

# Tiki-Toki | Timeline Application

## Getting Started.

Tiki-Toki is a web-based application for building interactive timelines, and is incredibly easy to use. In this tutorial, you will learn how to sign-up for a free account and embed images, text, and videos.



**Note:** A free account will only allow you to create **one** timeline. You will also not be able to host images on their server, but will instead need an external hosting site, like Flickr.

## Getting An Account.

1. Go to the website: <http://www.tiki-toki.com>, click on “Free Sign Up” in the upper right corner.



2. A dialog window will appear where you can enter your personal information and create a password.

A dark dialog box titled "Sign up" with a close button (X) in the top right. The text inside says: "Signing up takes less than a minute - you'll be creating your first timeline in almost no time." Below this are four input fields: "Enter username", "Enter email", "Enter password", and "If you have been given a class code, enter it below:" followed by "Enter class code". At the bottom, there is a checkbox with "X" checked and the text "I agree to terms & conditions". A "Sign up" button is in the bottom right corner.

3. Check this box to agree to the policy terms.

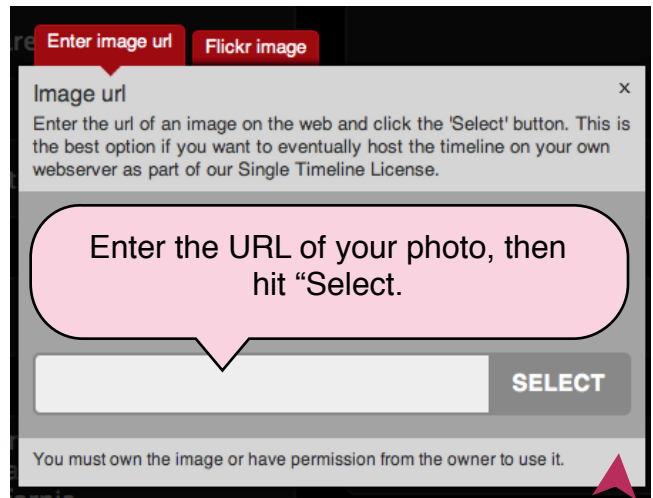
A dark dialog box titled "Thanks for signing up" with a close button (X) in the top right. The text inside says: "Congratulations, you are now a signed up member of Tiki-Toki, the best online service for creating beautiful interactive timelines. Click the below button to log in and get started creating your first timeline! If you do not already have a Flickr account, we recommend that you sign up here. Flickr is the best way of sharing photos on the web and the best way of using your photos on Tiki-Toki." At the bottom, there is a "Log in" button.

5. Another dialog box will appear. Select “Log-in.”

4. Click “Sign-up.”

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## Your First Timeline.



Add an **Intro Image**. It is also important to credit your photos.

Choose a **title** for your timeline.

Choose a **time range**. You can enter as MM/DD/YYYY (you do not have to input hour, minutes or seconds). Or, you can also click on the calendar icon for a visual display.

**“Introduction”** and **“About”** will appear as a dialog box when anyone first enters your timeline.

### CREATE NEW TIMELINE

\* Title:

\* Start date:

\* End date:

\* Introduction:

About:

Intro image:

Intro image credit:

Background image:

Background image credit:

Background colour:

Highlight colour:

The **background image** will appear as a wallpaper/backdrop behind your timeline.

You can modify the **color scheme**.

Click here to create your timeline.

**Note:** You can search for licensed photos on [creativecommons.org](http://creativecommons.org).

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# Tiki-Toki | Timeline Application Toolbar.

Click on this triangle to open and close this "Admin" window.

Here you will see a list of stories on your timeline.

Click here to "Create a New Story."

Intro is the brief text that will appear as a sub headline beneath the title. Your full story should be added under "Extra Info."

Click on 'Create a New Story' and a new section will appear (as pictured right) -- enter a title and it will automatically insert a start/end date depending on where you are on the timeline. You can manually change this information. Once you click "Save," you'll be able to add Story Media (photos, videos, etc.) and Extra Info.

