

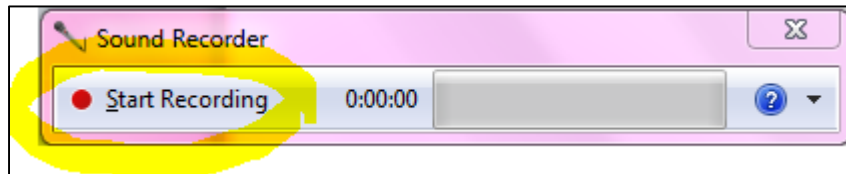


Digital Storytelling Technical Resources

Below are some resources on how to use Audacity (an audio program), "Video Downloadhelper" to save video and audio to your computer, and how to upload to Youtube.

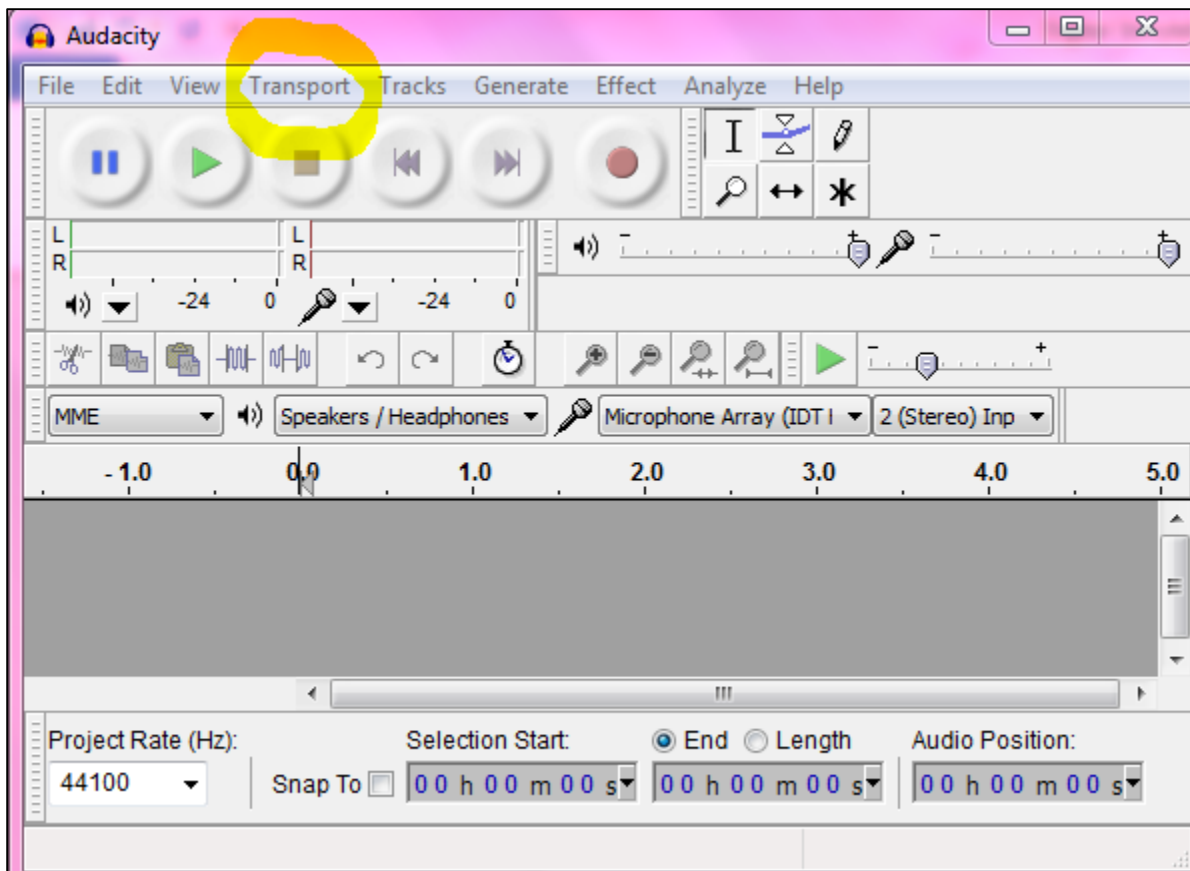
Record narration with sound recorder:

Go to your start menu, and search for "sound recorder." Click "start recording" (circled in yellow below) when you are ready to begin your narration. We suggest you watch your digital story while reading your script to pace yourself. When you are satisfied with your recording, you can save it to your computer.



