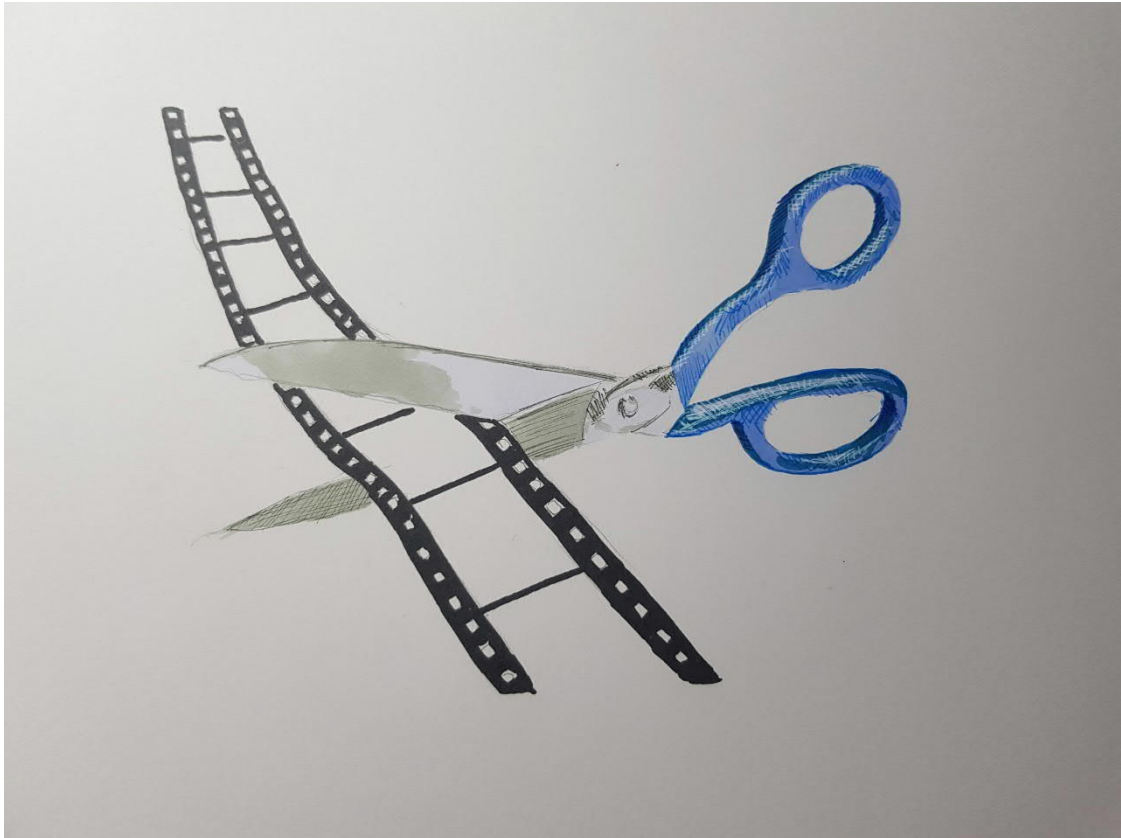


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To make a long story short: To explain the situation in as few words as possible.



Examples:

- (1) To make a long story short, I broke my wrist, on the holiday trip in the mountains. I wasn't looking where I was going when I tripped over the rock in the trail.
- (2) He went for a walk with his dog, when he came back he was muddy. He said, to make a long story short, his dog pulled him into the mud while chasing a rabbit.