

TERMS TO KNOW:

FTP: Basically you are transferring files from one computer to another using a program. Here, we will be transferring files from our own computers to the server where your Web site lives. To do this, I am suggesting you use Fetch for the Mac or Filezilla for PC. There are many other programs you can use and the login information I have provided in other PDF handouts will allow you to access things. We will be using the FTP client to move our soundslide onto the Web server. We will then be generating HTML code so we can paste it into a post. This will make the soundslide show up on our site.

Soundslide: A soundslide is basically just a slideshow with some audio. It's not a real novel concept. It's been around for awhile. The program we are using was just created by a journalist and it's so stinkin easy to create something cool looking that it's crazy not to use it. We will be using a free version for this exercise, but you can pay for a non-demo version. You can read on the soundslides Web site what the difference are.

NAMING: Please don't forget to be careful when you are naming things. I talk about it quite a bit here. The Web is case sensitive and it gets angry with spaces. So, keep things one word, don't have files be named too long of words, and don't have any funny symbols in there either.

#6: Soundslides

Slideshows are nothing new. They've been around for decades. However, audio slideshows are adding a new dimension to stories that photographs are telling and are great additions to Web sites.

While you theoretically could make these slideshows in a program like iMovie or MovieMaker, a program on the internet, Soundslides, makes the process a very easy one.

For this we are going to download the soundslides program (a free demo version), create a soundslide and publish it to the Web.

We will also have to login to our site via an FTP application like Filezilla (for PC) or Fetch (Mac). All are free downloads and you don't need to pay for. if you use some other FTP client you will be able to use it.

Let's get started.

Go to soundslides.org and download the appropriate version of Soundslides.

Create: Soundslide

Your first duty here will be to create a soundslide. You could have downloaded the soundslide.zip file referenced in the area above. Once you have, you have all you need. You have a .mp3 file and photos. [Here is a nice handout describing the steps in creating a soundslide.](#) There is a lot of info here, including gathering photos and audio, but it also walks you through the steps of creating a soundslide. I have also made a soundslidessteps.pdf handout detailing part of it. That was emailed to you today.

**It is impreative when creating a slideshow for Wordpress to create a CUSTOM size. I would choose 300x200 for this exercise.*

When you are done, hit export. Your soundslide will end up appearing in the same folder you initially saved the project. It will be in a folder called "publish to web."



Next, you need an FTP client. If you don't have one and are on a Mac, download [Fetch](#). If you are on a PC, download [Filezilla](#).

Next, go to manfull.jeadigitalmedia.org and go to the "Documents to Use" page in the top menu. Download the .ZIP file labeled soundslides.zip. In it you will find photos and audio to use. You can always make a soundslide with your own photos and audio. I just figured this was easiest for all in our short time.

Ready: Use FTP to Post

Now that you have created your Soundslide we need to post it to the server via an FTP client. Then we need to generate code for it. Finally, we need to place it.

Setp one: Login to your FTP.

Soundslides actually has a GREAT guide on how to post soundslides. It can be found at: <http://tinyurl.com/nvg9g7>

Once you get it on your FTP site, go ahead and post it to your page. I've also included instructions for that on the SoundslidesFTP handout.