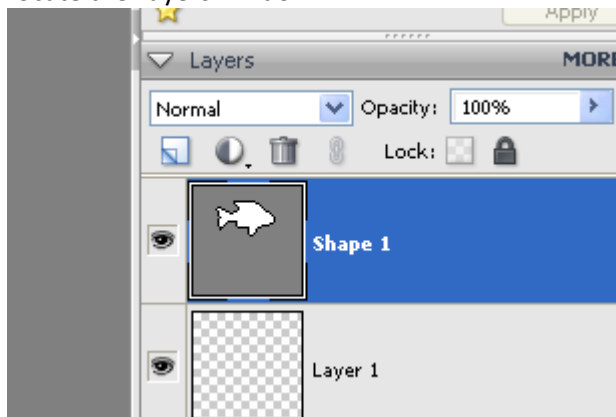
Choose a starting color (click on square):



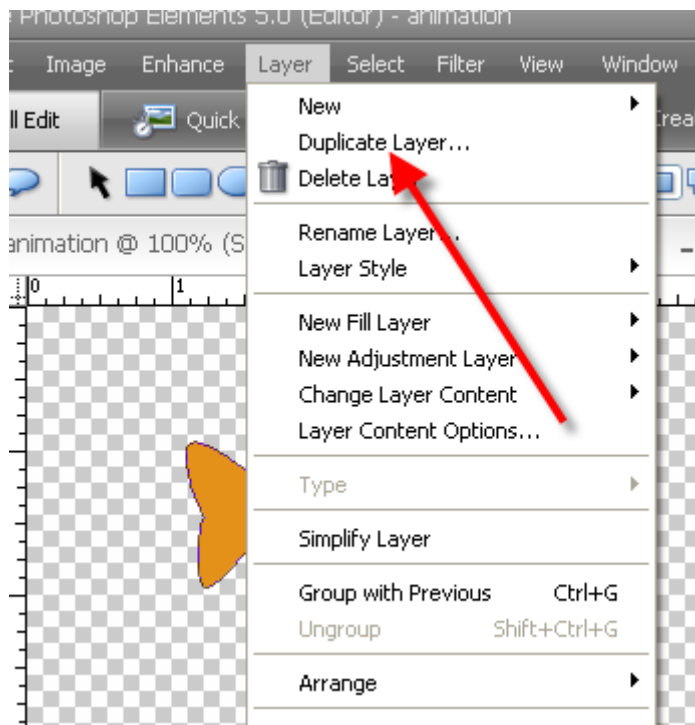
Draw first shape (drag mouse). Hint – holding shift key while drawing will keep proportions:



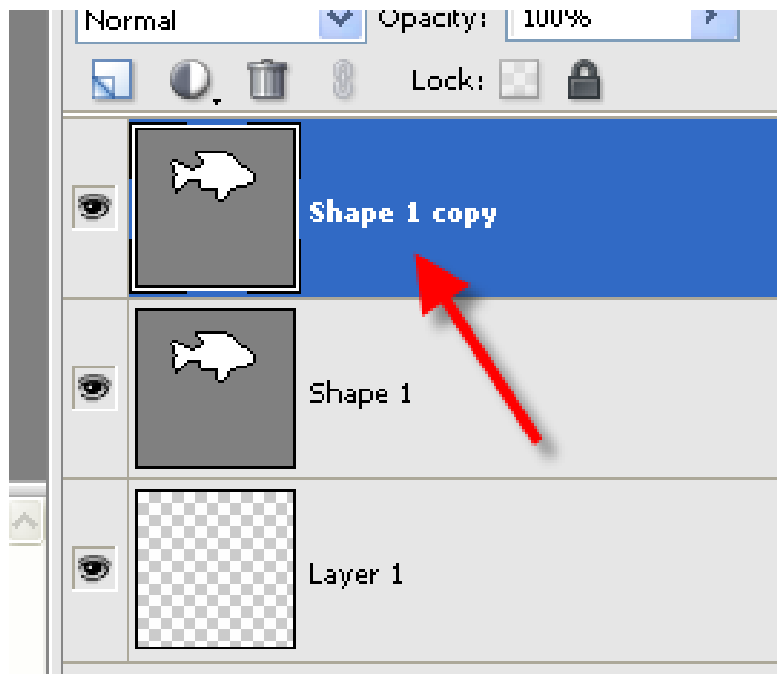
Locate the Layers window :