**Meeting my Suitemates**

Basic info    Story media    Extra Info

**Title:** Meeting my Suitemates

**Start date:** 20 Aug 2010 22:12:13

**End date:** 20 Aug 2010 22:12:13

**Intro:** I met the other 7 girls I would be living with for the rest of the year.

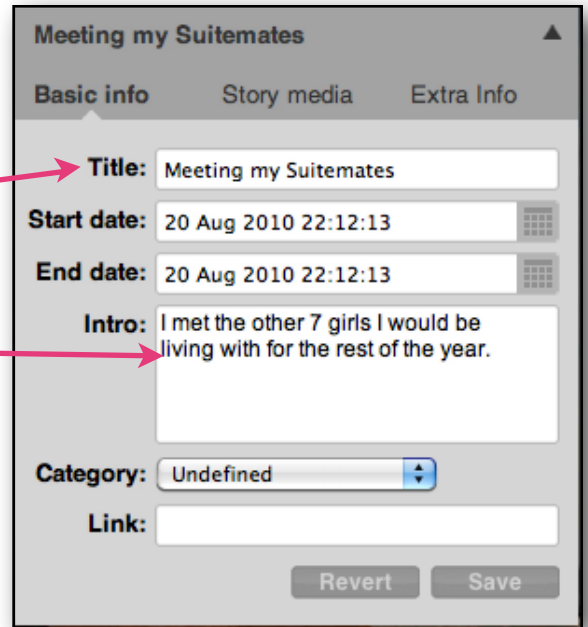
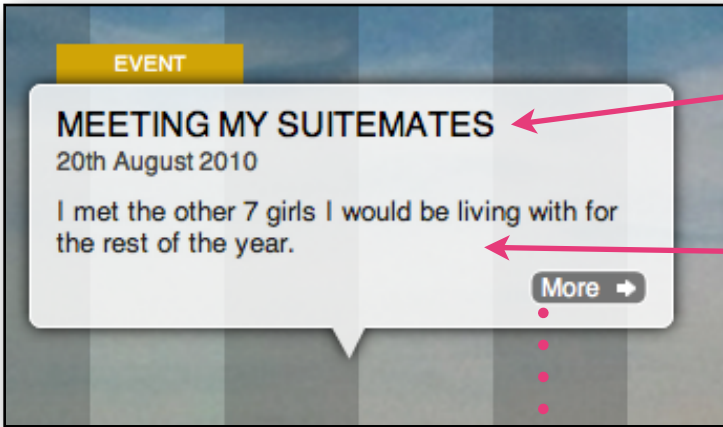
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**Link:**

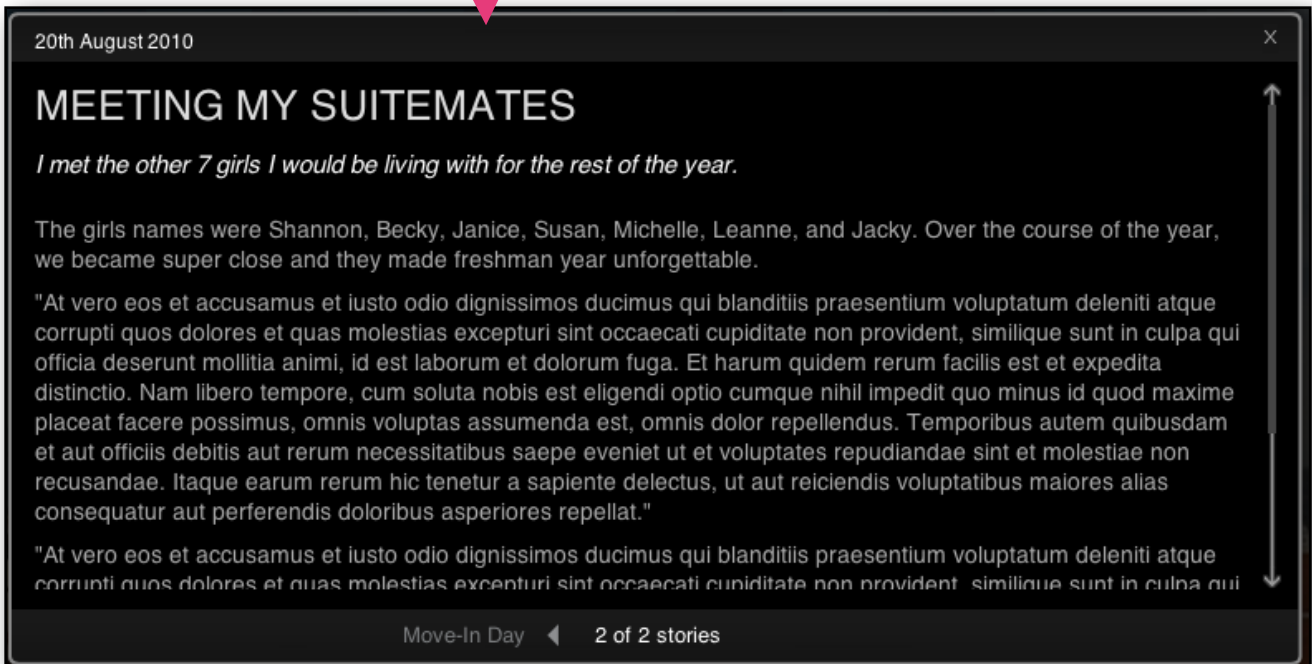
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Extra Info: Story Media (photos, videos, etc.) and you click "save," you'll be able to add

