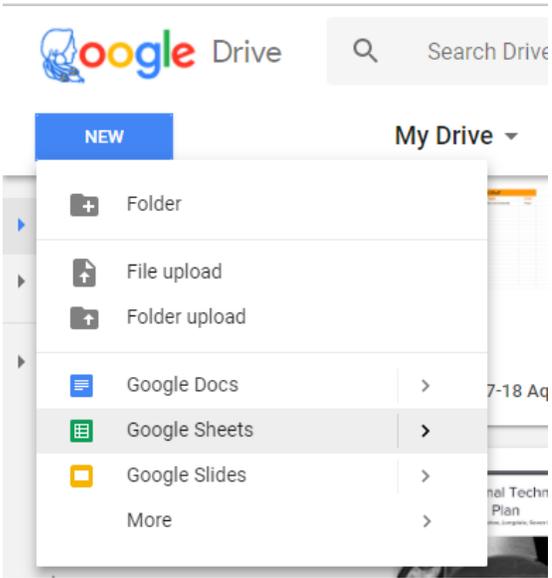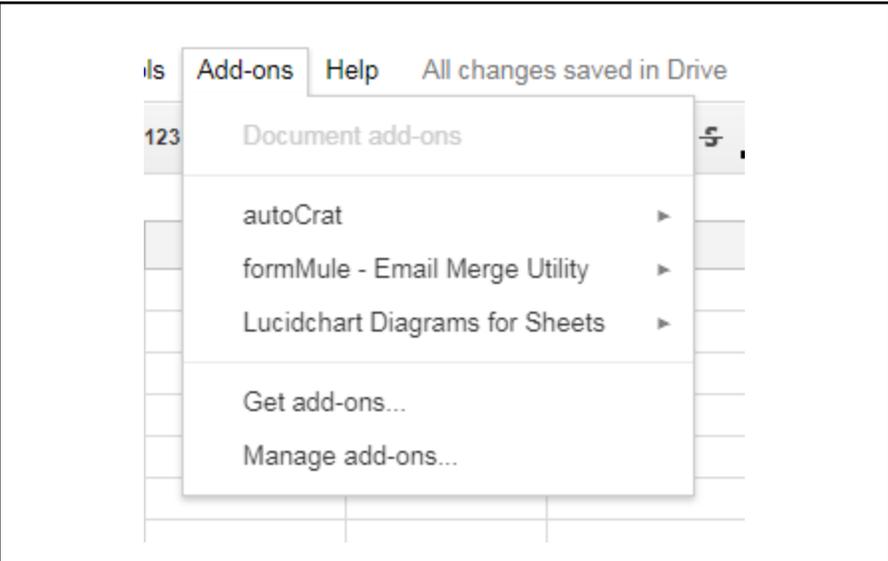# How to Add a Slideshow to your Blog

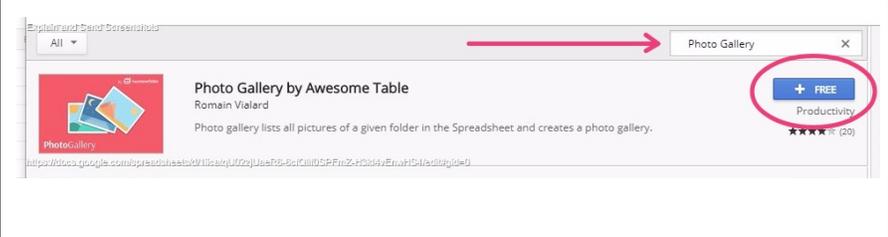*This will work best if you already have Google Photo albums set up.

Step	Direction	Picture
1	Access your Google Drive. Click on the button in the top corner that says "New." Open a new Google Sheets document.	
2	Give your new spreadsheet a name. This is where you'll organize all of your photos, but you can make different slideshows from this document. You may also name the first sheet in the document. If you're just making one slideshow, you can rename it Class Photos as well. But, if you want to make multiple slideshows, you might give it a more descriptive name, such as "First Day of School." To rename the Sheet, click on the arrow, choose Rename, and type in the new name of your Sheet. You can also give it a color here if you'd like, by selecting Change color.	