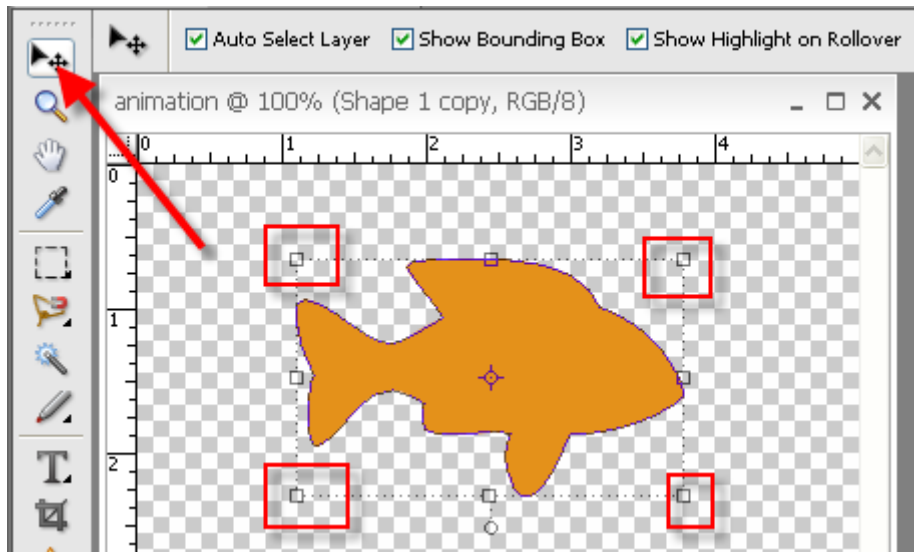
Duplicate the layer:



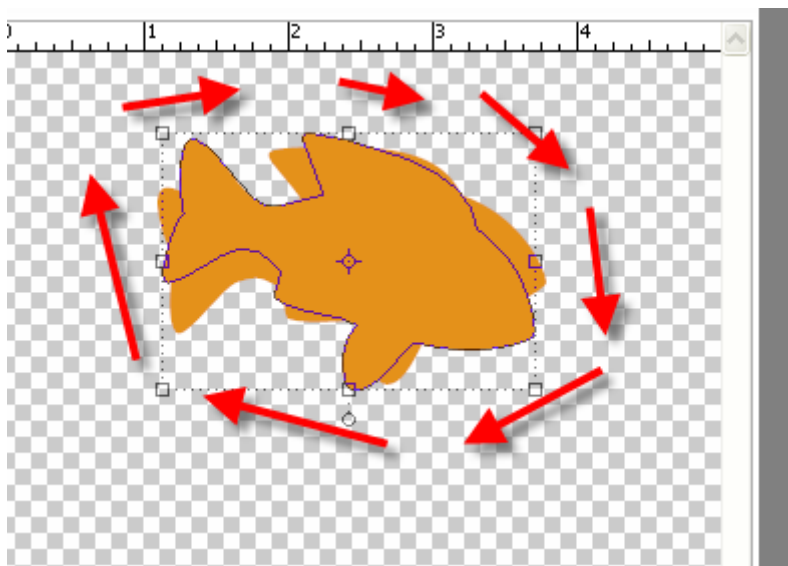
The result:



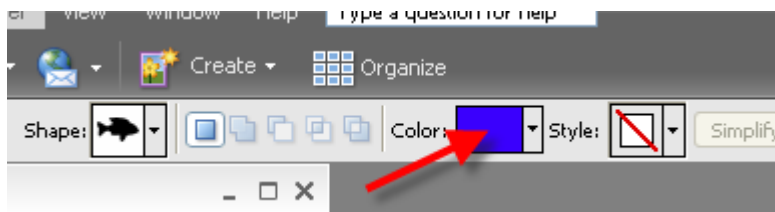
Make sure you are on the new layer, then choose the Move tool at the top of the menu:



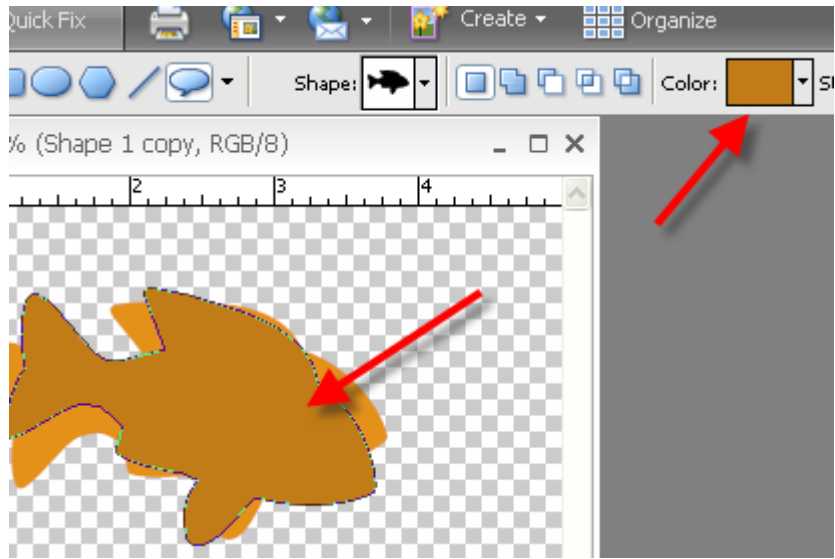
Rotate the shape slightly with the move tool:



Change the color of the shape by selecting the Custom Shape tool again and going to the color square – choose a slightly lighter or darker color. Hint – the color square will not show up if you have not selected the Custom Shape tool again:



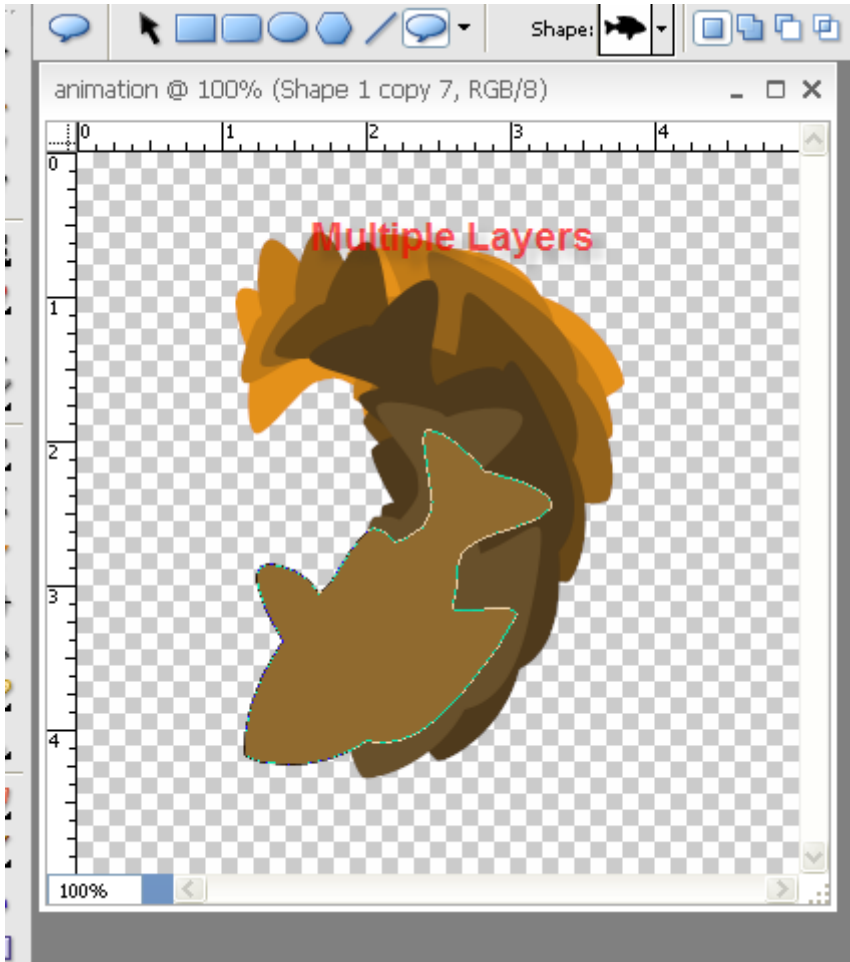
The result:



Continue the process:

- **Duplicate layer**
- **Rotate Shape**
- **Change Color**

You should have at least eight layers in your animation:

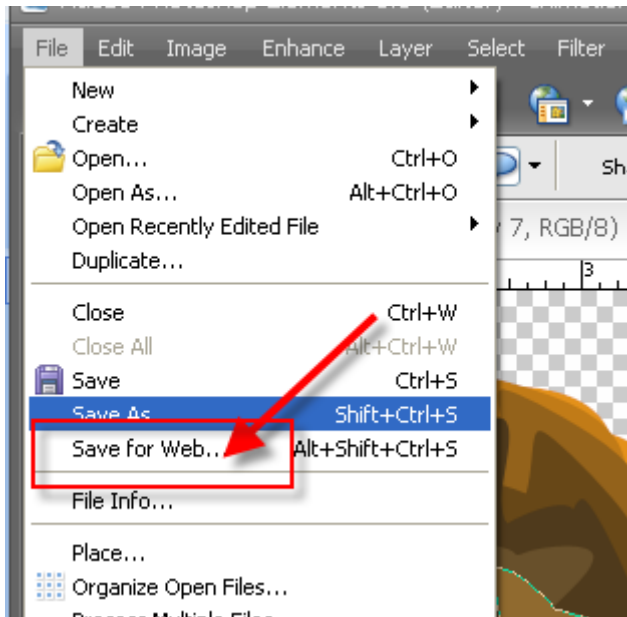


The Layers Window:

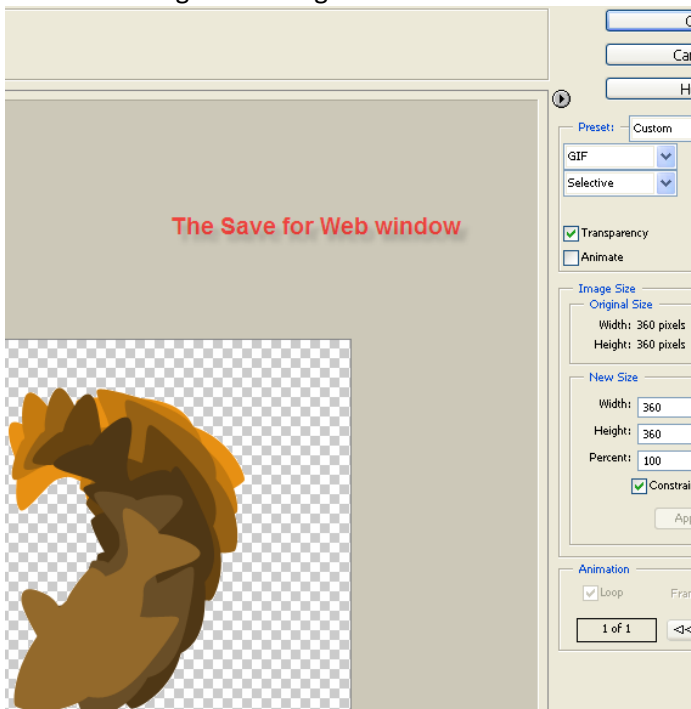




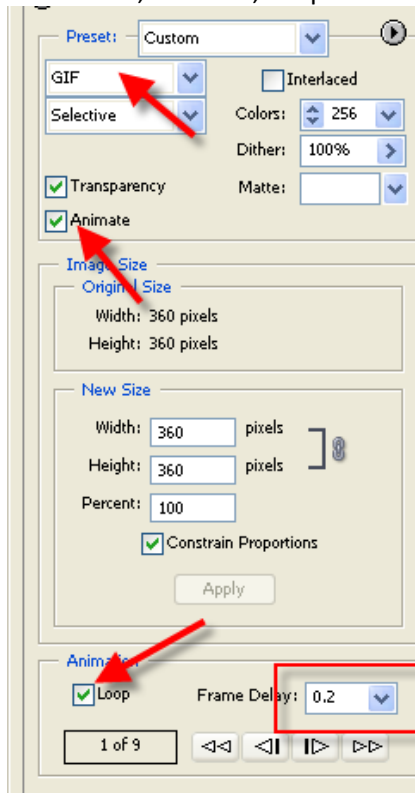
Now go to Save for Web:



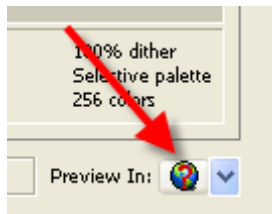
Find the Settings on the Right:



Choose GIF, Animate, Loop and set your frame delay time:



Click on the Preview button at the bottom right:



If you like the way it looks, save it in a place that you will remember to use later in a presentation or on the web.



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