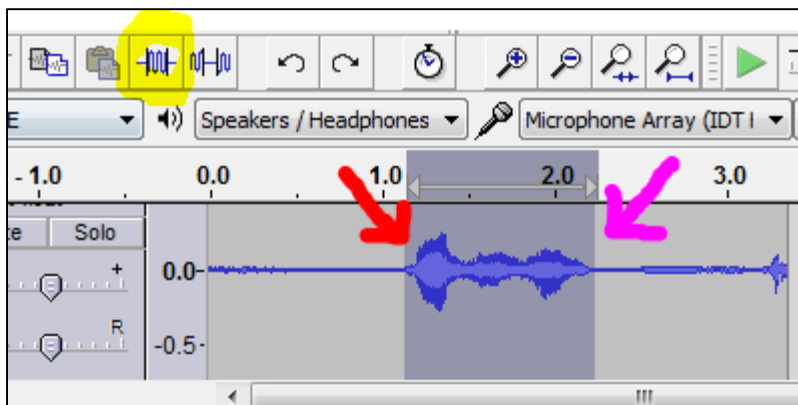
Record narration with Audacity:

First, download Audacity from <http://audacity.sourceforge.net/>. To record narration on audacity, choose "transport" (as shown below circled in yellow) and click "record."

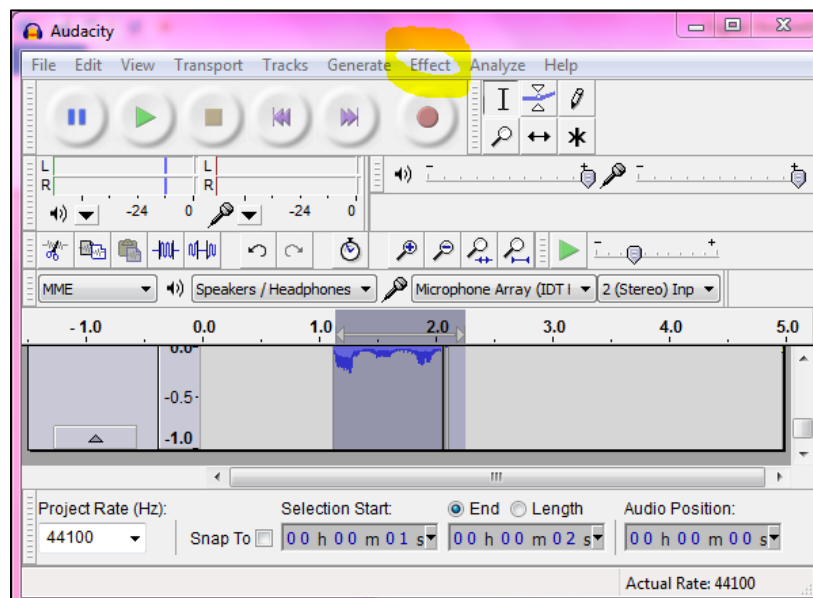


Begin your narration, and when you are finished speaking, click the STOP icon: . You may then choose “file” and save your project to your computer, or you can continue to edit your recording and add effects to it.