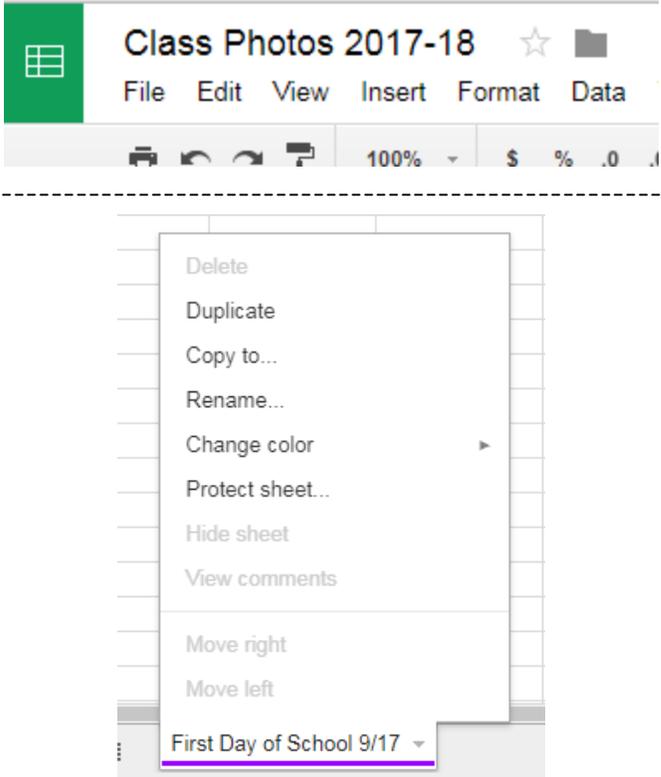
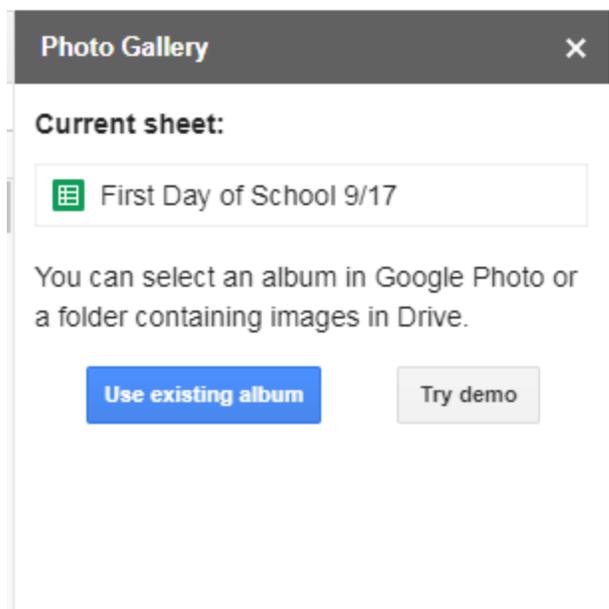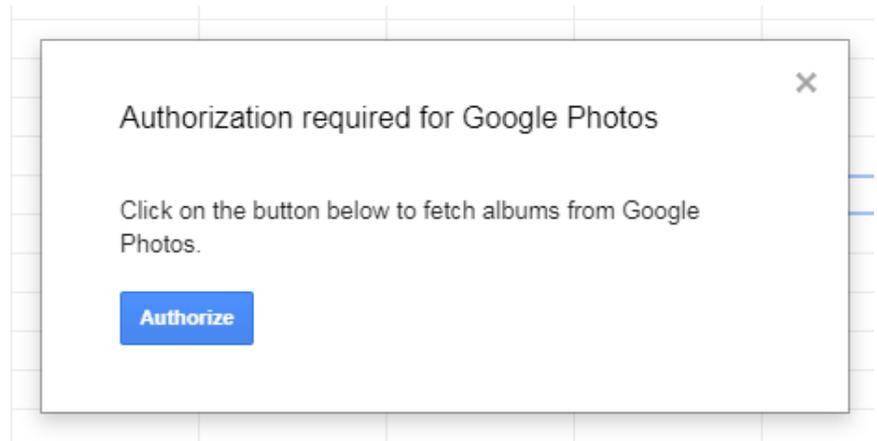| 3	Under the Add-ons menu, choose, "Get add-ons…"	
4	Into the search bar, type "Photo Gallery" and press enter. When you see the Add-on for "Photo Gallery by Awesome Table," click on the blue plus sign that says +Free to download.	
