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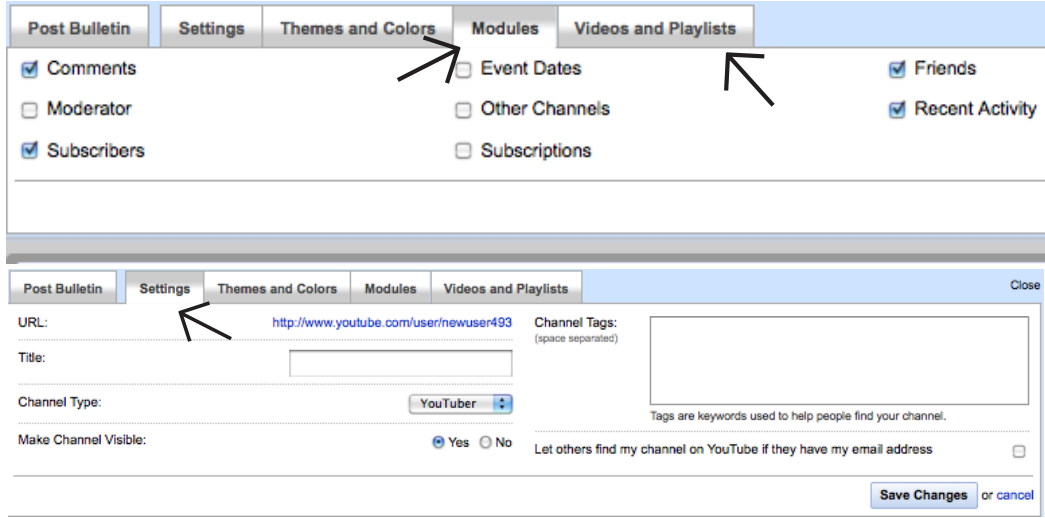
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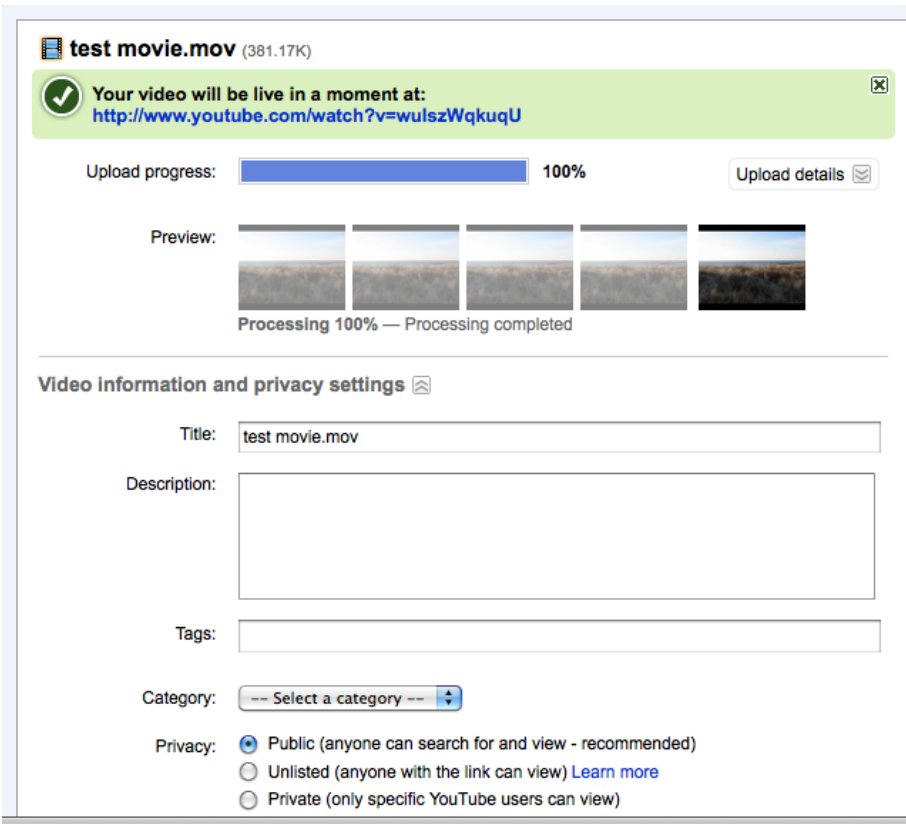
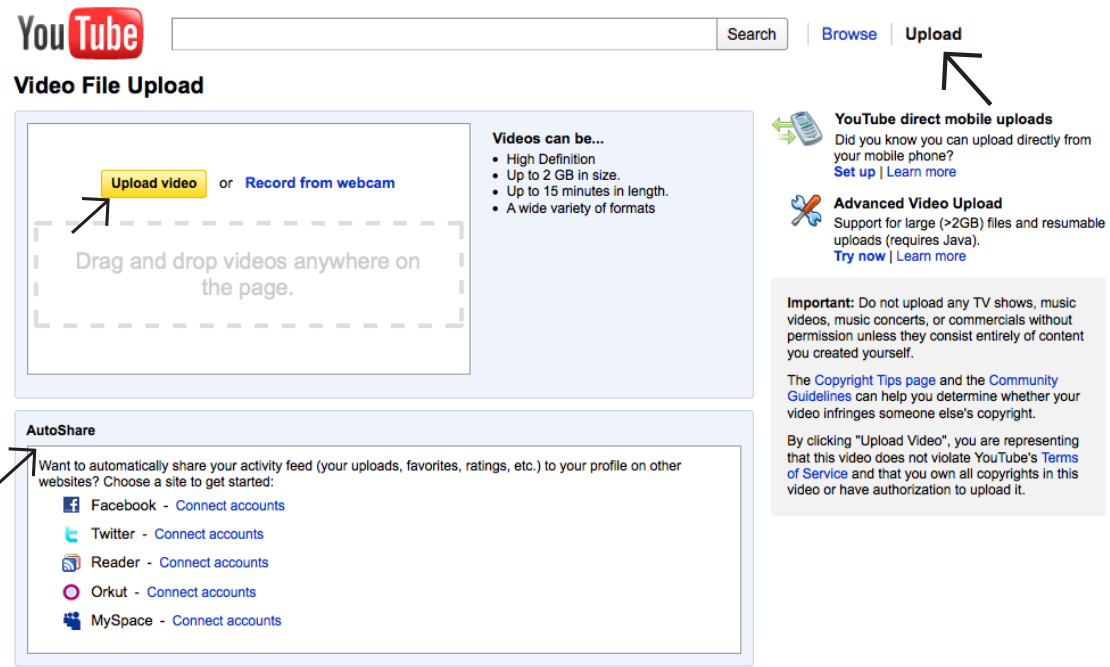
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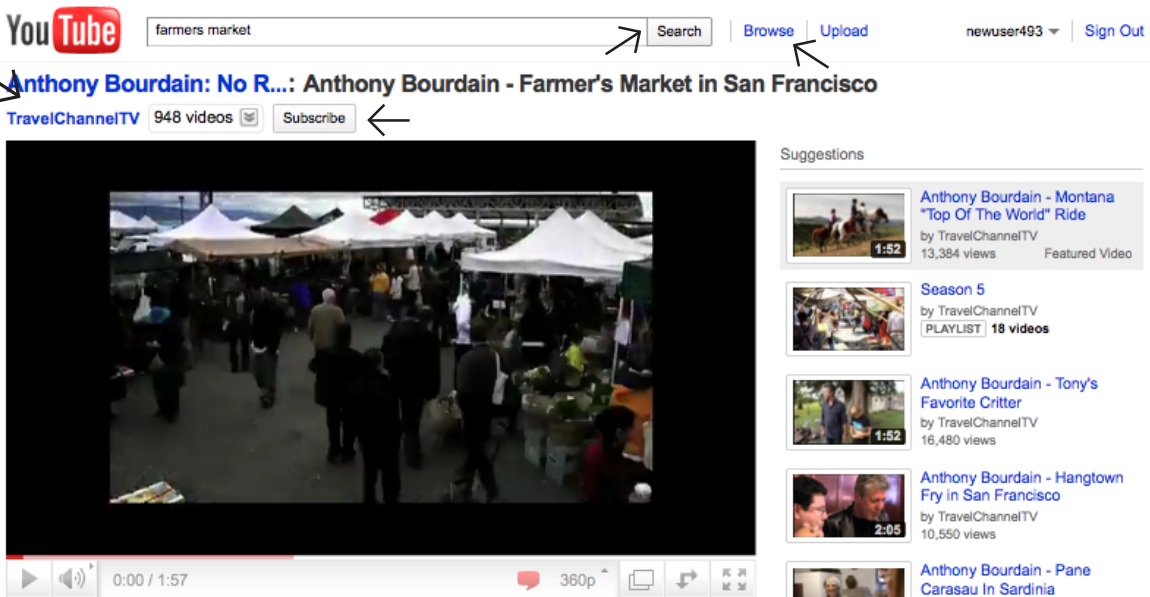
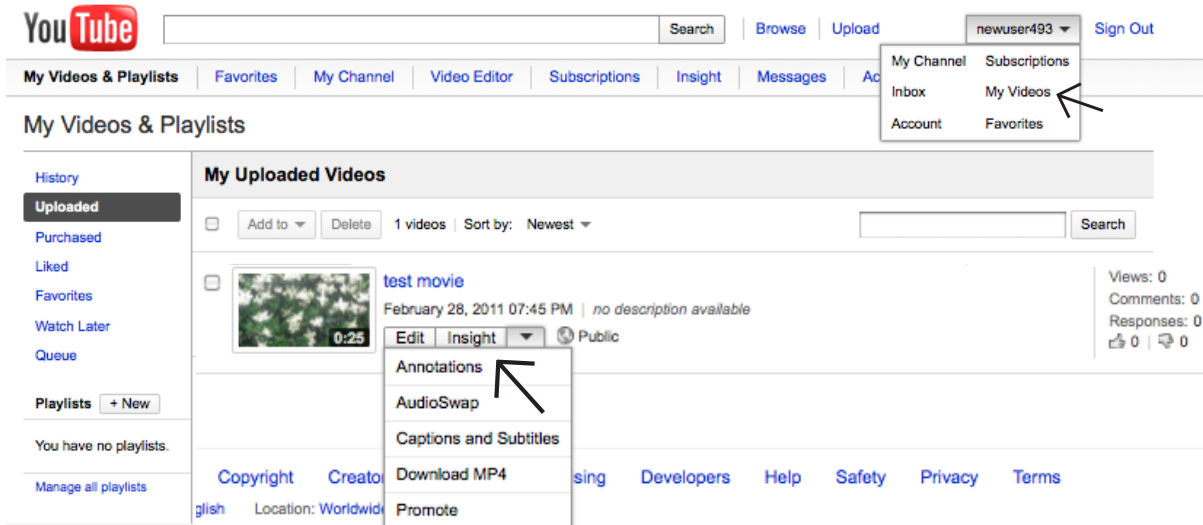
**Step 5:** Once you have your video ready to be uploaded, you can click the “upload” button. Here, you can either upload a video, record, or drag a video file from your computer onto this page. Make sure to connect your YouTube to your Facebook and Twitter accounts to increase traffic to your channel.



**Step 6:** While your video is uploading, scroll down and edit the title and description of the video, pick a category for the video, and tag the video. Tags to individual movies are different than tags to your channel, and help others locate the specific video. If you only want specific people to see the video, you can change your privacy settings, as well.

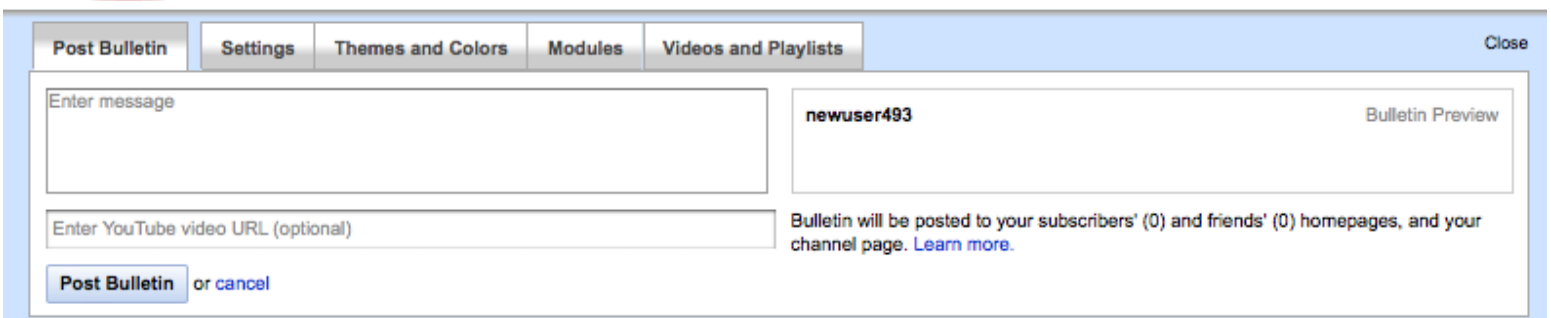
When it has finished uploading, save changes to the settings, and click on the link provided to watch the video.

**Step 7:** Click the “My Videos” button to edit your videos, and to check statistics on its viewership. You can also add notes throughout your videos with Annotations, and add extra audio. Explore the other advanced options if you wish.



**Step 8:** Start finding other channels similar to yours, by browsing, searching key phrases, and finding friends' accounts.

To subscribe to a channel, you can click on the “subscribe” button on the video, or explore the channel more by clicking on their page.



**Step 8:** Post bulletins for your subscribers to see. You can suggest a good video, talk about a project you've been working on, or tell them about your newest posted video. This is a great way to engage others on YouTube, and to maximize the publicity of your movies.

Take some time to explore YouTube to see what else is offered, and to find other channels similar to your own.