



Upload a video using YouTube

Most people have access to a camcorder or a camera that shoots video. If you can get video in a digital file, you can easily upload it to YouTube. Simply find a subject and start shooting. Your video should be on the topic of your Web site. Interview someone. Talk to people at an event, on the street. Be creative.

If you want to do additional editing, you need to have access to a video editing program like iMovie. You are not required to do so, but some of you may want to do additional work on your videos. See the iMovie handout for those instructions.

Sometimes a file from your camera will not open on your computer. Try using MPEG Streamclip (free download for Mac or PC) to convert to a Quicktime file. I use the Apple Intermediate Codec and keep the file at the original dimensions. This is a great program to convert any type of file. You can even do a little rudimentary editing in it.

It's easy to upload your video to YouTube. Simple go to youtube.com, and if you don't already have an account, sign up. Then you choose the Upload Button. On the Upload page, choose Upload Video. Select the file you want to upload, and then wait for it to process. Once it is done, you can get the url so you can embed on your blog.

For a Wordpress.com blog, you can use this code in the HTML tab to insert your video:

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[youtube=http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uEqPi5xW8JY]
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(of course, you use the url of your own video)

If you click the video icon, it will walk you through this. Choose the From URL tab.

For other types of blogs or Web sites, use the Embed code on the YouTube video page.