## Creating Content.



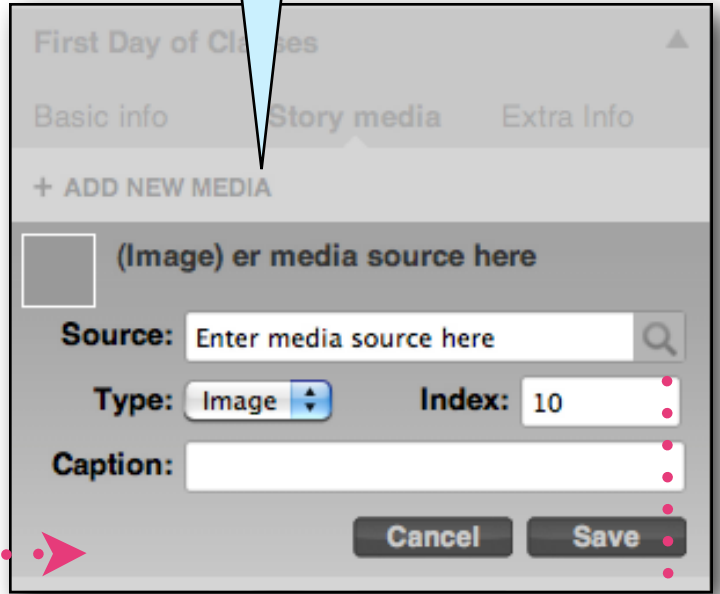
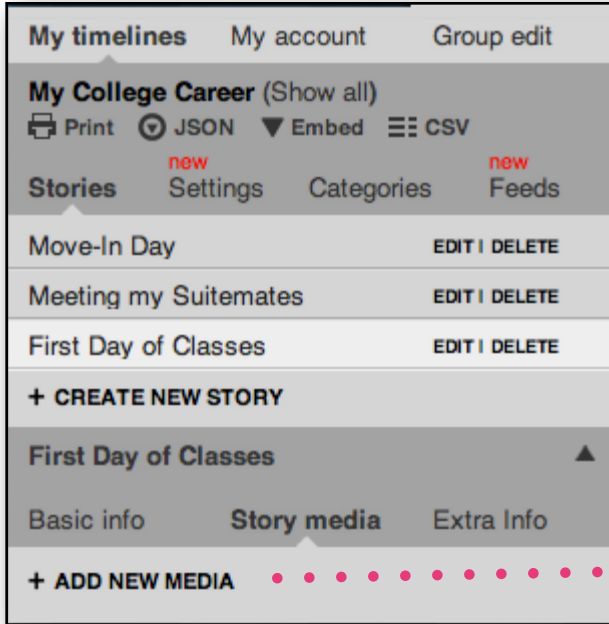
Clicking the "More" button will display the text that was included in "Extra Info."



