

Instructions for Creating a Google Map Story

Starting a New Map

1. Go to www.google.com/mymaps
2. Click “Create a New Map”
3. Sign into your google account, or create a google account
4. Click on “Untitled Map” to give your map a title

Adding Spots to the Map

1. Use the search box to find places that are significant to you
2. Once you find one you’d like to use, click on the green marker and then click “add to map”
3. Click on the pencil icon to edit your description
 - a. You will insert your text in the description box, and if you’d like to add a photo or video, you can click on the camera (in addition to your own photos and videos, you can insert a YouTube video, or an image from google search)
 - b. If you’d like to edit the **color** or **shape** of your marker, click on the paint bucket icon in the description box.
 - c. You can also edit how the labels for your markers appear. Click on individual styles; set labels. Choosing Name will show the name you’ve given each marker. Choosing “Description” will display the beginning of your description.
 - d. Zoom in and out to find places that may not show up from a google search; you can add your own marker, anywhere, by clicking the “add marker” icon directly below the search box

You do not have to worry about the layer feature of my maps.

Sharing Your Map

1. When you are ready, click “Share” in the legend box.
2. Choose the sharing settings that work best for your project.