

9. How to remove unwanted segments from an MP3 track using the Cut command.

At the end of this lesson you will be able to execute the procedure removing unwanted segments from an MP3 track by using the *Cut* command to select the portion of the track you want to discard.

Step One:

Open the original unedited MP3 track. We will use this track to **cut** the beginning of this track.

Step Two:

Select the area you want to remove from the track by using the **Selection Tool**. Zoom into the area if needed.

Once the beginning portion is highlighted it turns dark grey in colour. This is the area that will be cut away.

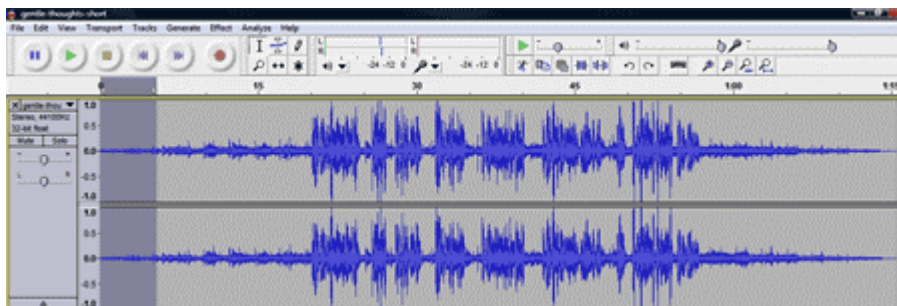


Figure 9.1 Area selected with Selection Tool

Step Three:

Select the scissors icon on the editing tool bar. Alternatively select **Edit > Cut** or **Ctrl + X**. This will cut the area selected from the track.

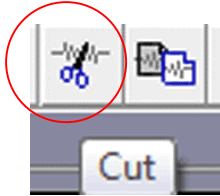


Figure 9.2 Cut Tool

Step Five:

Test your track by pressing the play button.

Note: When an area of audio is cut the remainder is automatically moved to position 0.

Note:

The area that has been cut can be pasted into a different location. With the **Selection Tool** go to the area you wish to paste the audio by clicking that part of the waveform. Select **Edit > Paste** and it is now in a new location.

In the next lesson we will learn how to modify an MP3 track so that it becomes soft background music.