5	A new window may open up to confirm your login. Click on your username/email.	
6	The add-on will ask for permission to access your files. Scroll down and click Allow.	
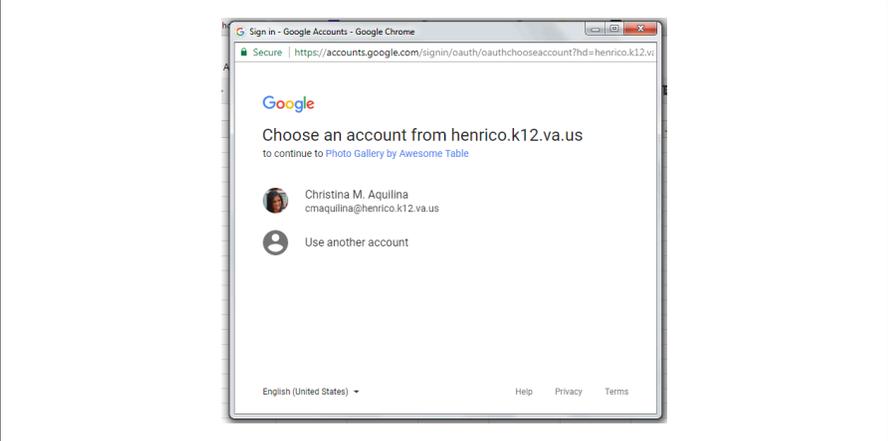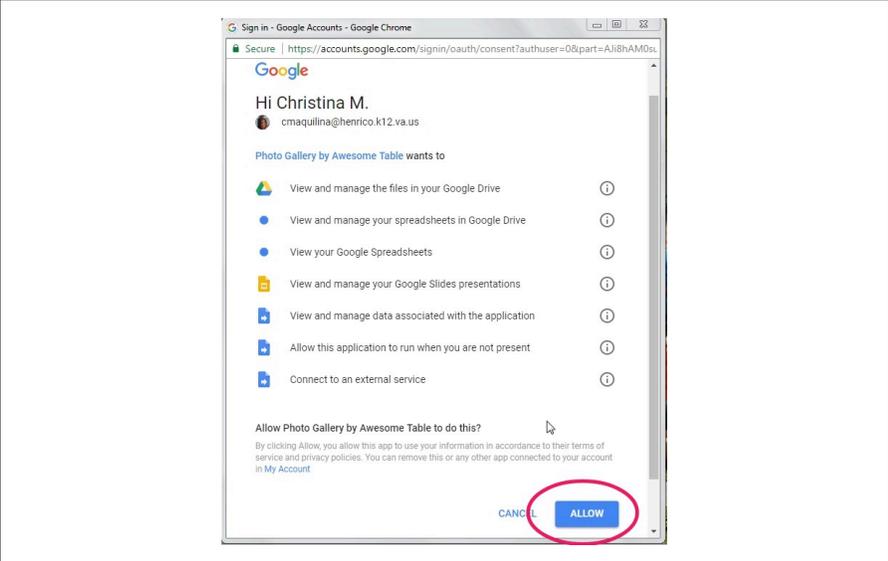