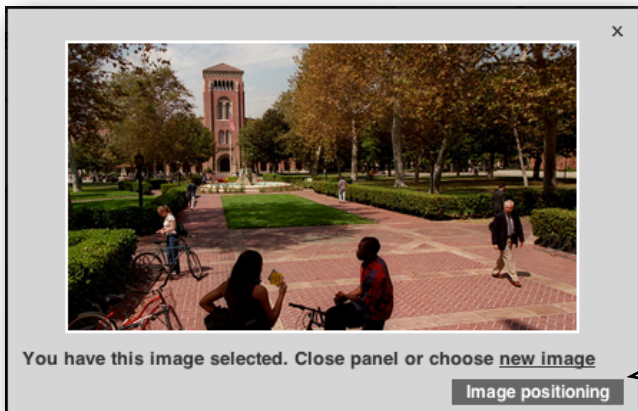
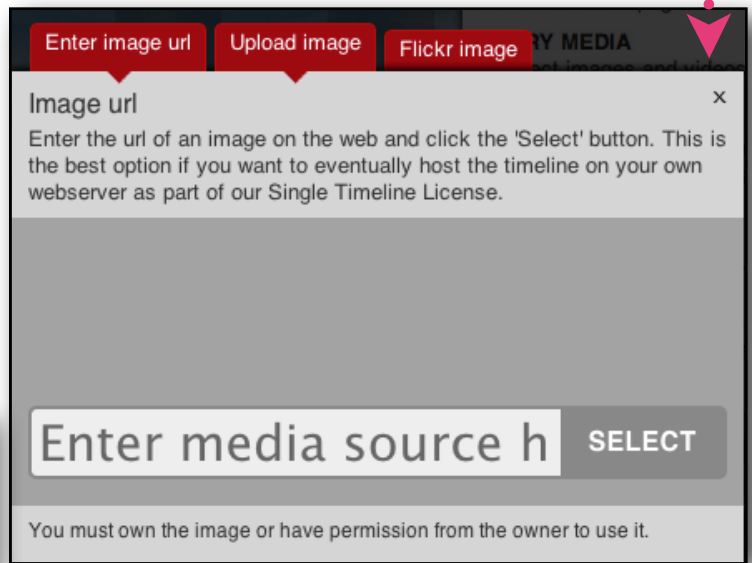


## Adding images.

Click “Add New Media” on your story. This dialog box will then appear.

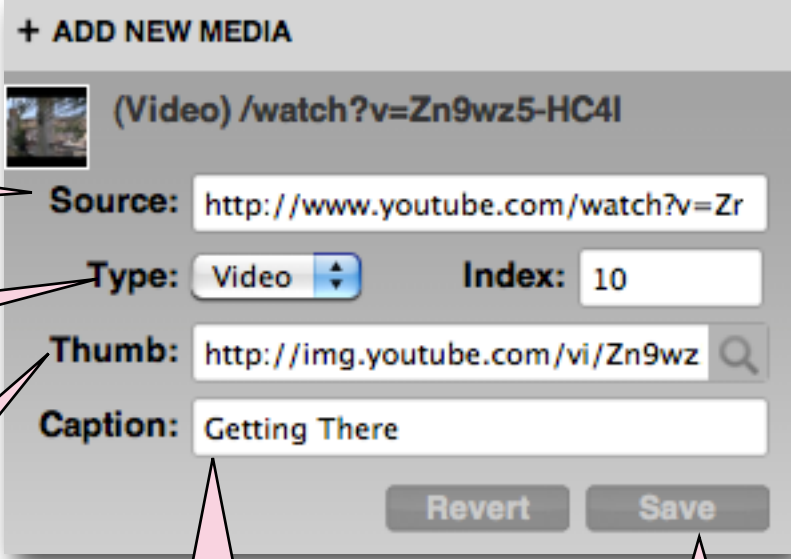


Enter the image URL, or you can also link your Flickr account for faster access. Again, with a tiki-toki pro account, you can “upload images” directly from your computer. For this free account, we do not have that option.