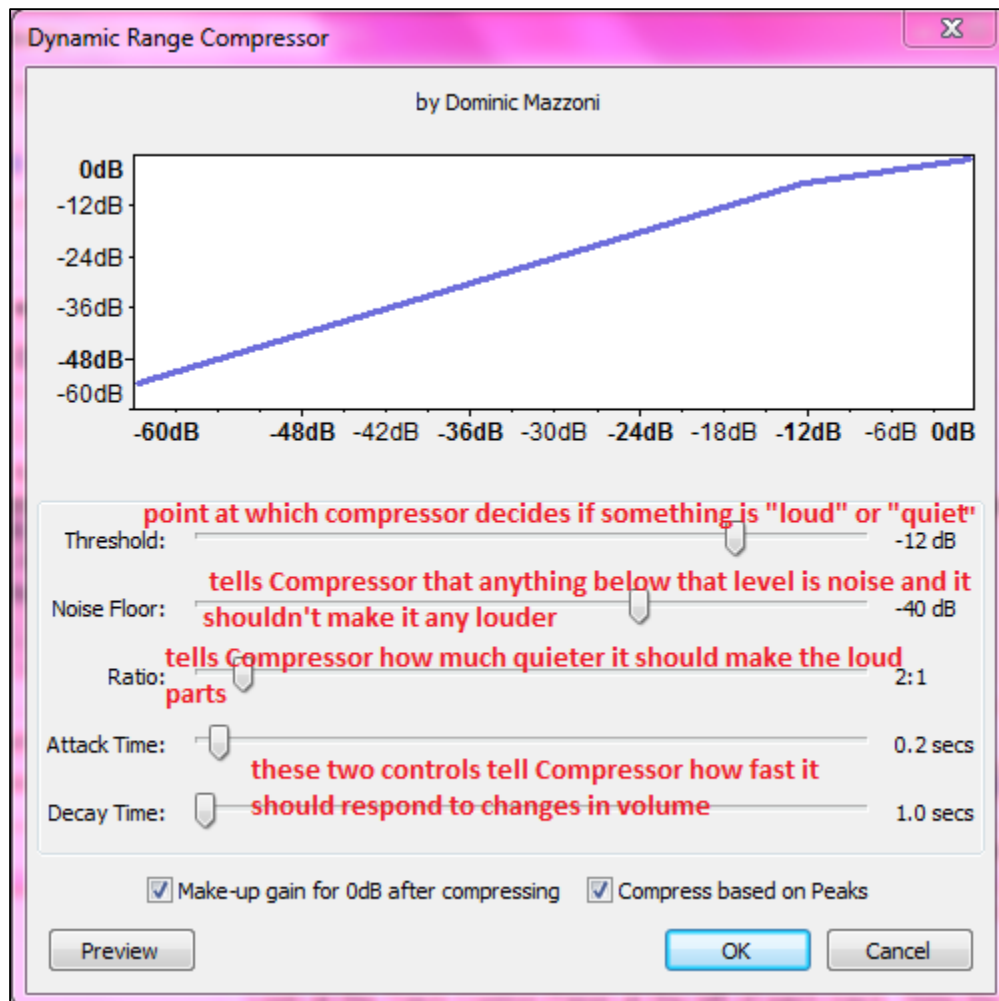
To “trim” the recording, drag the dark gray region to where you want the recording to begin (red arrow below) and end (pink arrow below.) Next, click “C” to hear one second of audio before and after the selection to be sure the edits sound natural. Then, click “trim” (yellow circle below) to get rid of the excess recorded material.



Add “**effects**” to your recording by clicking the “Effect” dropdown (as circled in yellow below.) This is where you can change the pitch of your voice, change the speed, make it echo, and much more!