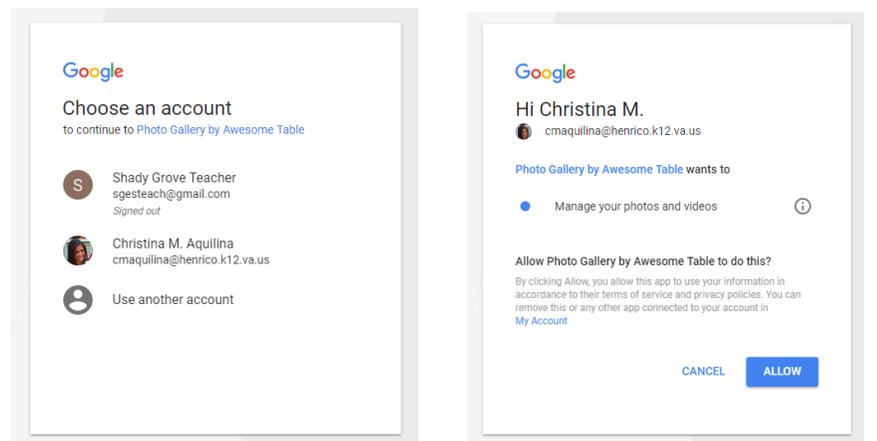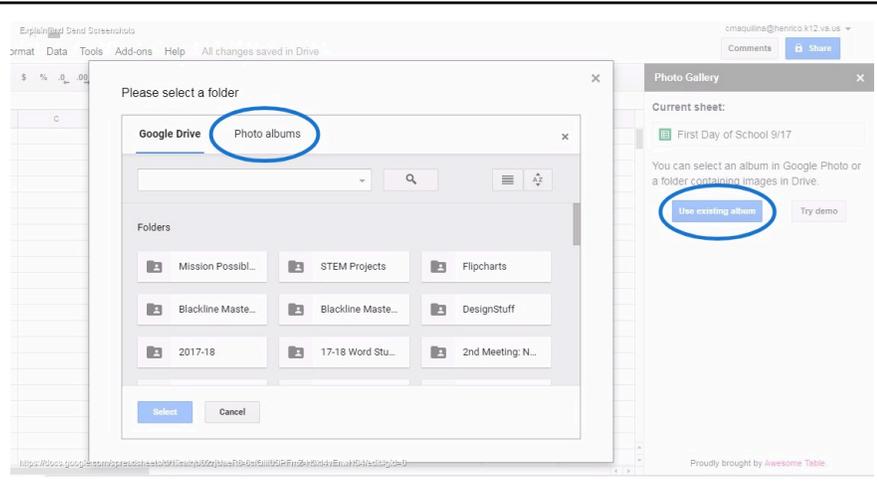| 7	A new window will appear to the side of your screen. Click on the button that says "Use existing album."	
8	Give Google permission to access your photos by clicking Authorize.	
9	Confirm the account from which you want to pull your photos. Allow Photo Gallery to access your photos.	
10	When you see the confirmation page, you can close and return to your Sheet.	

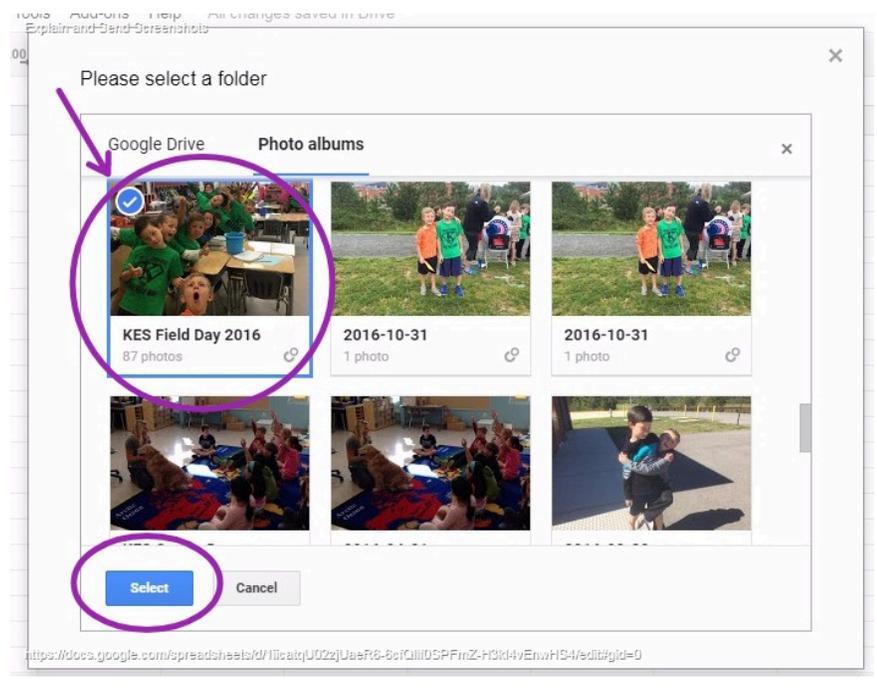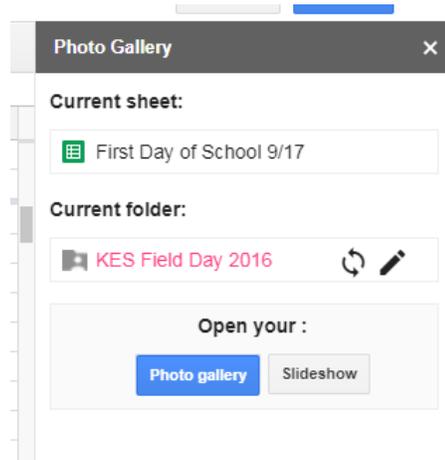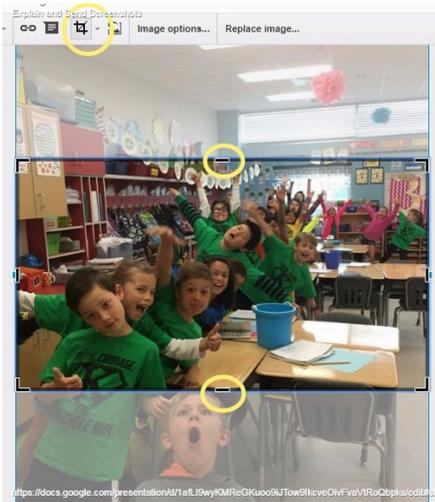| 11	Click "Use existing album" once more, and this time a window with your albums will show up. Click Photo Albums at the top.	
12	Scroll to find the account you want to use. Click on the check mark in the top left corner to select the album. The check will turn blue when the album is selected. Then, click the blue select button at the bottom of the screen.	
13	Google will work to add all of the photos to the sheet. This will take longer/shorter depending on how many photos are in your album.	