Once the image is selected, you can play with the the “Image Positioning” to modify how it appears on the timeline.

## Adding Video.



**+ ADD NEW MEDIA**

(Video) /watch?v=Zn9wz5-HC4I

**Source:**

**Type:** Video **Index:**

**Thumb:**

**Caption:**

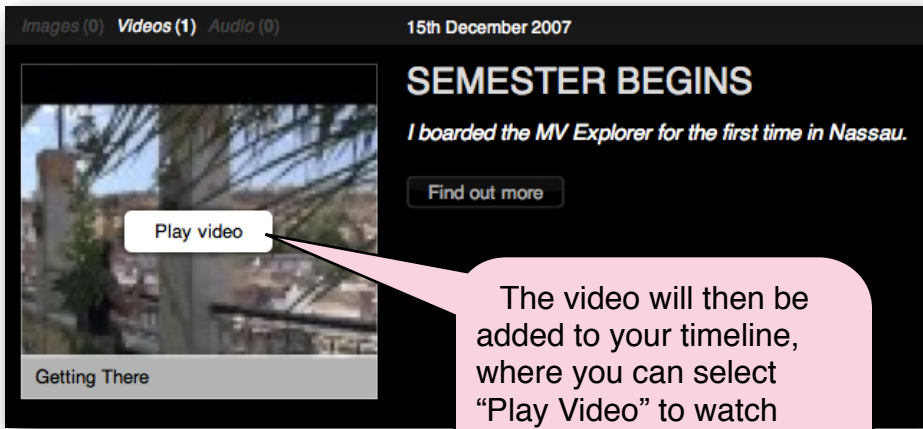
Find the video on YouTube or Vimeo, and paste URL under "Source."

Choose "Video" under Type.

It will automatically create a thumbnail for you.

You can add a caption. In this case, "Getting There" is the title of the video.

Save your changes.



Images (0) Videos (1) Audio (0) 15th December 2007

### SEMESTER BEGINS

*I boarded the MV Explorer for the first time in Nassau.*

Getting There

The video will then be added to your timeline, where you can select "Play Video" to watch within your timeline.

With a pro account, you can also add audio files, including mp3.

## Viewing Your Timeline.

It'll show the date that you're currently looking at on your timeline.

The Stories will hover over the background image and correspond to their associated dates.



Hover over the square box to click and drag -- this will change the view on your timeline. You can also click on the dots (which represent stories) to get to a section quickly.