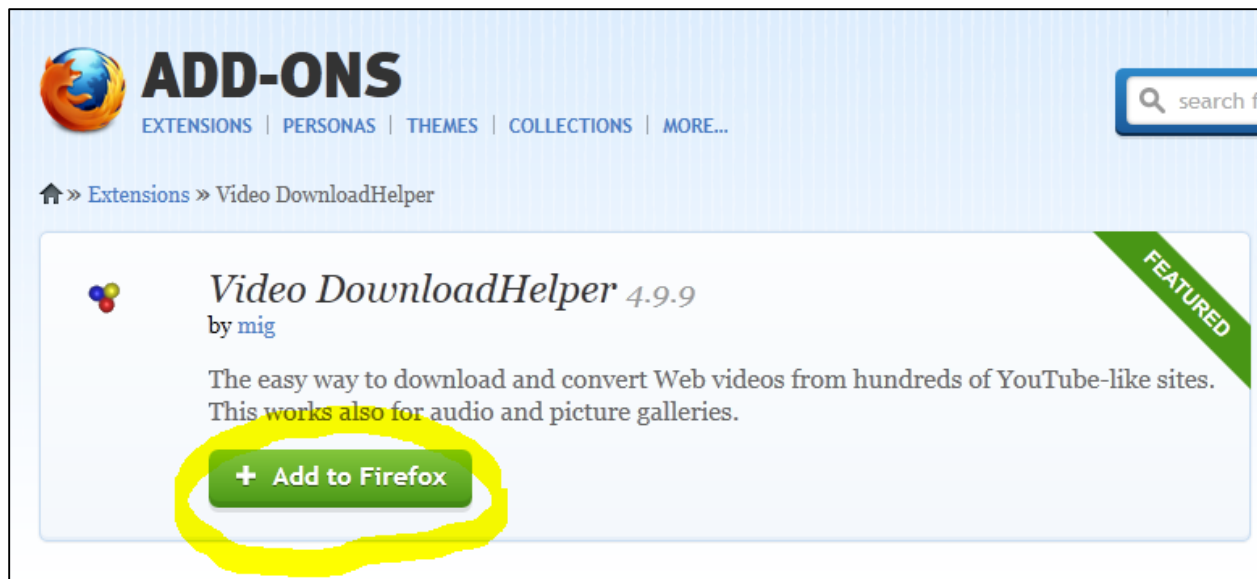


If you choose “compressor” under effects, you can level out the volume of your recording. Be sure to check off “make-up gain for 0 dB after compressing” and “compress based on Peaks,” and click “OK” (as shown below.)



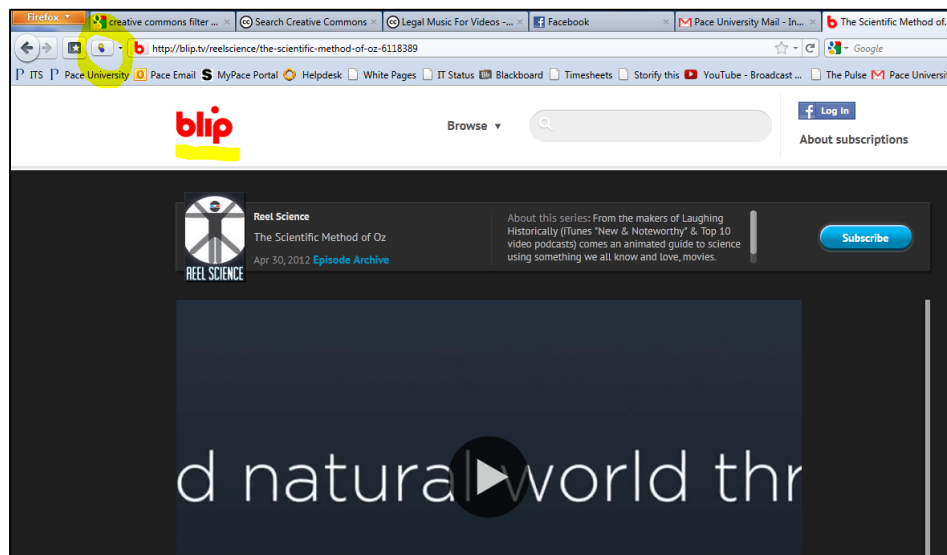
Save External Video and Audio to Your Computer:

An add-on called "Video DownloadHelper" can be used with to save most videos to your computer. This add-on only works with Mozilla Firefox. The link to the download is: <https://addons.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/addon/video-downloadhelper/>. Click "Add to Firefox" to use the add-on.

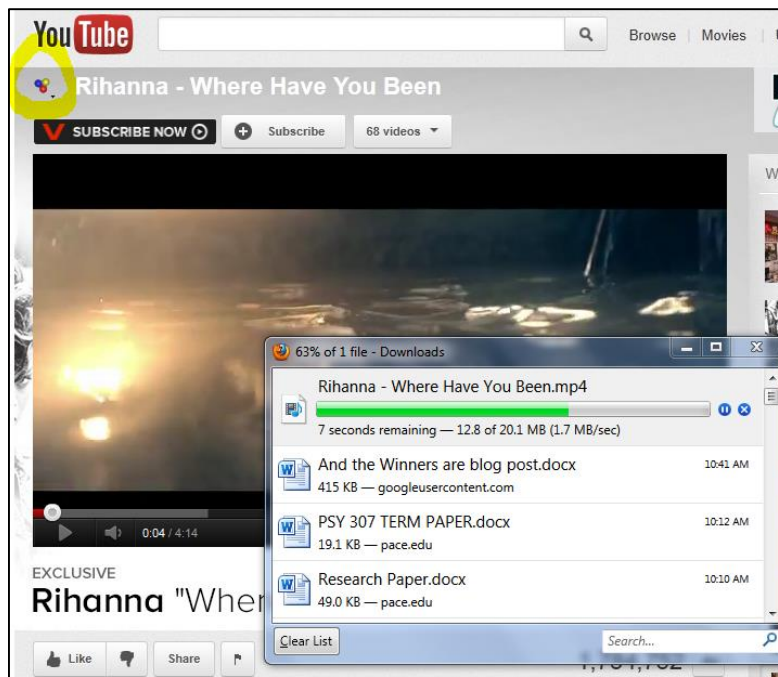


Once the Video DownloadHelper is downloaded, you will have this icon  on your browser. When you come across a video, you can click it to download the video. You must be using Mozilla Firefox to use this icon.