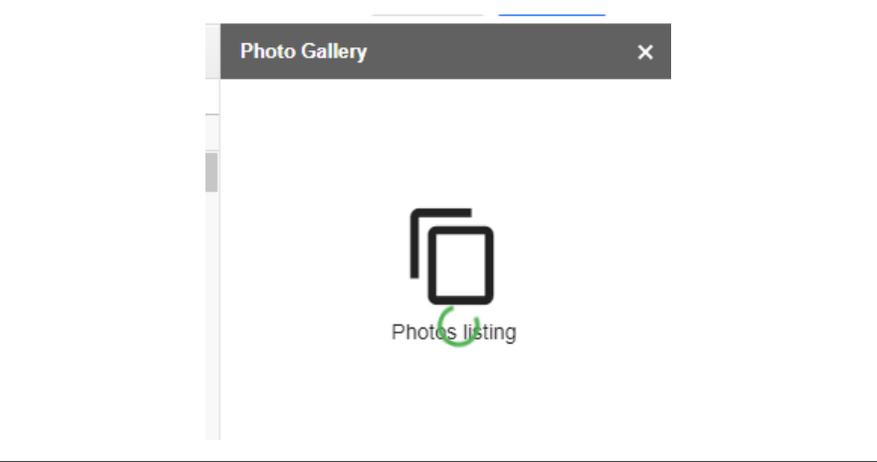
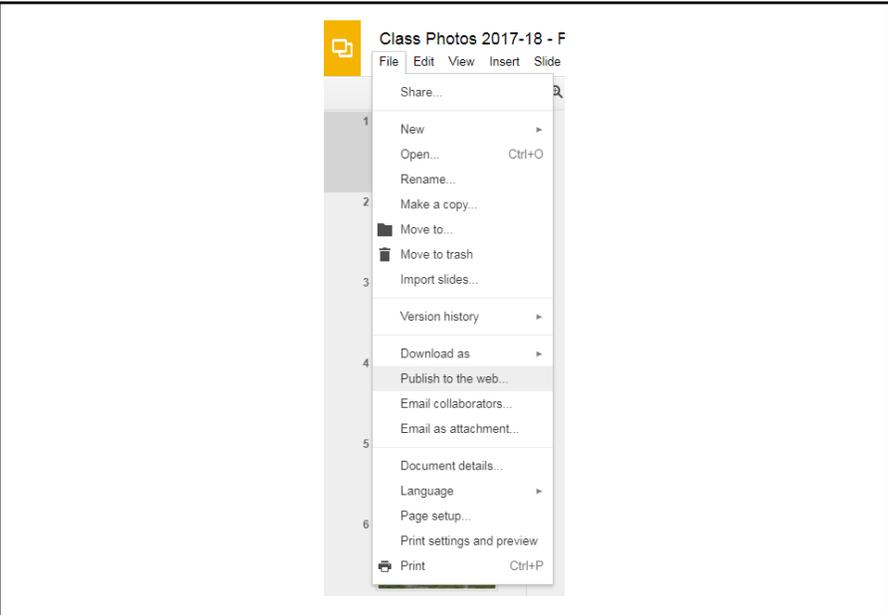| 14	When your list has been generated, click on the gray button to open the slideshow.	
15	Google will auto crop your photos to fit the slideshow. You can fix photos here if you'd like them to appear differently. Use the crop button to make the whole image visible, and move it as you'd like.	
16	Crop your photos to your liking. You are welcome to leave them exactly how they are also!	

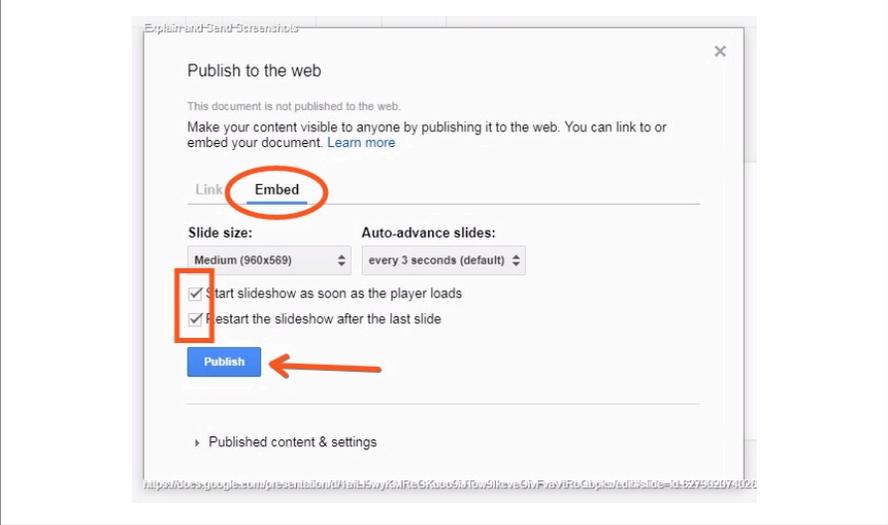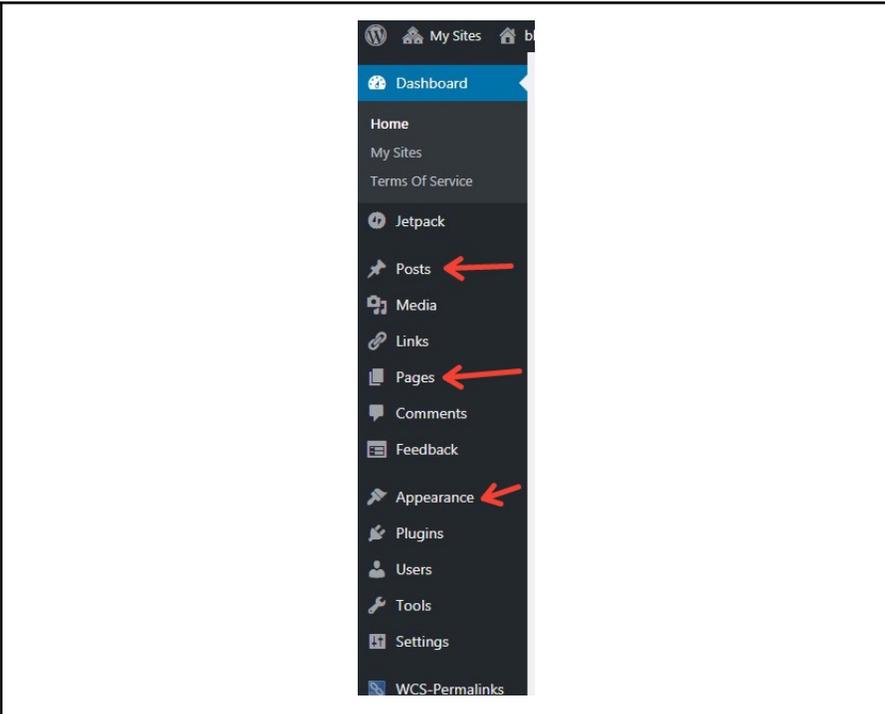| 17	When your slideshow is how you'd like it to appear on your blog, click "File" then "Publish to the web."	
18	From here, choose "Embed," and check both of the options for the slideshow to start immediately and loop. *The best size for the slideshow on most blogs is Medium, but you can change this when you embed it into your blog, so don't worry about it here. Choose the blue Publish button. Click OK again, when Google asks if you are sure you want to publish.	
19	Use CTRL + C on your keyboard or right click, then click Copy to copy the code.	
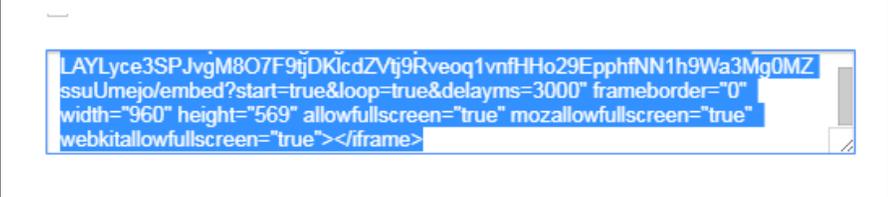
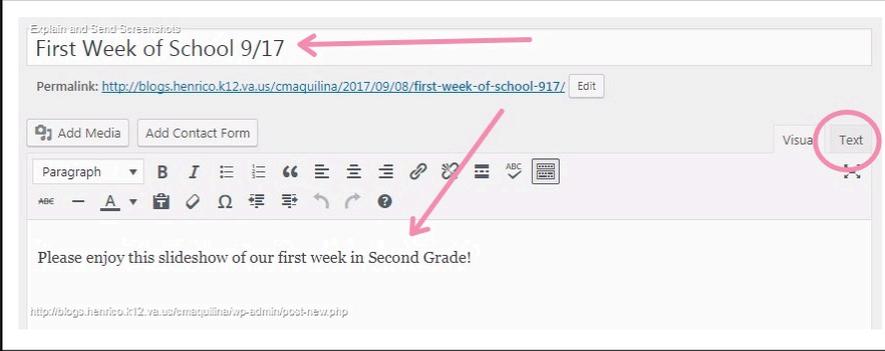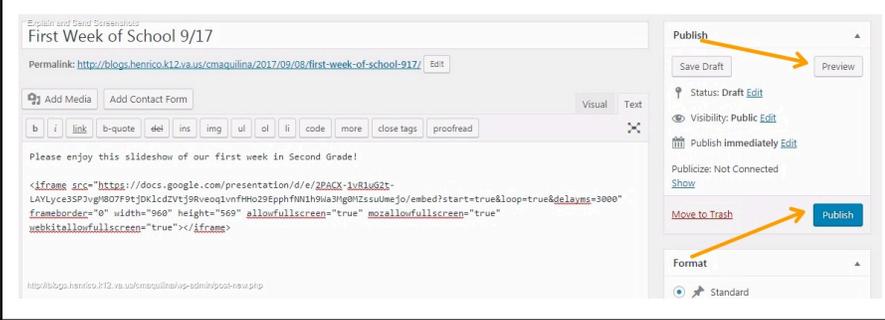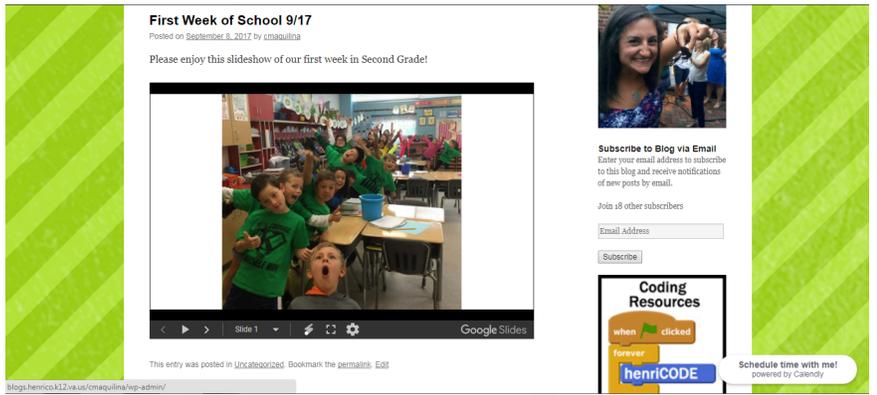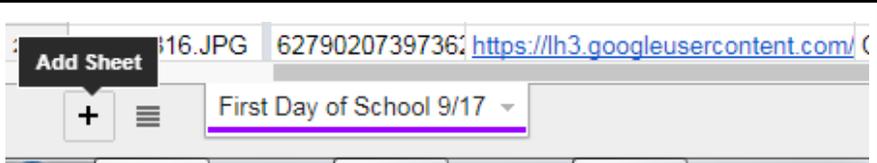|		
20	Open a new tab and login to your blog. From your Dashboard, you can decide where you'd like your slideshow to appear: a post, page, or on the side bar.	
21	To embed to a page or post, name the page/post first. You can type whatever introduction text you'd like in the body of the page/post. Then, click on the tab that says "Text."	
22	Paste your embed code here. You can preview what the page/post will look like by clicking "Preview" or publish it straight to the web by clicking "Publish."	
23	If your slideshow is too big, you can change the embed code. A good size for pages/posts is 600 x 400.	

24	Continue to press Preview and adjust the slideshow to your liking!	
25	When you need to add another slideshow, navigate back to your original sheet. Use the plus sign near the bottom left to add another sheet.	
26	Pick up at step 11 to create a new slideshow!	

Note: You will not need to reauthorize the add-on each time. Once you give Google permission to access your photos and use the add-on, you will automatically be able to create slideshows!