*You can also use your mouse to scroll across your timeline.*



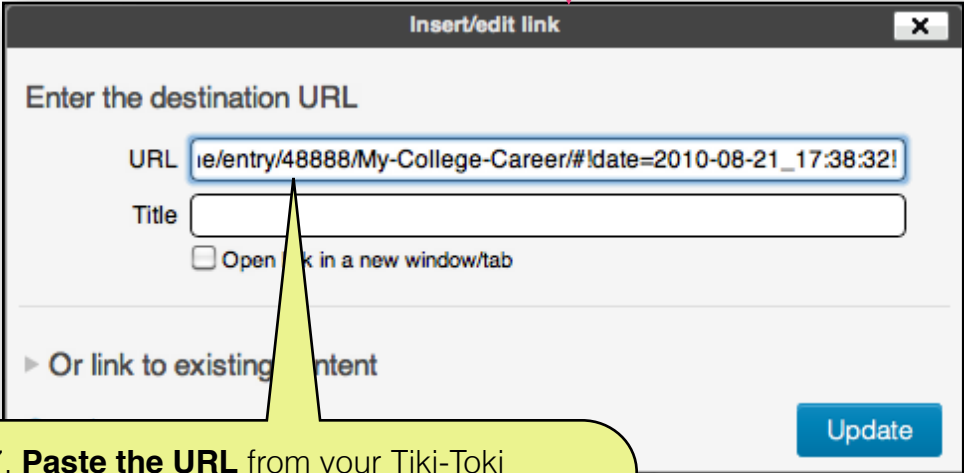
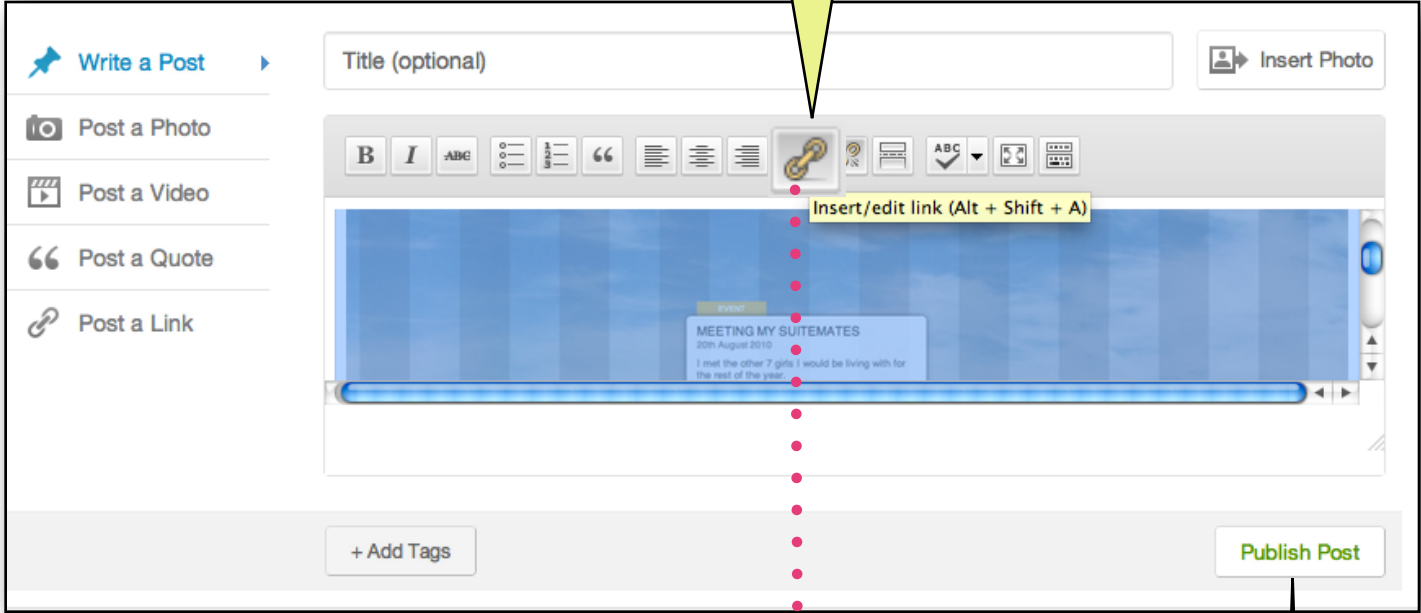
## Posting your Timeline to WordPress.com.

The image shows a composite of two screenshots. The top screenshot is from a tiki-toki timeline entry titled "My College Career" dated "22nd August 2010". It features a blue and white striped background and a central event box titled "MEETING MY SUITEMATES" dated "20th August 2010" with the text "I met the other 7 girls I would be living with for the rest of the year." and a "More" link. The bottom screenshot is the WordPress.com "Write a Post" interface, showing the "Title (optional)" field, a rich text editor with various formatting tools, and an "Insert Photo" button. Five yellow callout boxes with black text provide numbered instructions for the process.

1. Copy the **URL** of your tiki-toki timeline.
2. Take a **screenshot** of your timeline. On a Mac, press **Command + Shift + 4**, let go and then your cursor will become a crosshair where you can select the boundaries. On a PC, use the "Print Scrn" button. This will save a photo to your desktop.
3. Sign onto WordPress.com and click on **New Post**.
4. Give your post a **title**.
5. Click "**Insert Photo**." Browse for the screenshot on your desktop, then select "Open." Your timeline photo will then be uploaded.

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6. Click on the **link** button.



7. **Paste the URL** from your Tiki-Toki timeline into the field and click Update.

8. Now click on **Publish Post** and your timeline is now linked to your WordPress.com site!

*With a pro account subscription, you can embed your timeline directly to your site, in addition to hosting your media on their server.*