## Screencastify Usage Instructions

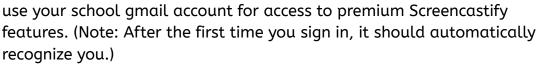
**Screencastify** is a quick and easy method for video (and audio) capture & editing. Students have access to the paid version that allows students to record over the free version 5-minute limits. The app allows users to pause as needed during recordings and has an extension for the Google Chrome browser.

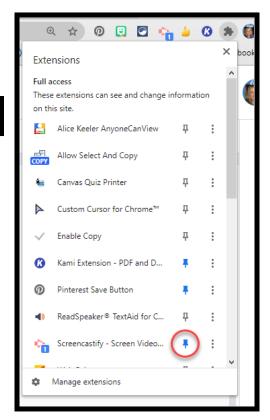
- Capture your tab, whole screen, or webcam only
- Embed your webcam anywhere in your recording
- Narrate with your microphone
- Record offline (no internet required!)

To fully utilize Screencastify, please follow these directions to get it set up. (Note: These directions were shared in face to face instruction in many circumstances. However, this direct instruction is not necessary if you follow these simple instructions.)

### Set-up:

- 1. In your Google Chrome browser, go to the puzzle icon for Chrome extensions. It's located in the top right of your screen in the Chrome Toolbar. The puzzle piece houses all of your extensions.
- 2. Find the Screencastify extension. (It looks like a pink arrow with the image of a white video camera in it.) BEFORE clicking on the Screencastify extension, please "pin" it to your toolbar. You are doing this for quick and easy access in the future.
- 3. Now go ahead and click on Screencastify directly to the left of the pin or click on the Screencastify icon in your toolbar. The first time you do this, it will ask you to log in using your Google account. Please

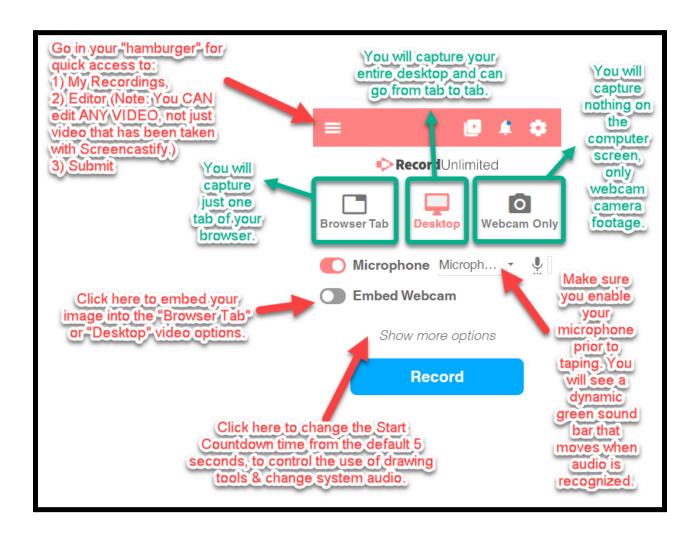




4. When you first get into Screencastify you will come to a blank white screen with a pink bar that says "My Recordings." It won't have anything yet since you are using Screencastify for the first time. When you get this screen, don't worry, just click on the Screencastify icon that you just pinned in your toolbar.

## Video Recording:

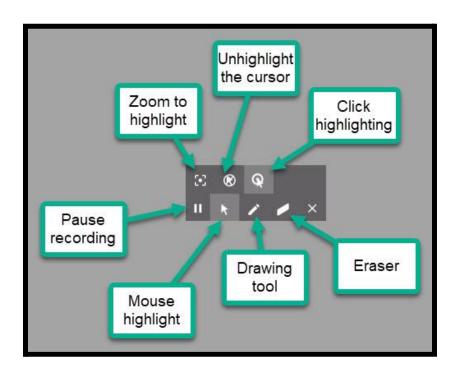
- 1. A small pop-up will appear with the image I captured below.
  - a. For students who are demonstrating a skill or process, they will want to use "Webcam Only.
  - b. Desktop mode is good for bee bopping between multiple sources.
    Once all video capture & device preferences have been established, click the blue record button.



# (Note: There are two video editing models within Screencastify.):

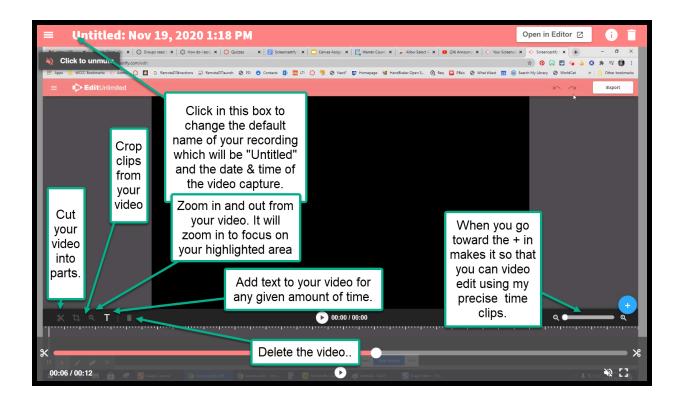
- Editing footage taken with Screencastify
- Editing method is using imported video/ MP4 from another source.

- 2. Feel free to pause to start & stop throughout your video. When you are finished videoing. Click the "Stop" icon. It will go directly into edit mode and will look like this.
- 3. Also to highlight concepts you might want to consider using the highlight tools below.



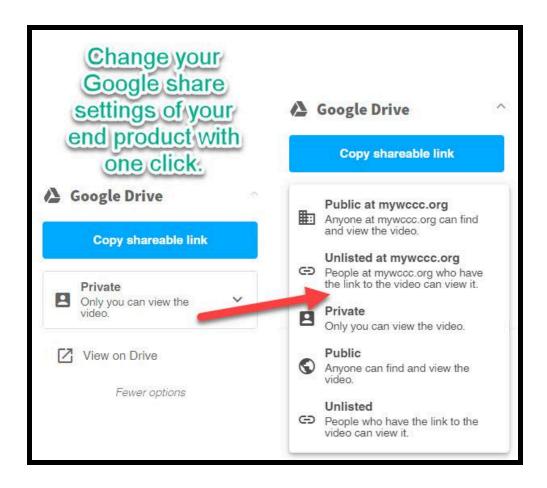
## Video Editing:

1. In all practicality, most videos will probably not be edited, but here are the basic and easy to use features that Screencastify offers.

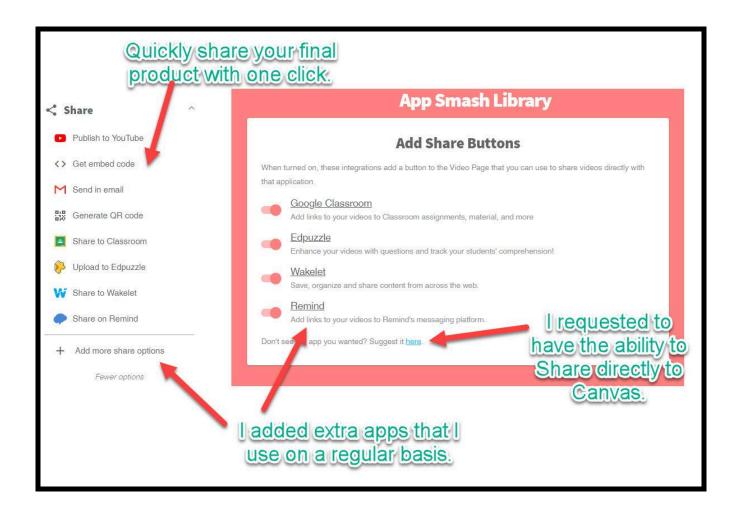


## Video & Audio Sharing:

- 1. The ease of sharing final products is one of the big reasons why students & staff are better off using Screencastify instead of their phones.
- 2. There is simplified Google Drive sharing. By clicking on the blue "Copy Shareable Link" below, students can easily share the URL link in Canvas. (Teachers can also quickly & easily add Google Classroom as a sharing option. See #7.)



- 4. Please make sure that you specifically title each video. You will be happy in the long run when you don't have a ton of videos in your drive called "Untitled" with only a date and time.
- 5. I also would not recommend having videos go longer than 30 minutes. When you want your videos to be longer than 30 minutes, stop the first video and then begin another. Just make sure that you make the video name reflect that it is a part of another video.
- 6. Keep in mind that you can capture video offline.
- 7. There is automatic sharing to a multitude of other tools with only a click. Users can customize what apps are added to their Screencastify account.



#### Other Resources:

- Five Minute Intro Video
- A Beginner's Guide to Screencastify