For example, I can download a scientific method video with from <http://blip.tv> by clicking the icons dropdown, and choosing “The_Scientific_Method_of_Oz_Reel_Science_on_Blip.mp4.” The download will automatically begin!



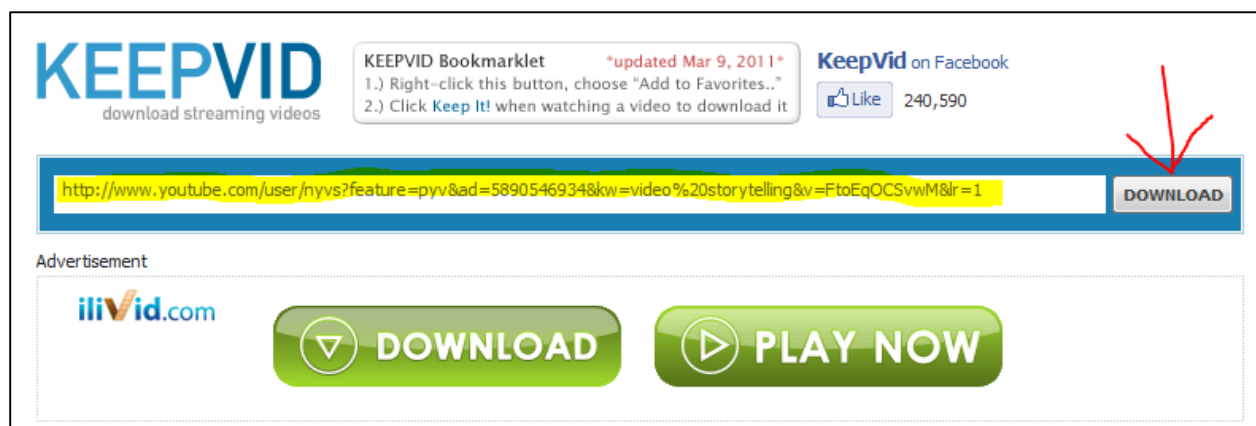
I can do the same thing with YouTube as shown below:



These videos can now be uploaded on digital storytelling tools, like Windows Live Movie Maker.

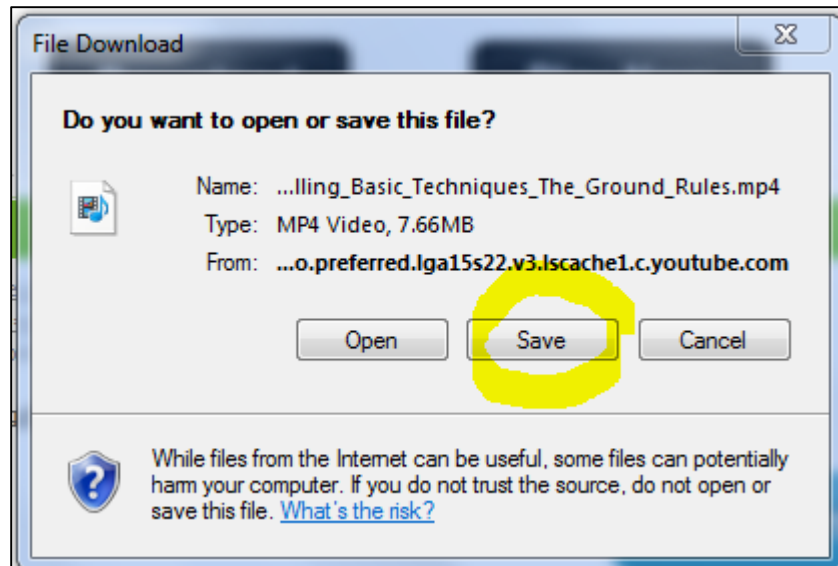
Save YouTube Videos to Your Computer with KEEPVID:

Copy the URL of the YouTube video you would like to include. Then, go to <http://keepvid.com/>. Next, paste the URL into the box, (as shown in yellow below) and click download (red arrow.)



Next, you want to click [>> Download MP4 <<](#) - (Max 480p) and then click “save” (circled in yellow below.) Choose where you would like to save this video.

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My Notes: