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Create & Use Your Own Teaching Website

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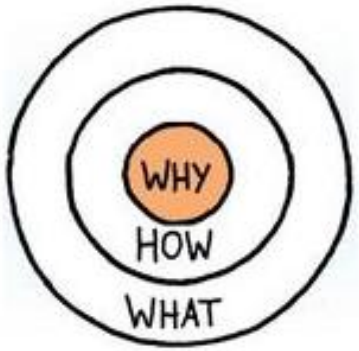
Today's Presentation

- Rationale behind using a Weebly website
- Guided tour of my current website

Self Access

- The PowerPoint presentation has detailed steps for how to build your own Weebly website!



Here are some different ways to communicate with your students and deliver your classes

But before we start...

Go to www.kahoot.it

7 advantages of creating your own open class website

1. No apps to download for students
2. No passwords to remember
3. Opens on any device connected to the Internet
4. You have full control over page organisation and navigation
5. Easy to make visually striking & appealing
6. Easy to share with others
7. Easy to collect assignments & projects

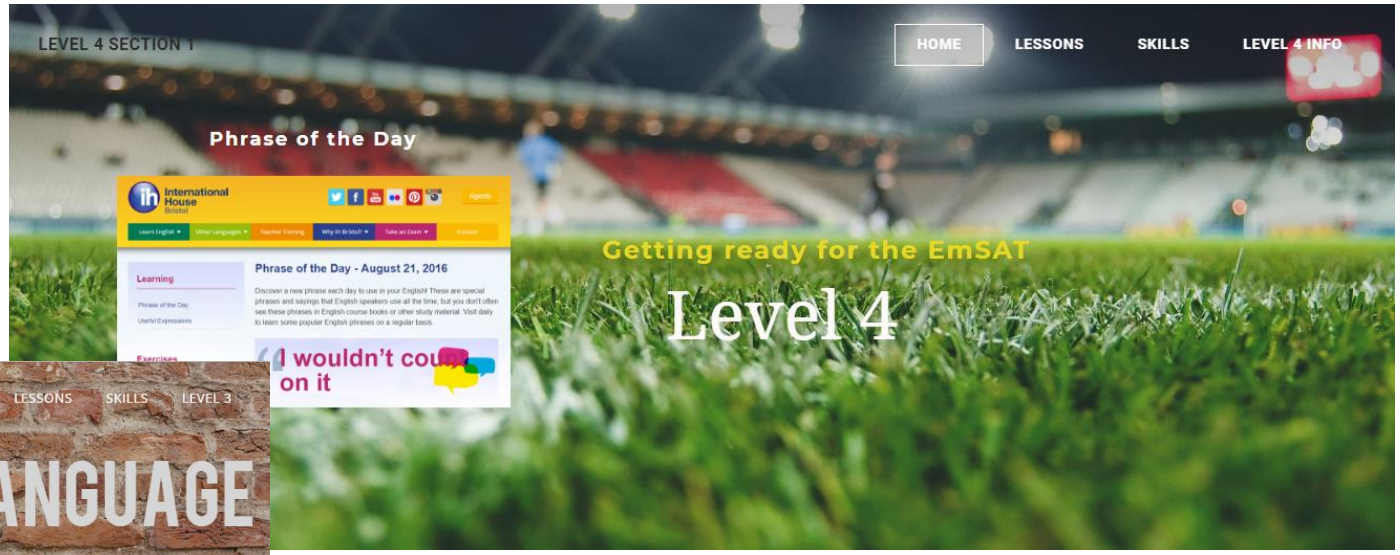
3 disadvantages of using an open class website

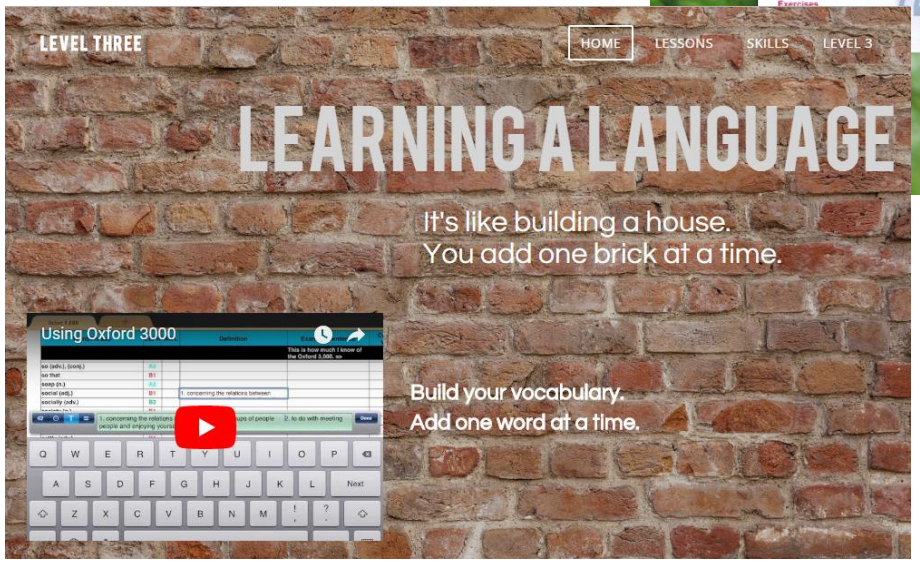
1. No tracking
   - Except for number of views!
2. No built-in annotation tool
3. No shared space for collaboration
   - Except forums and blogs!

Using a Teaching Website

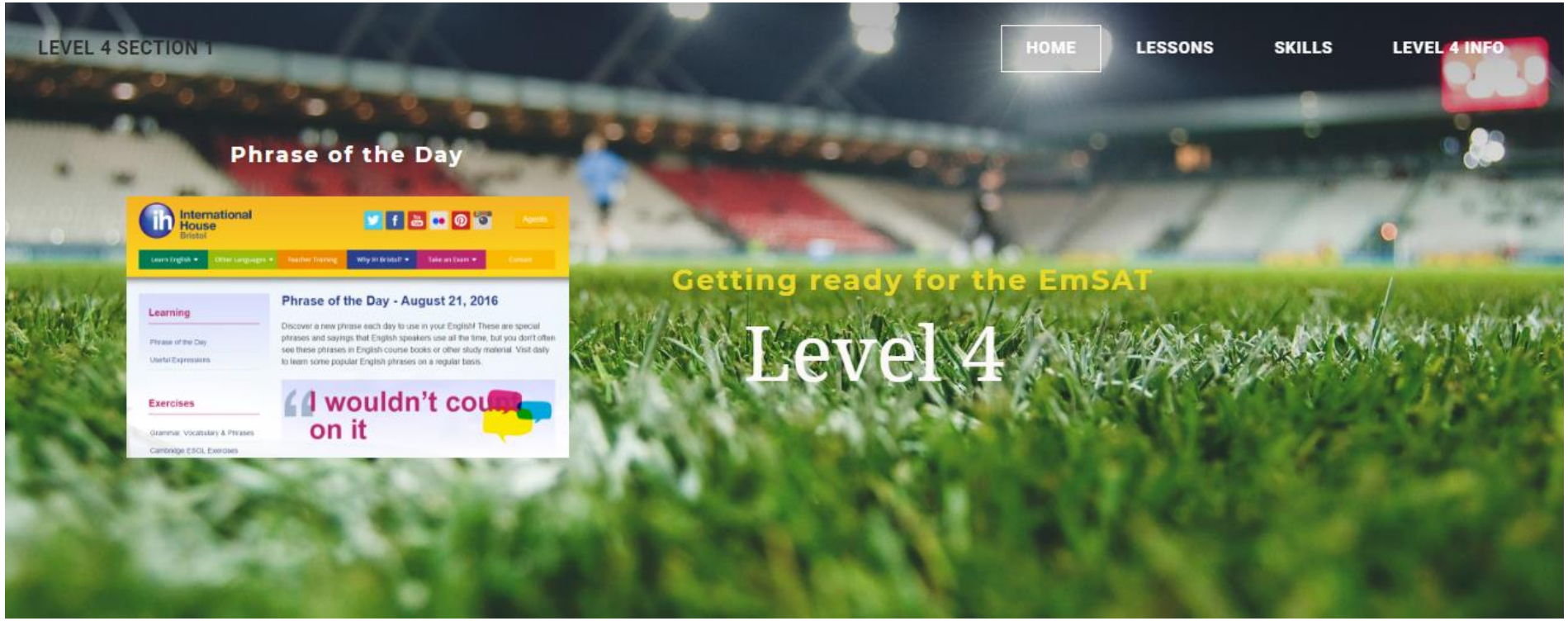
Check these ones out!

- http://level-three.weebly.com/
- http://levelfour.weebly.com/





Let me give you a guided tour!



Questions?

Self Access

- Build your own Weebly website!

Build Your Own Teaching Website

1. Sign Up & Choose a Theme
2. Edit and Add Text
3. Add Images
4. Expand and Organise Your Page Structure
5. Build Your Own Template Page and Duplicate It
6. Add Files and Links
7. YouTube Videos and Photo Galleries
8. Layout Issues
9. Collecting Assignments & Projects
10. Set Up Websites for your Students!

Sign Up and Choose a Theme

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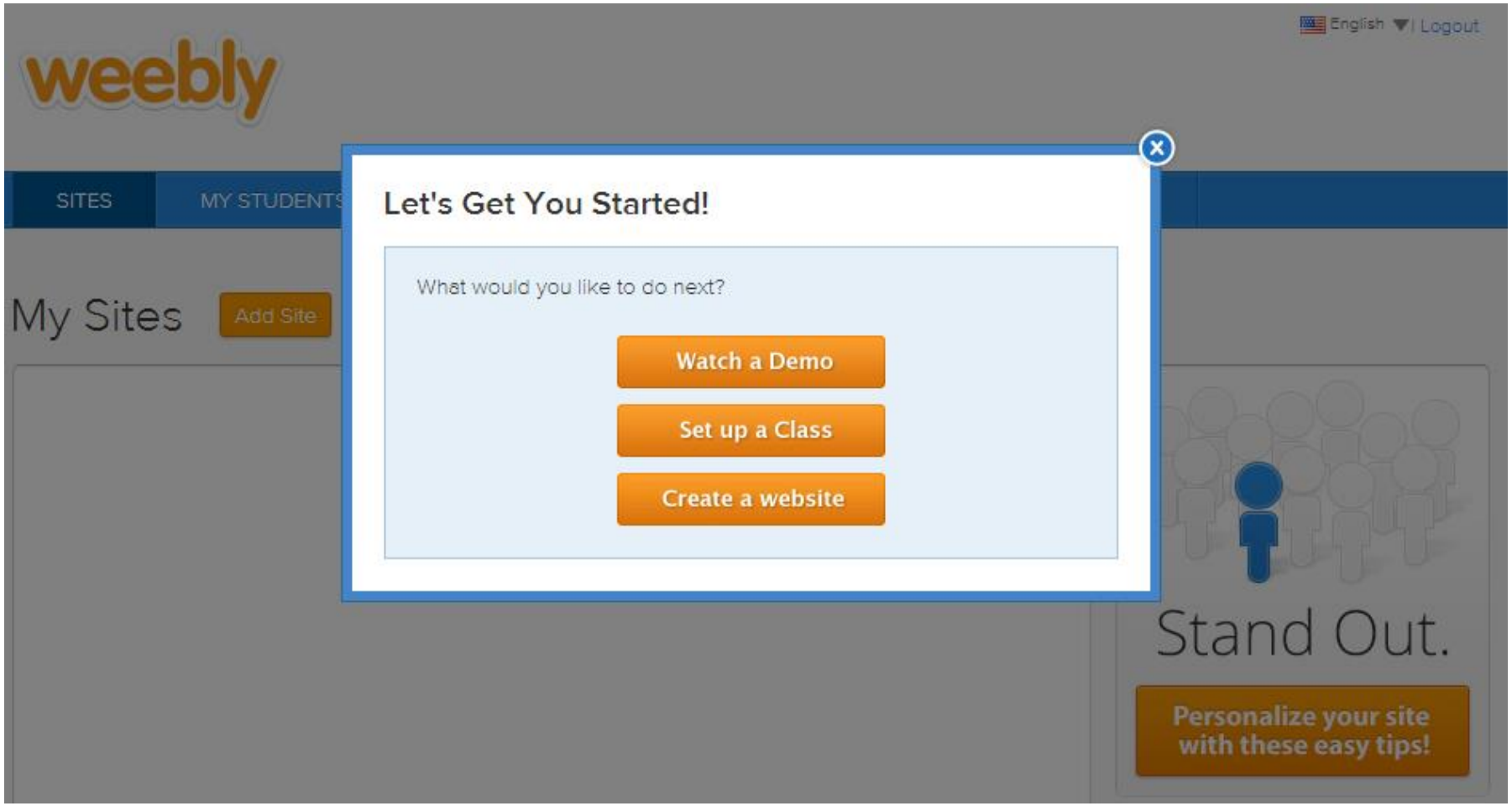
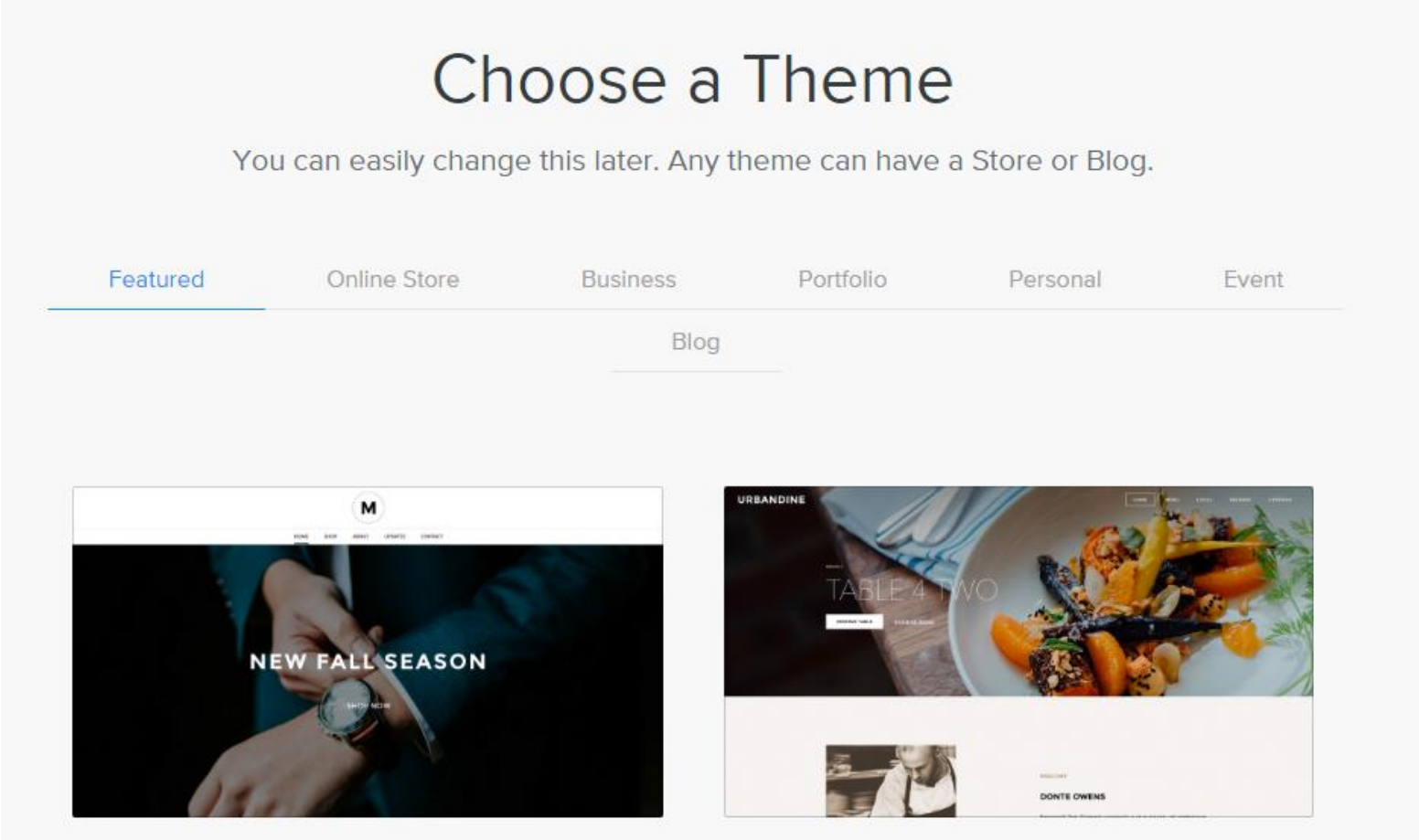
Sign Up @ https://education.weebly.com

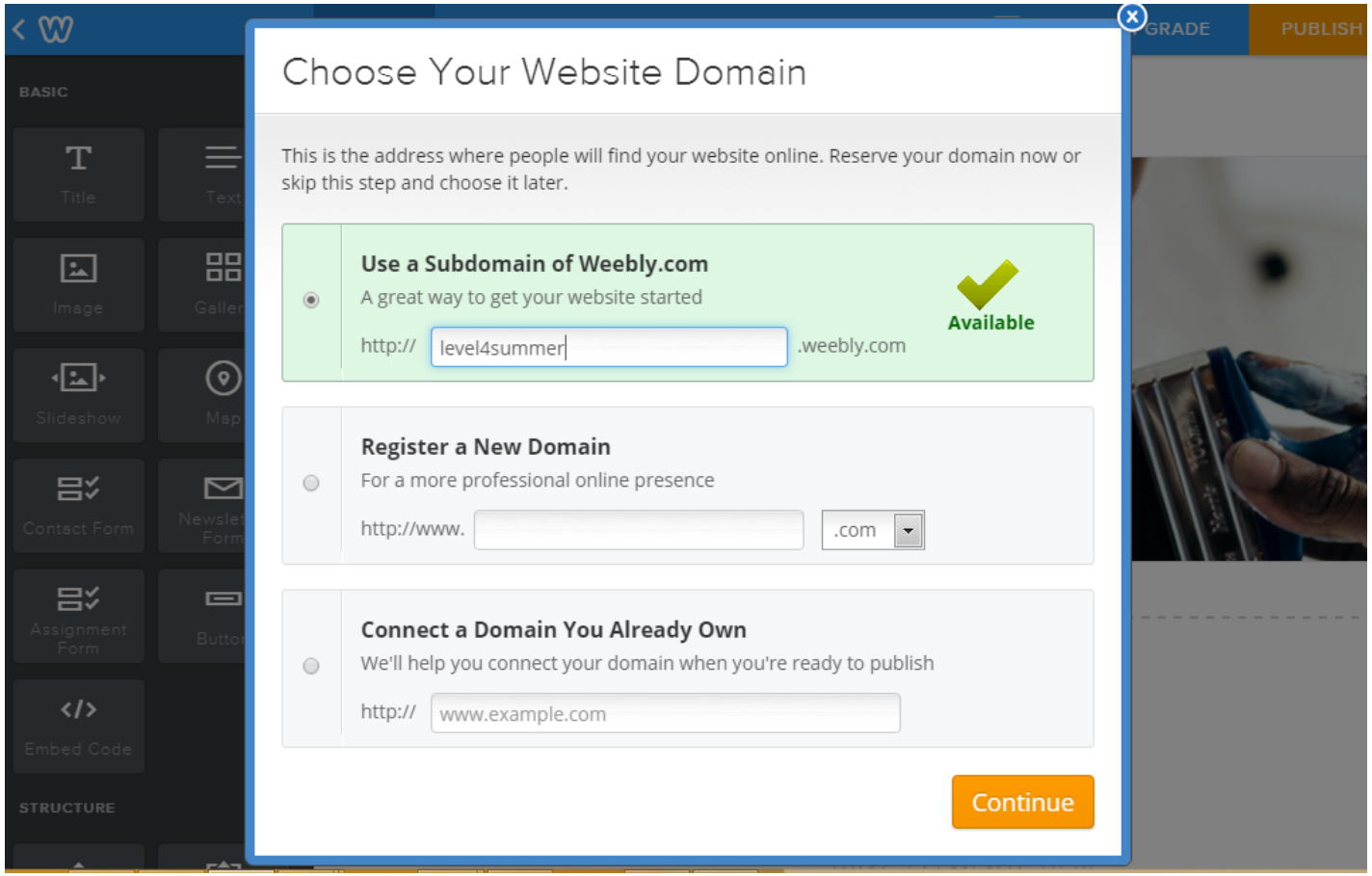
First, select **Create a website**



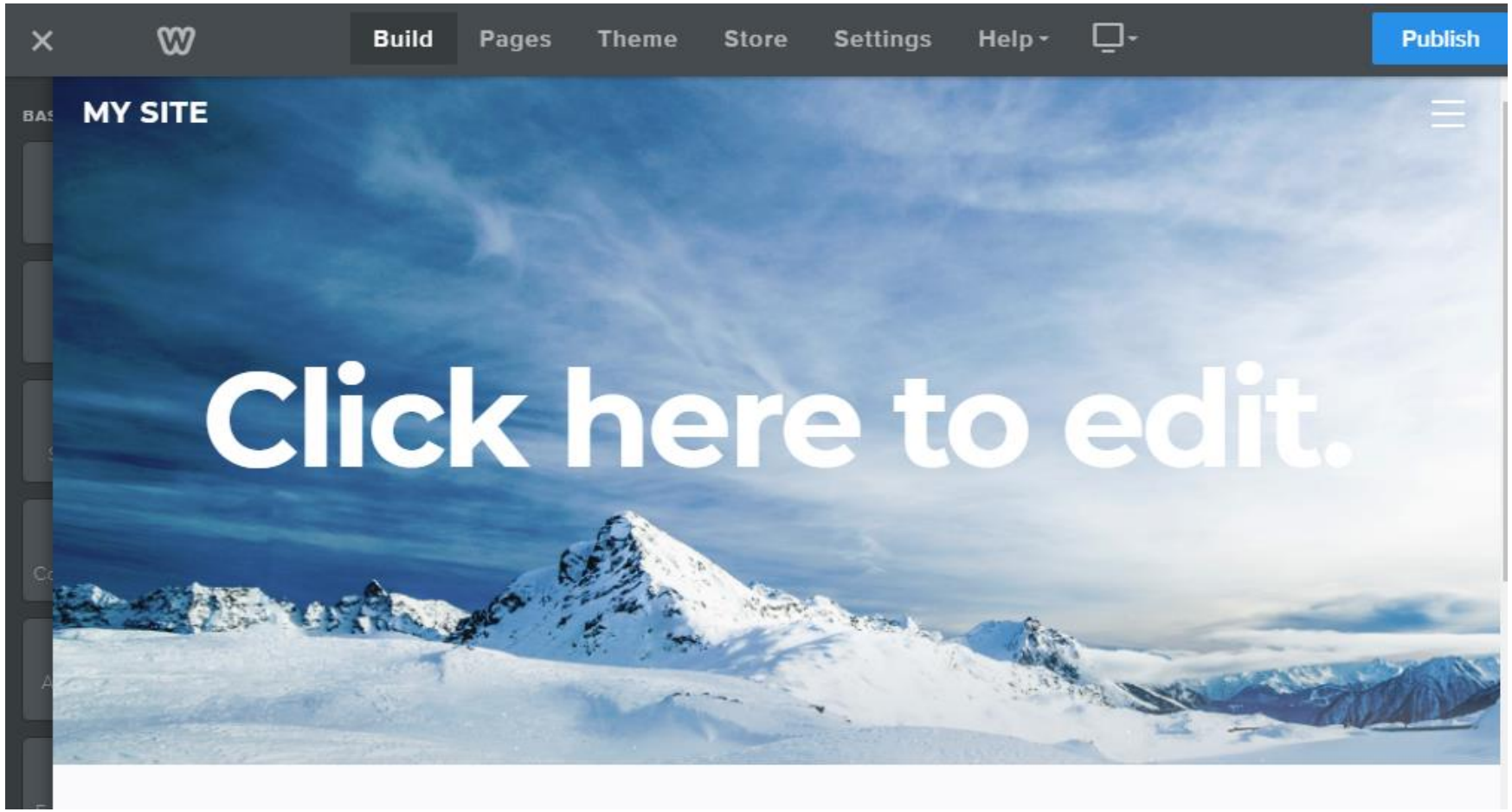
Next, **Choose a Theme**



After that, decide on a **Subdomain Name**

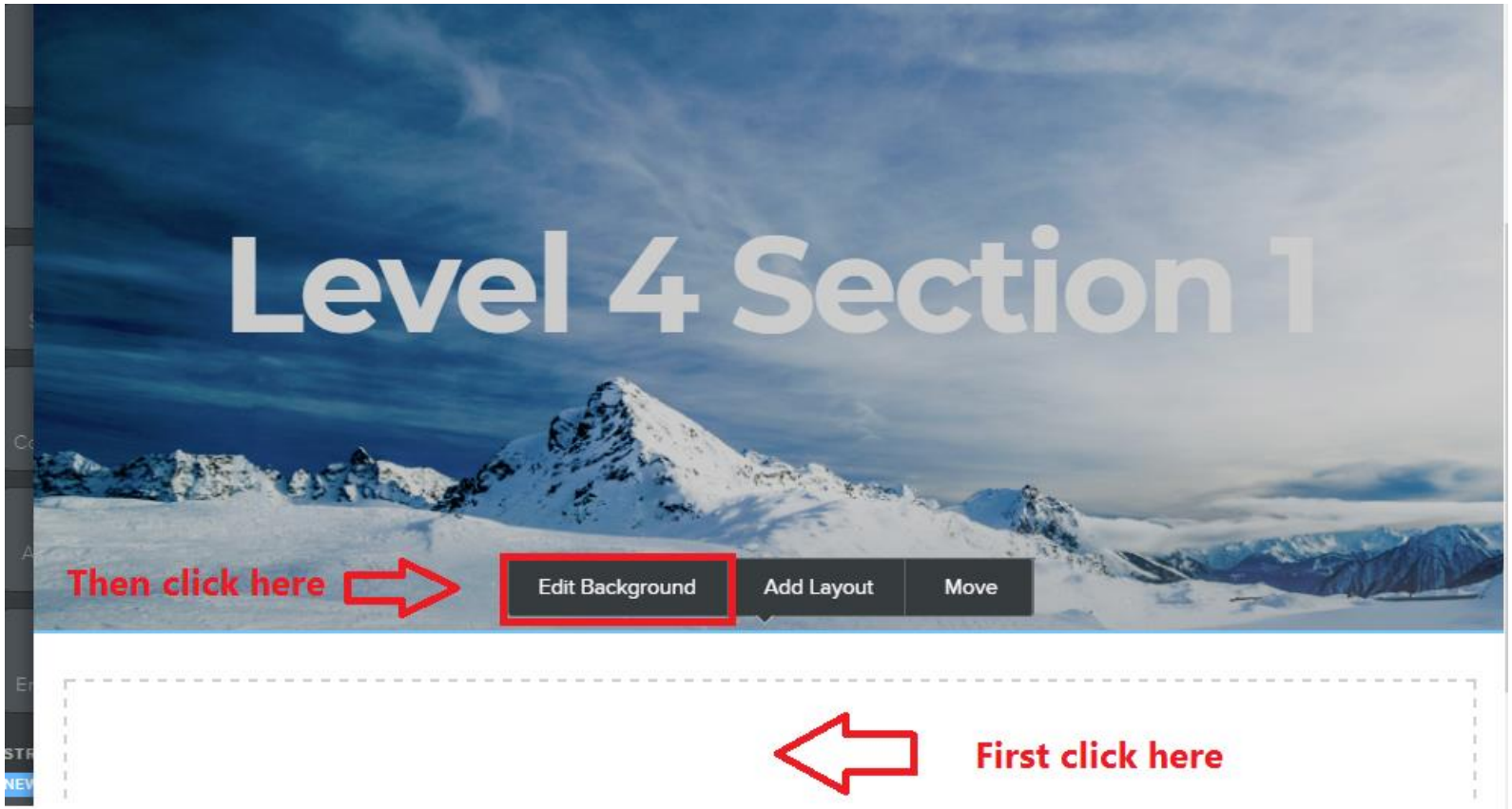


You've now got a website with a web address



If you want to change your background image

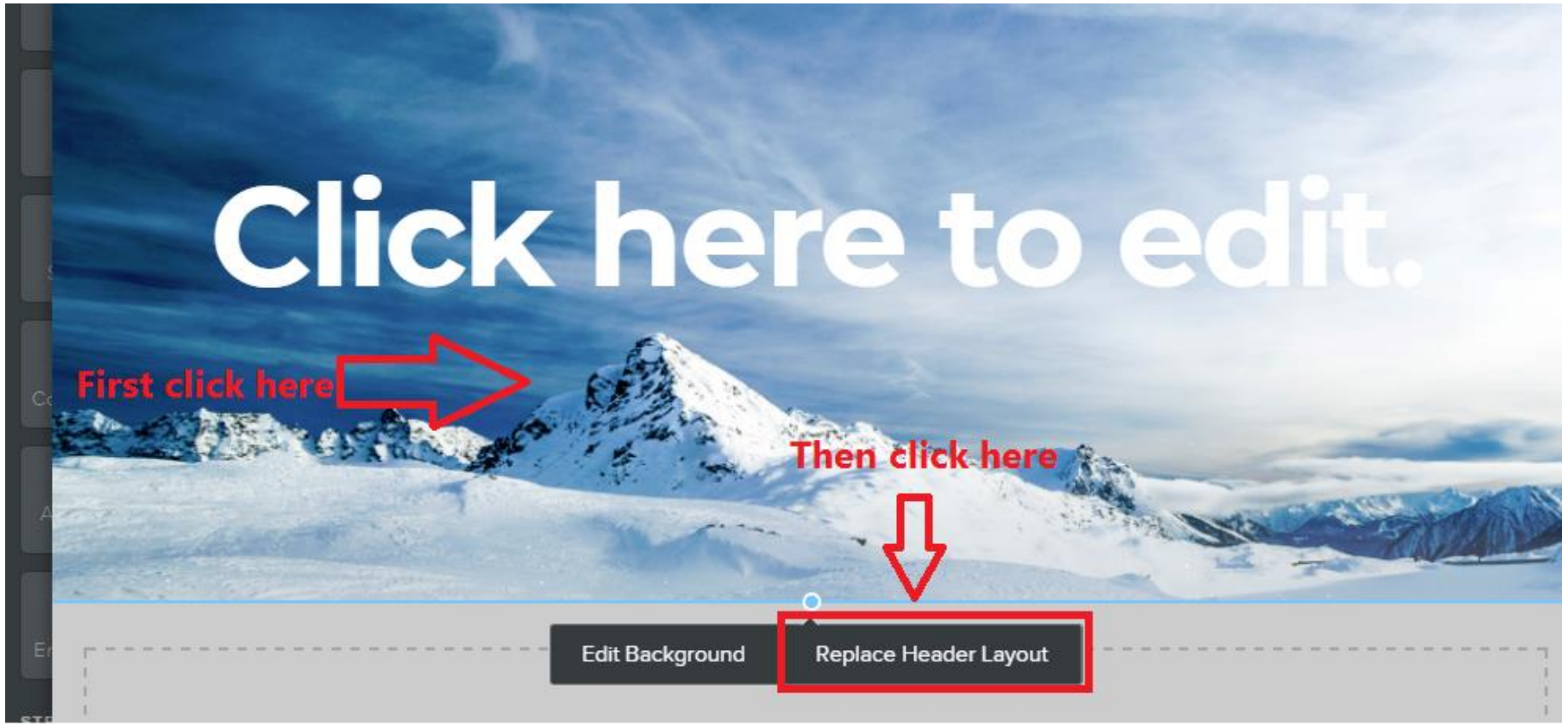
1. Click below the current image
2. Click on Edit Background
3. Choose Image or Video and make your selection



If you want to change the layout of your landing page

1. Click on the main image
2. Click on Replace Header Layout
3. Select a new layout

NB. It might be easier to choose a new theme with a landing page you like better



Edit and Add Text

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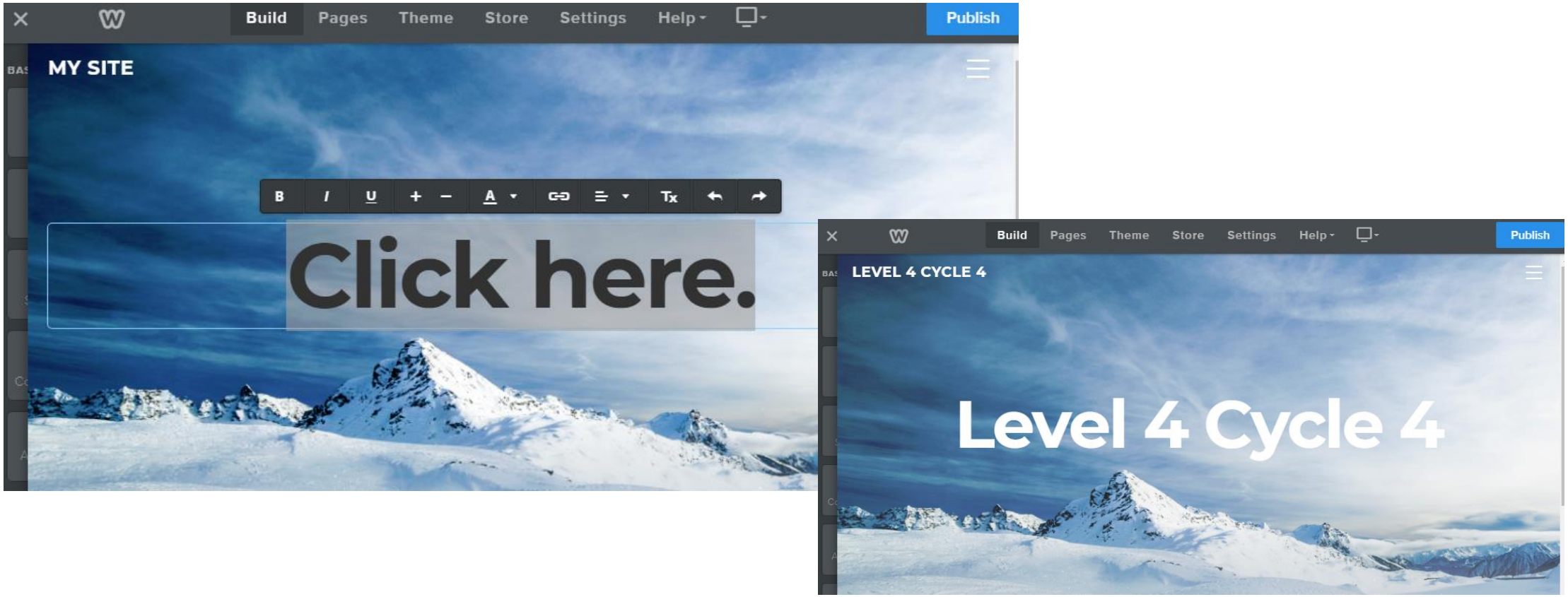
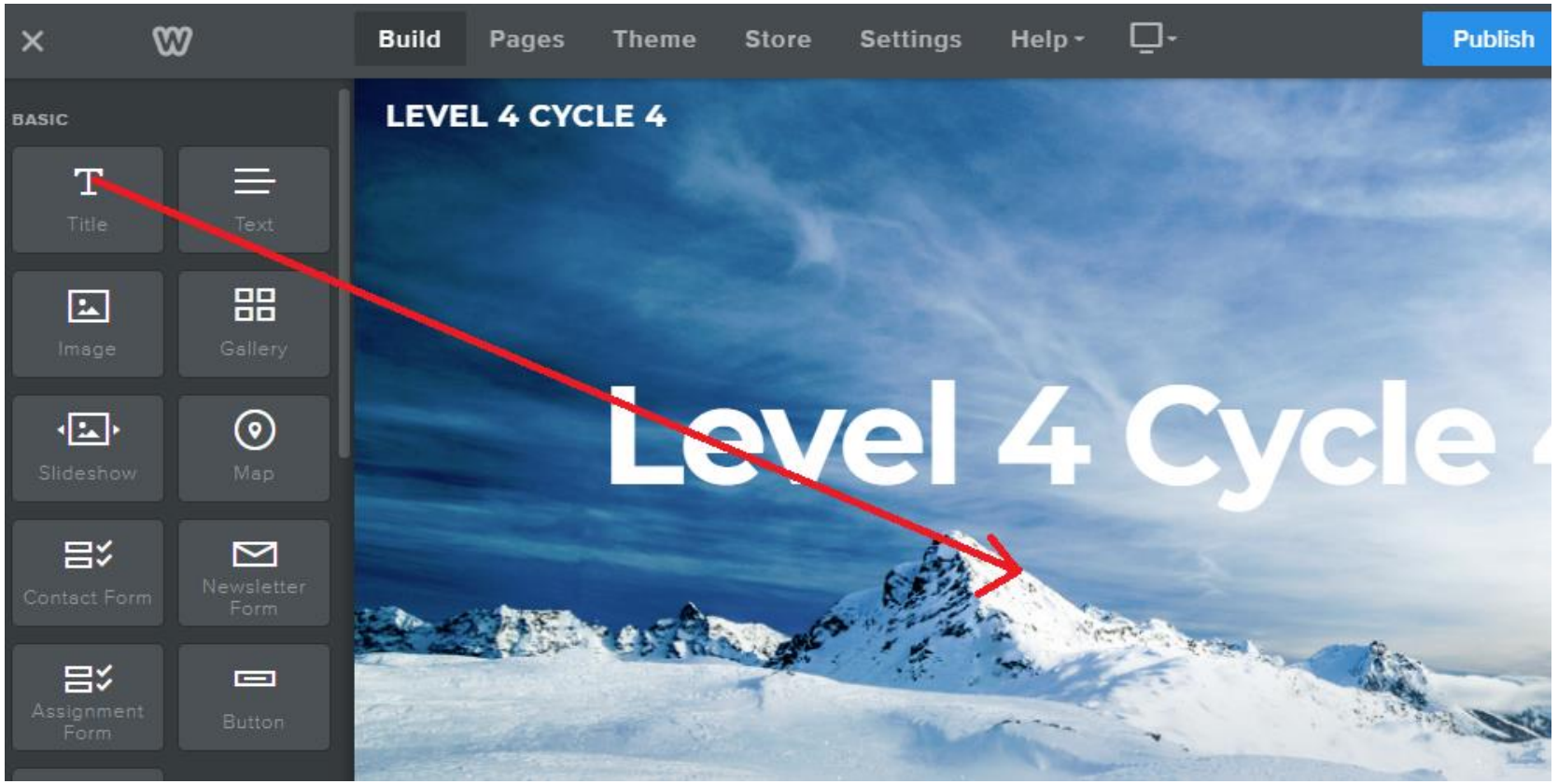
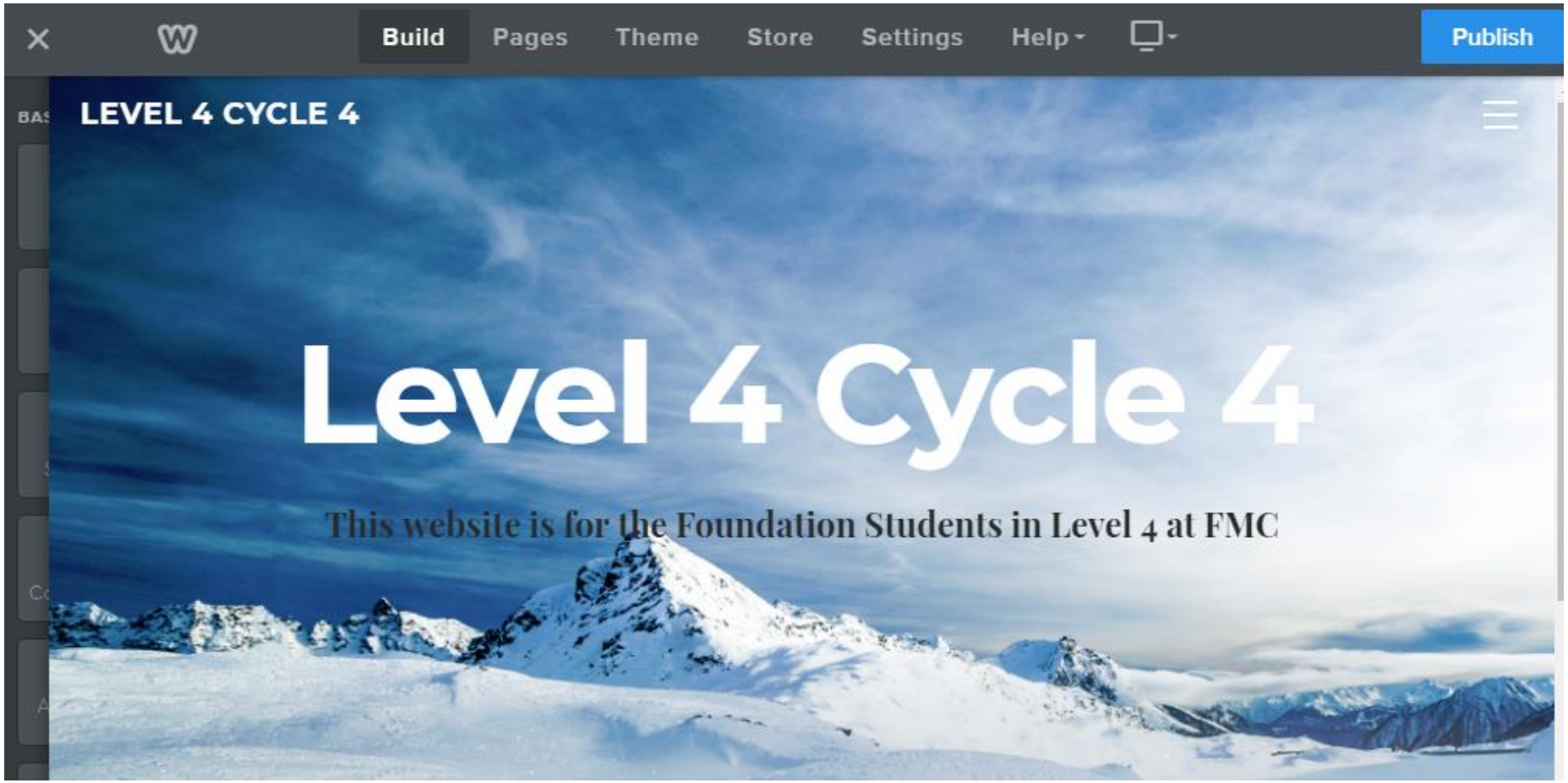
Highlight and **Edit** any template text



Drag a text tool to where you want it on the page

1. Type your text
2. Select your text and use editing tools to change font size, colour and attributes like bold and italic

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Pages
Theme
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LEVEL 4 CYCLE 4
Level 4 Cycle 4
This website is for the Foundation Students in Level 4 at FMC

Add Images

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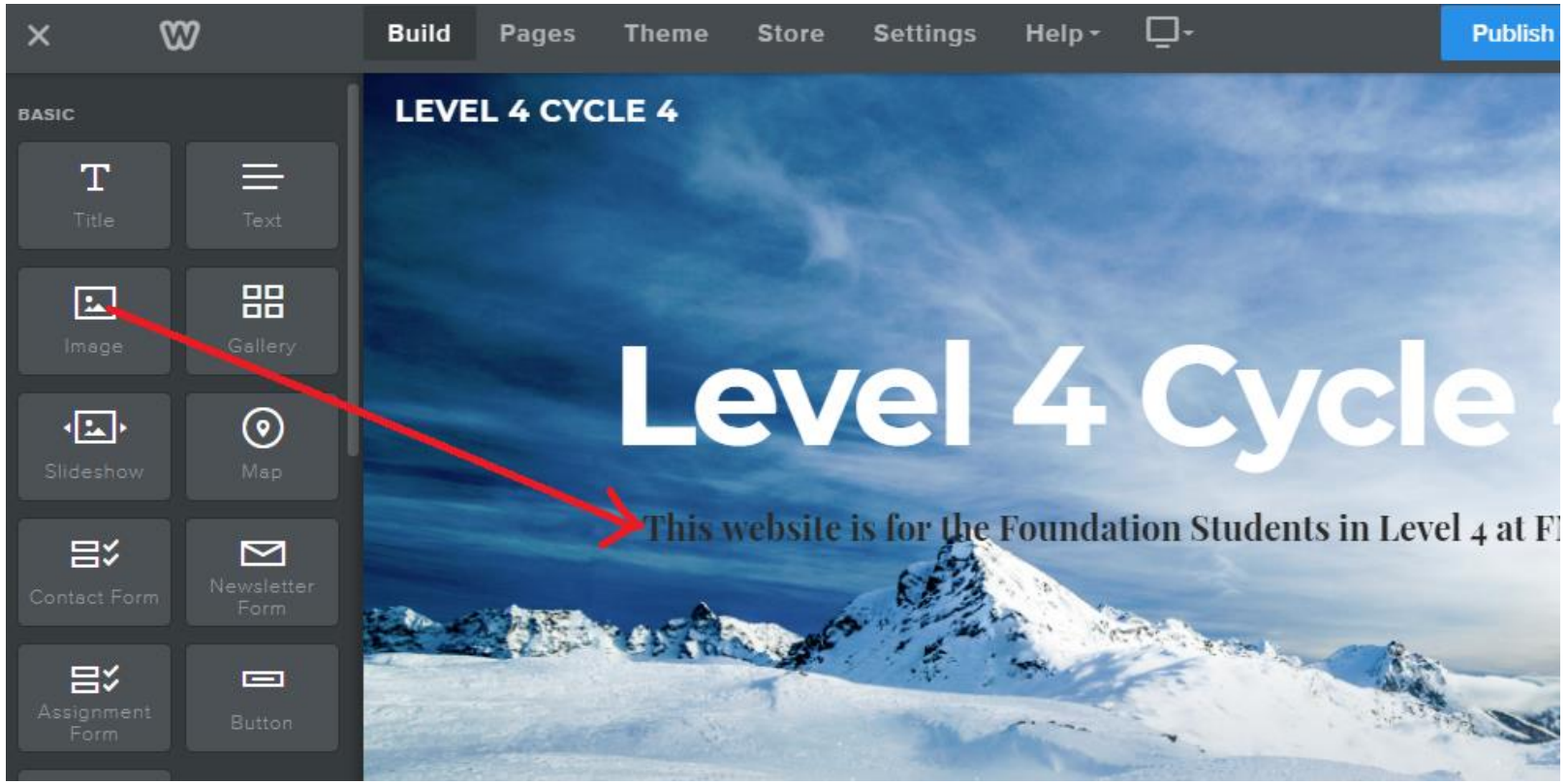
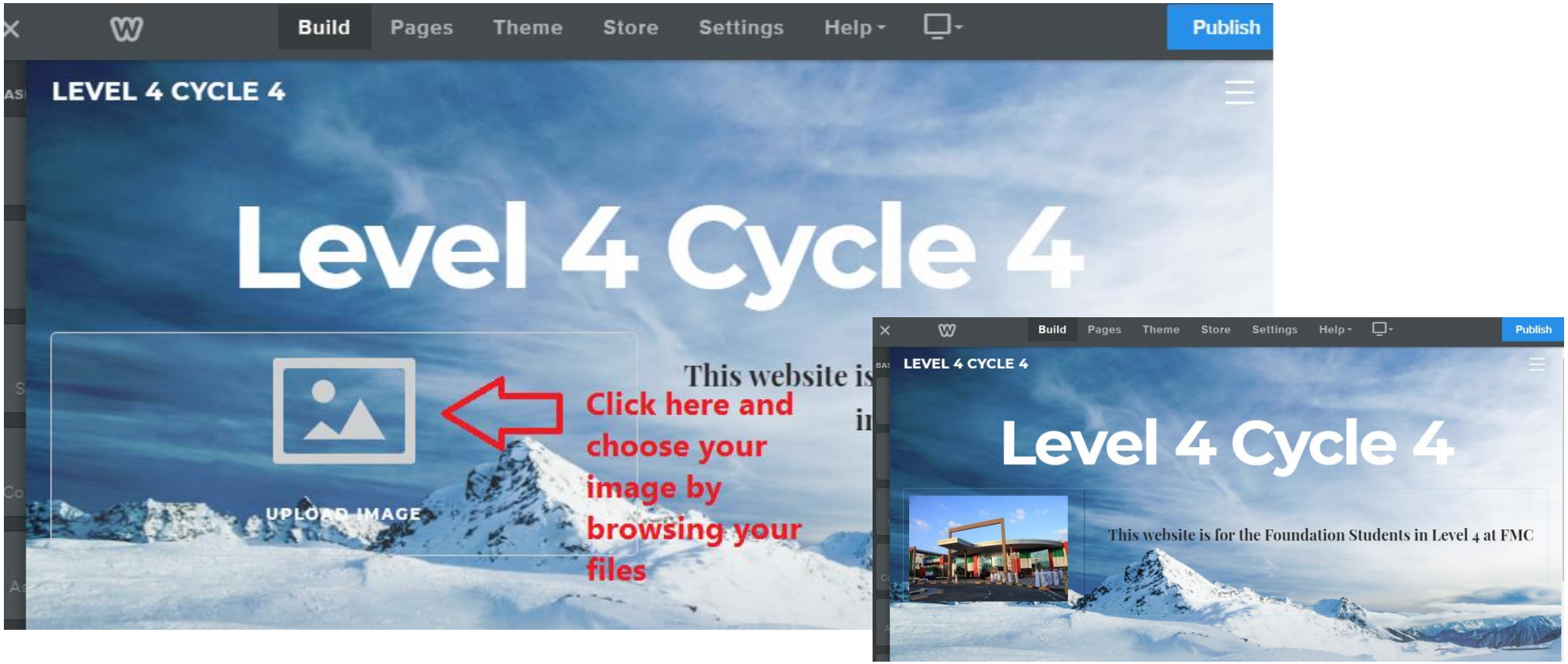
Drag the image tool to where you want it on the page

A blue line appears and indicates where the image will be placed as you move the mouse around the page

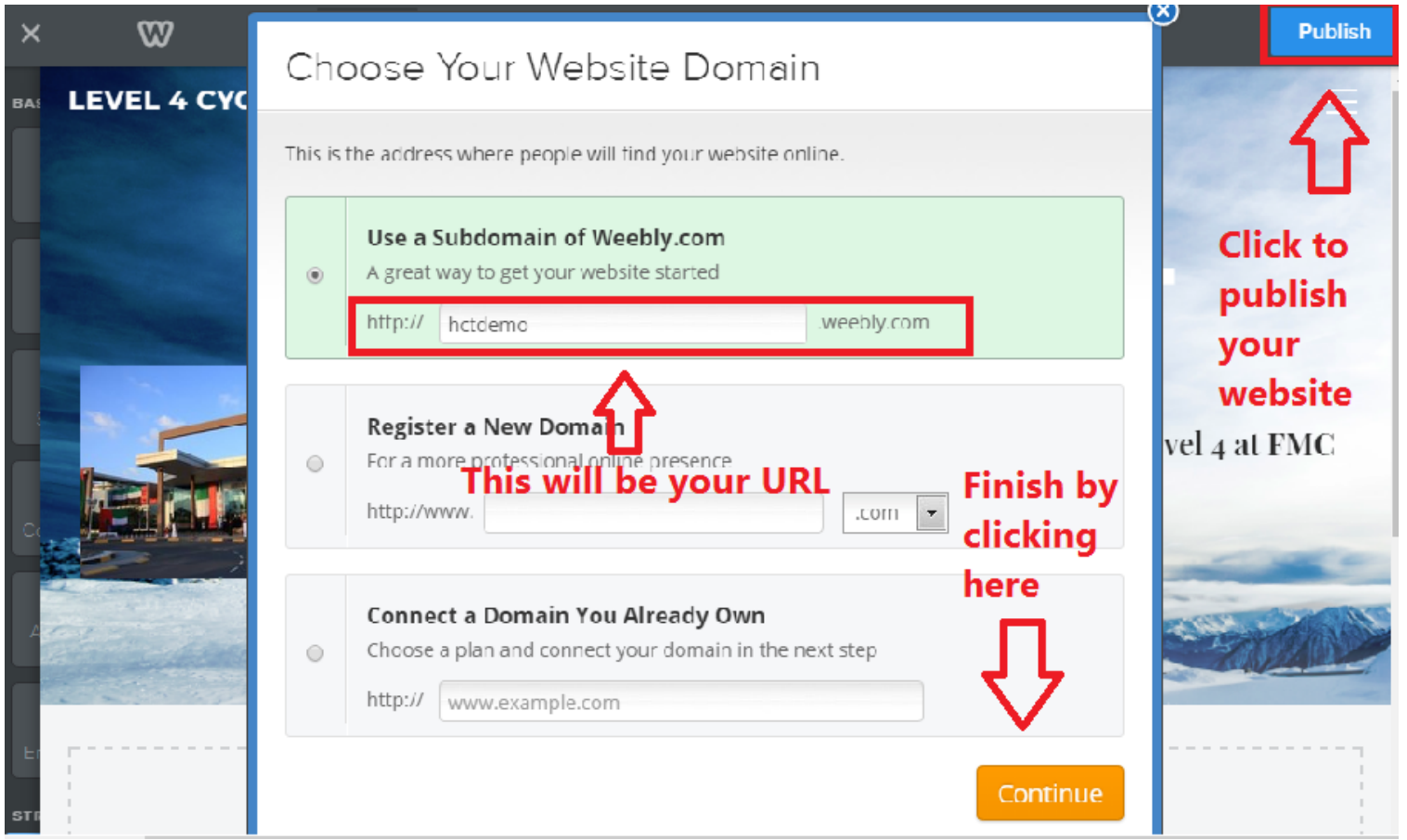


Click on the image icon and use the file browser to locate your image

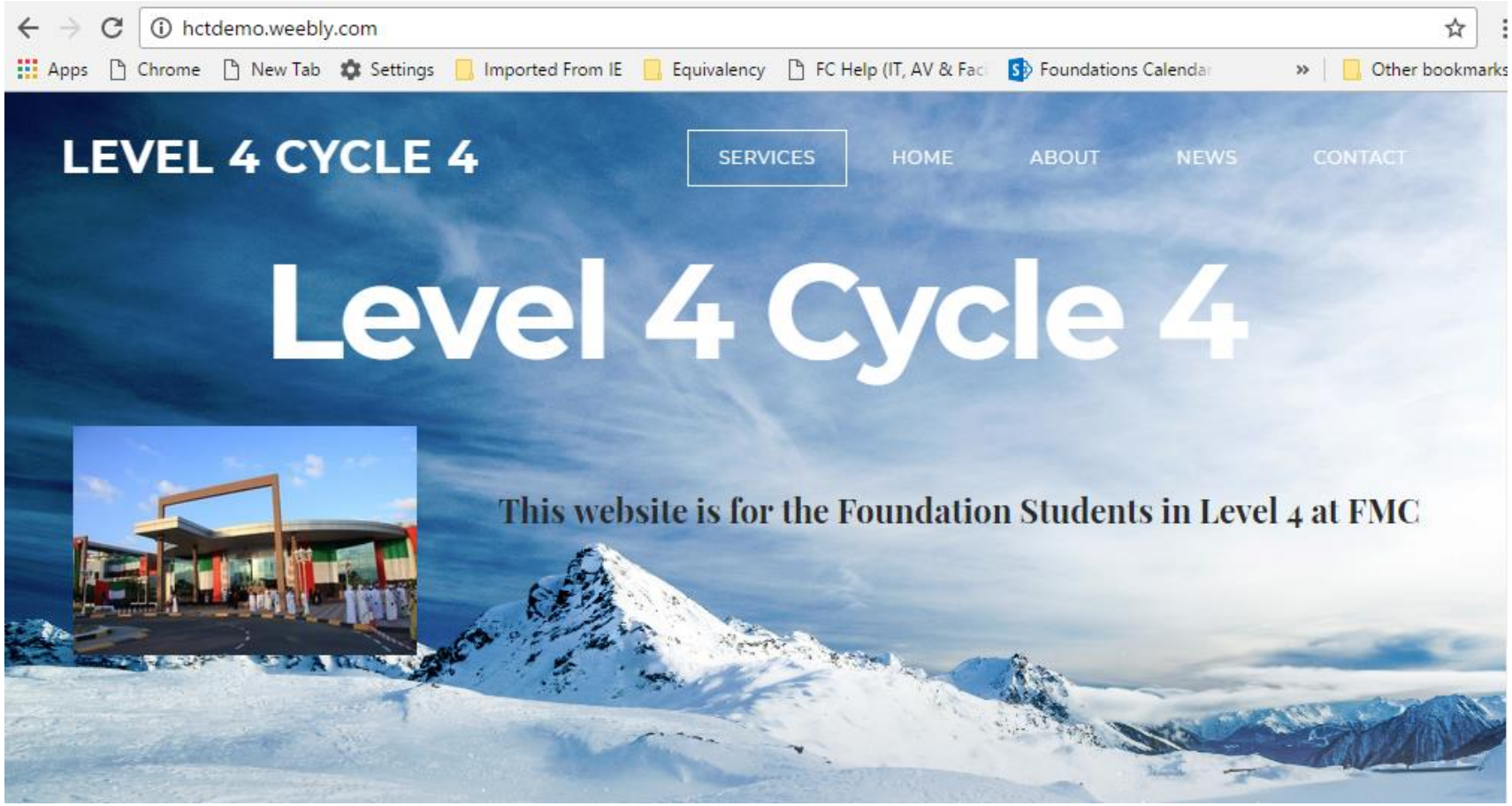
Resize the image if needed!



It’s time to publish your website!



http://hctdemo.weebly.com/



Expand and Organise Your Page Structure

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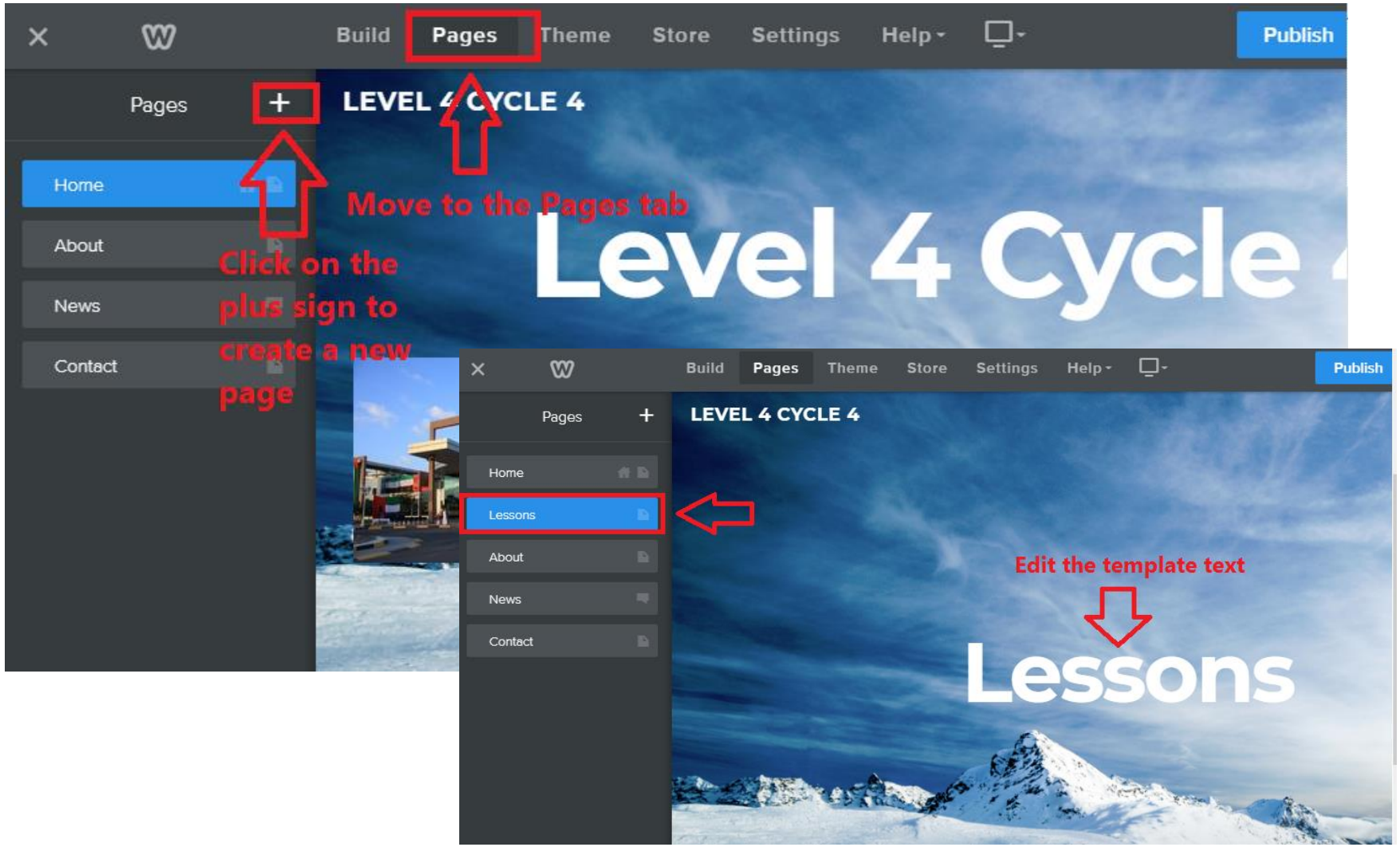
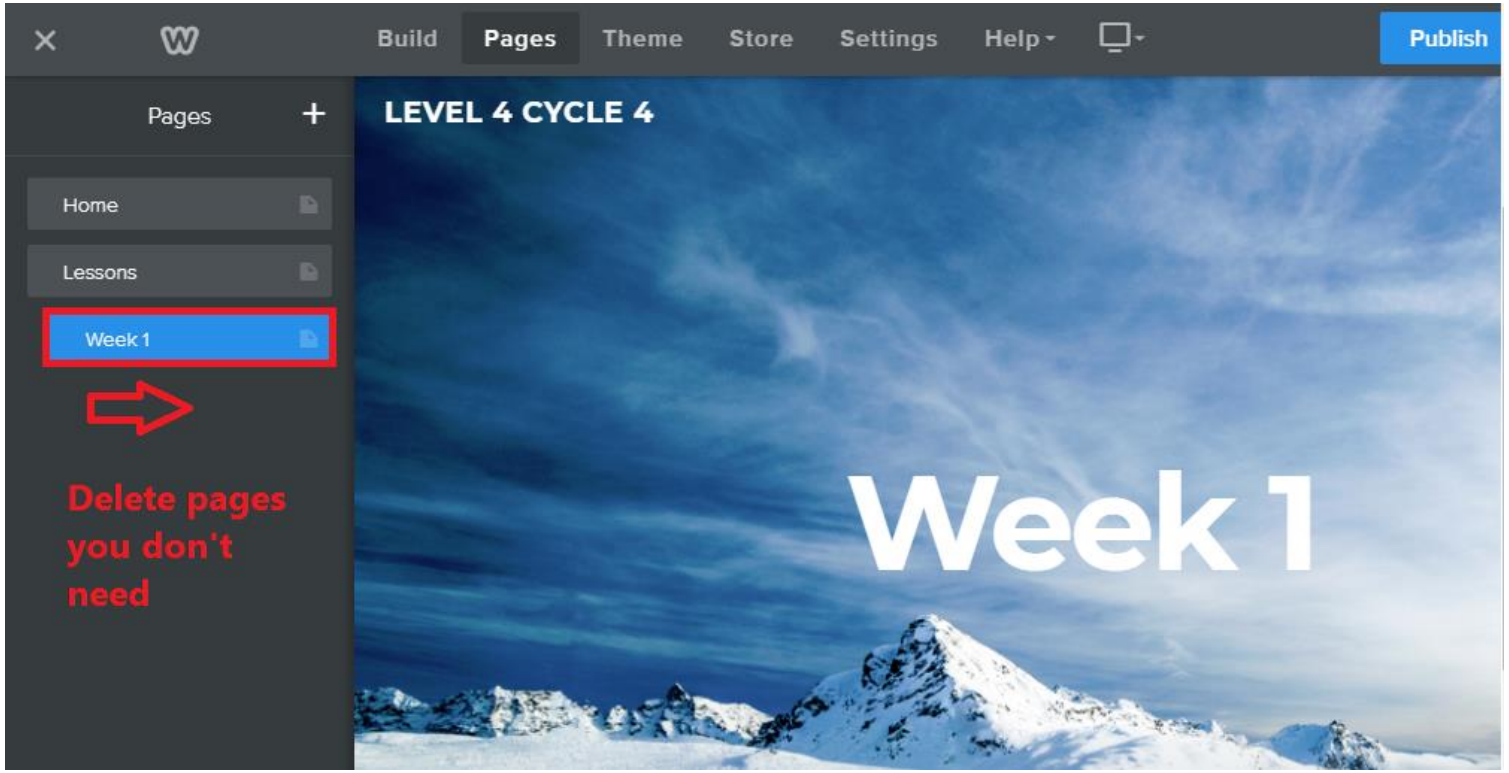
Adding Pages – New Main Page

1. Using the **Pages** tab, click on the + sign
2. Choose **Standard Page**
3. Call it *Lessons*
4. Click **Done**
5. Change the template page title to *Lessons*
6. Move it up in the pages list and put it under your **Home** page

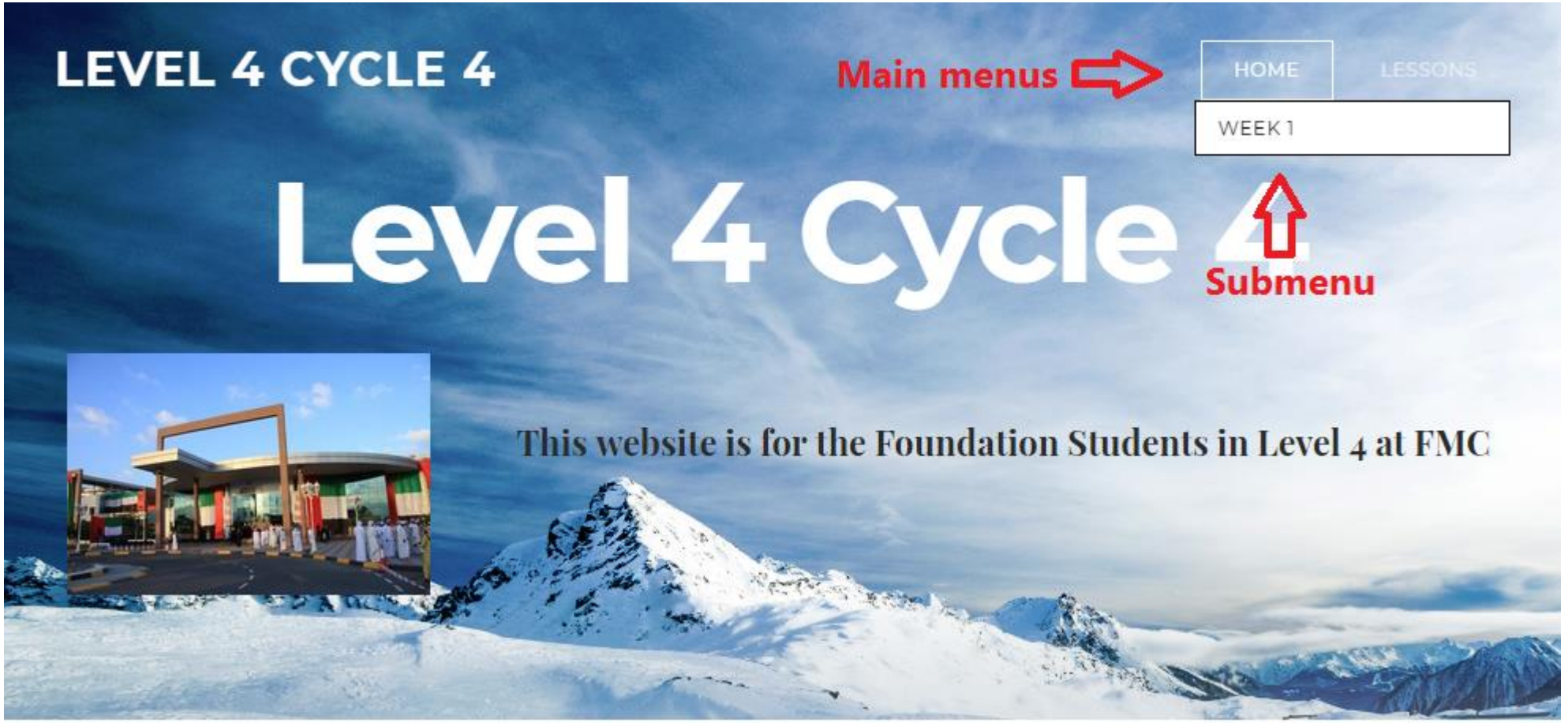


Adding Pages – New Subpage

1. Using the **Pages** tab, click on the + sign
2. Choose **Standard Page**
3. Call it *Week 1*
4. Click **Done**
5. Change the template page title to *Week 1*
6. Move it up in the pages list and put it under your **Lessons** page
7. Pull it slightly to the right to make it a subpage



You now have two main pages and one subpage



Build Your Own Template Page and Duplicate It

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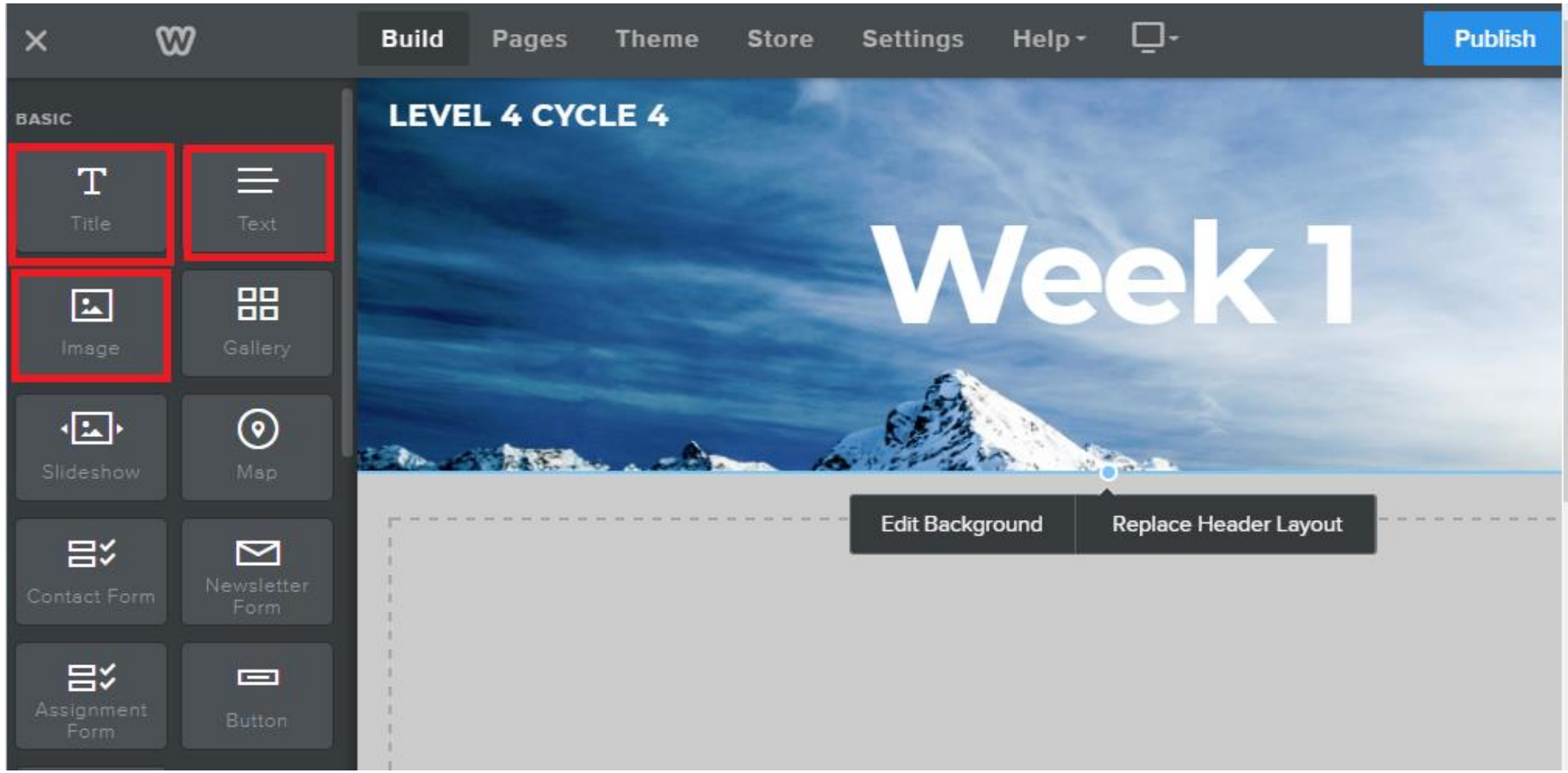
Minimise the header image for your template page

Drag the point upwards with your mouse

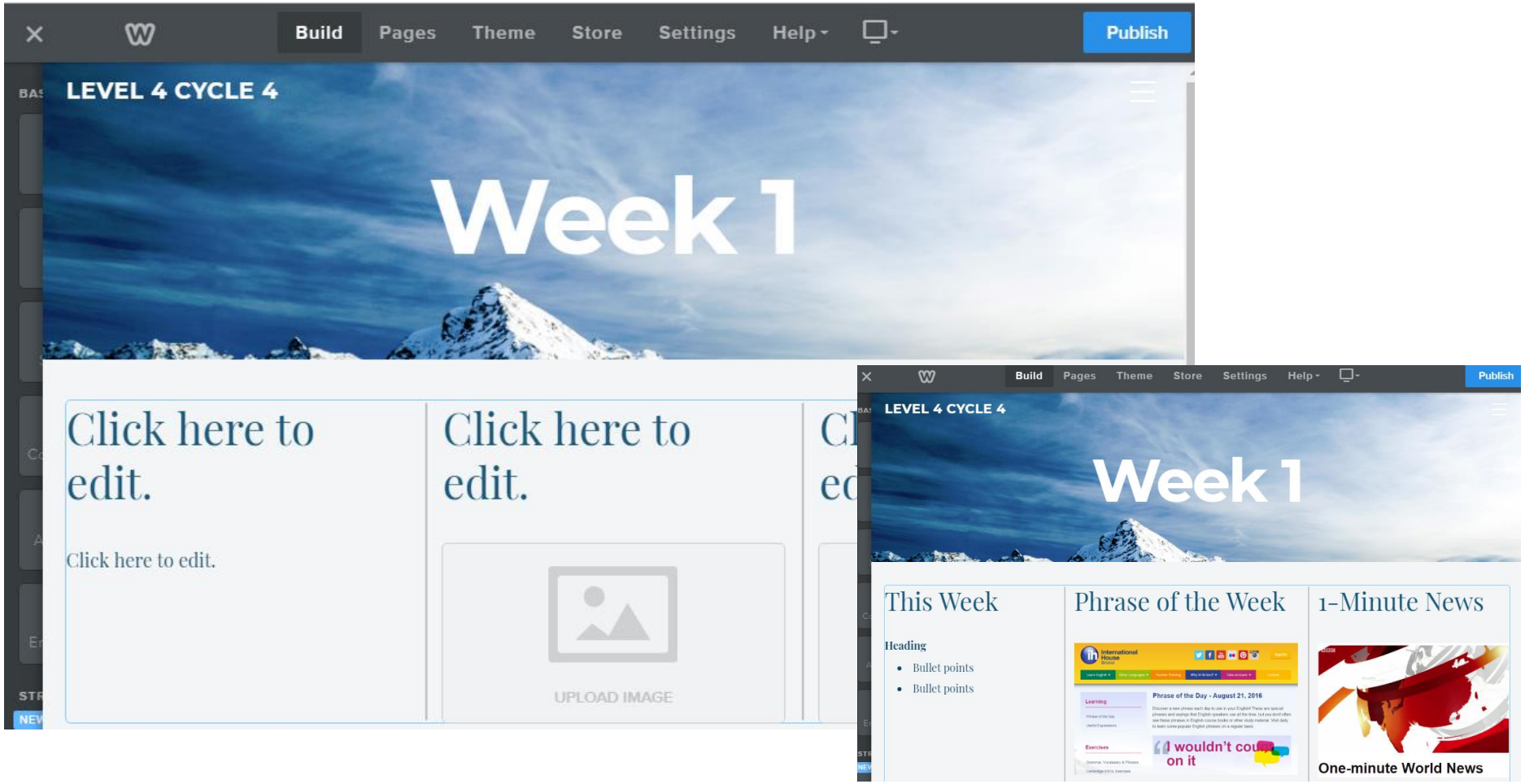
Populate your template page

Use the **Title**, **Text** and **Image** tools to populate your template page



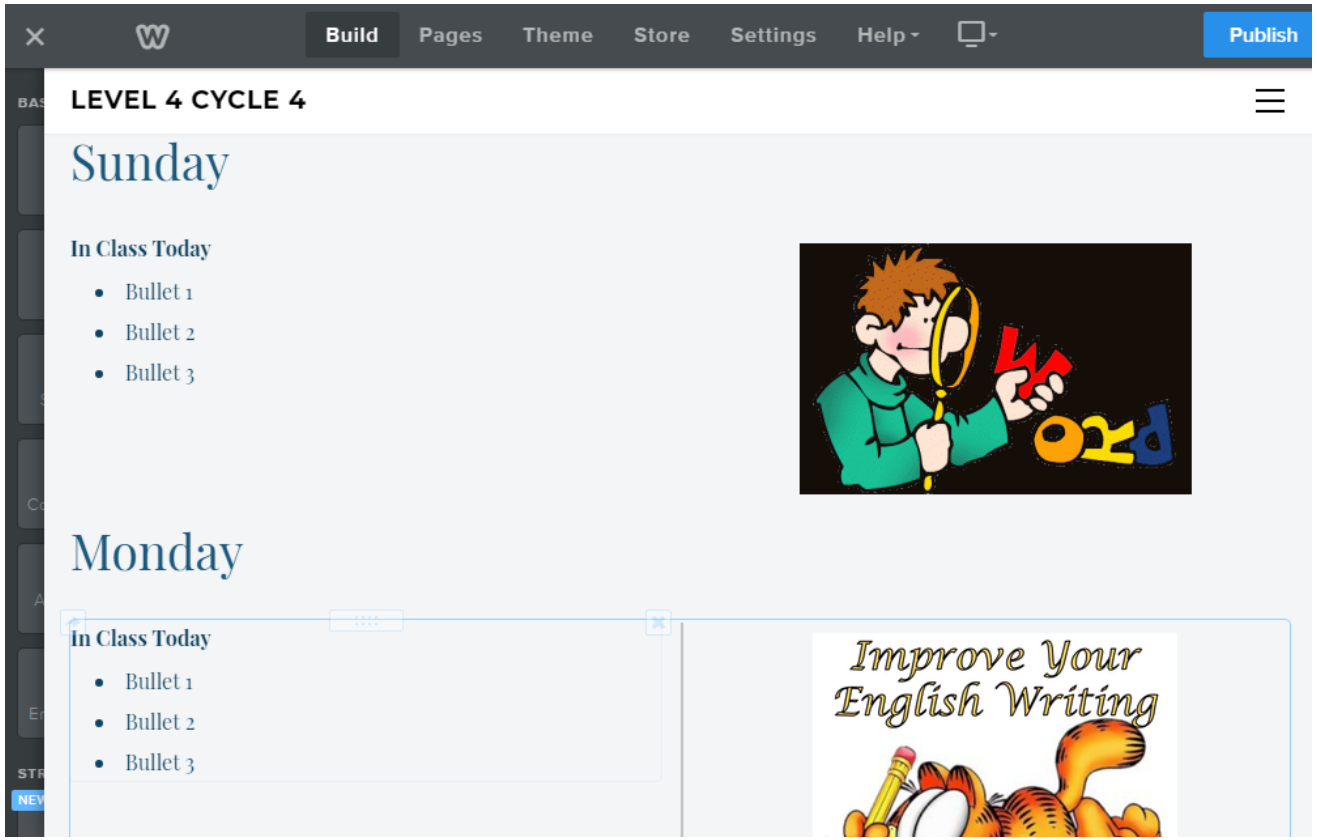
Example of a weekly template – Main section

Weekly focus point at the top



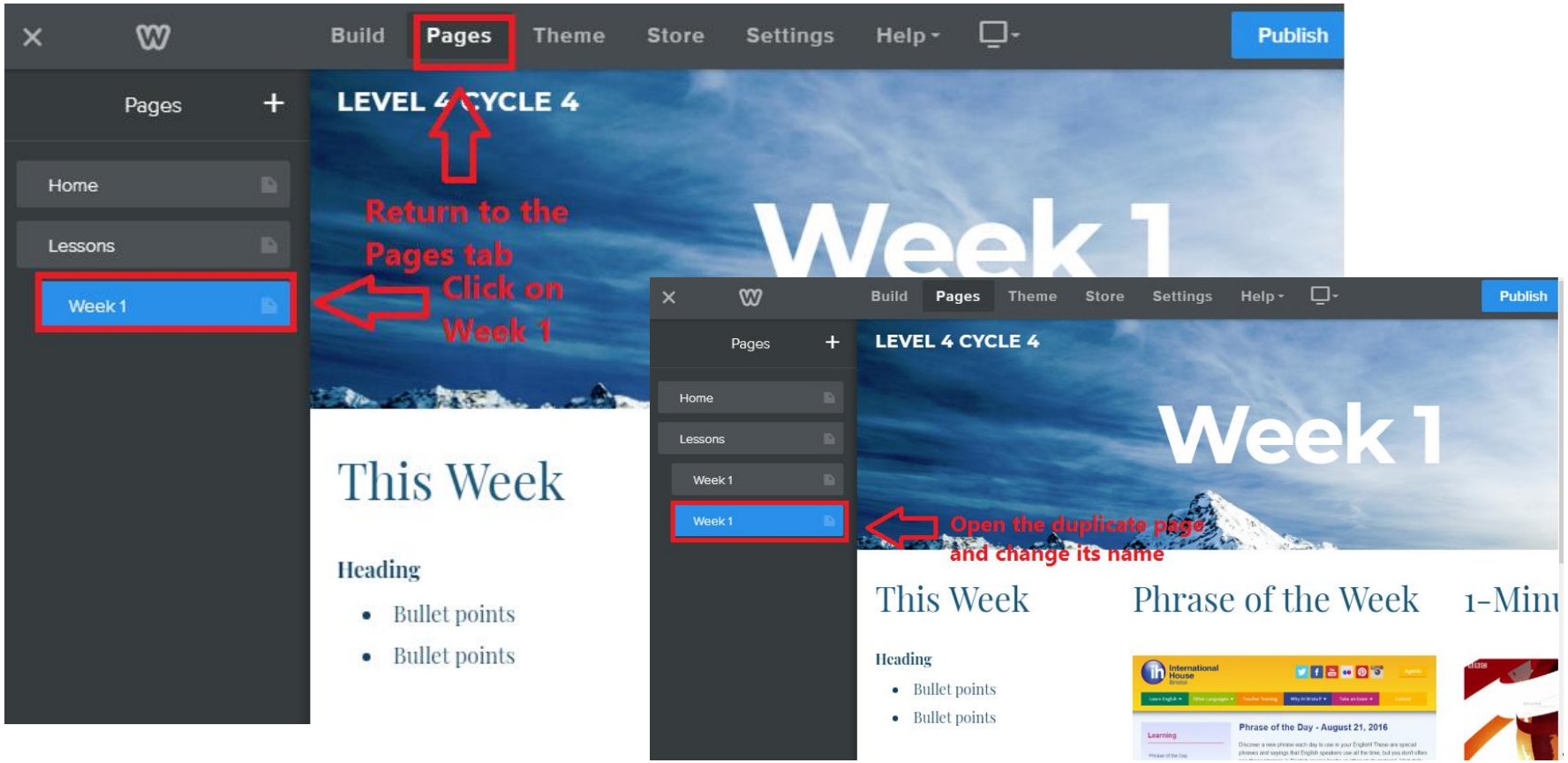
Example of a weekly template – Daily sections

Daily sections below

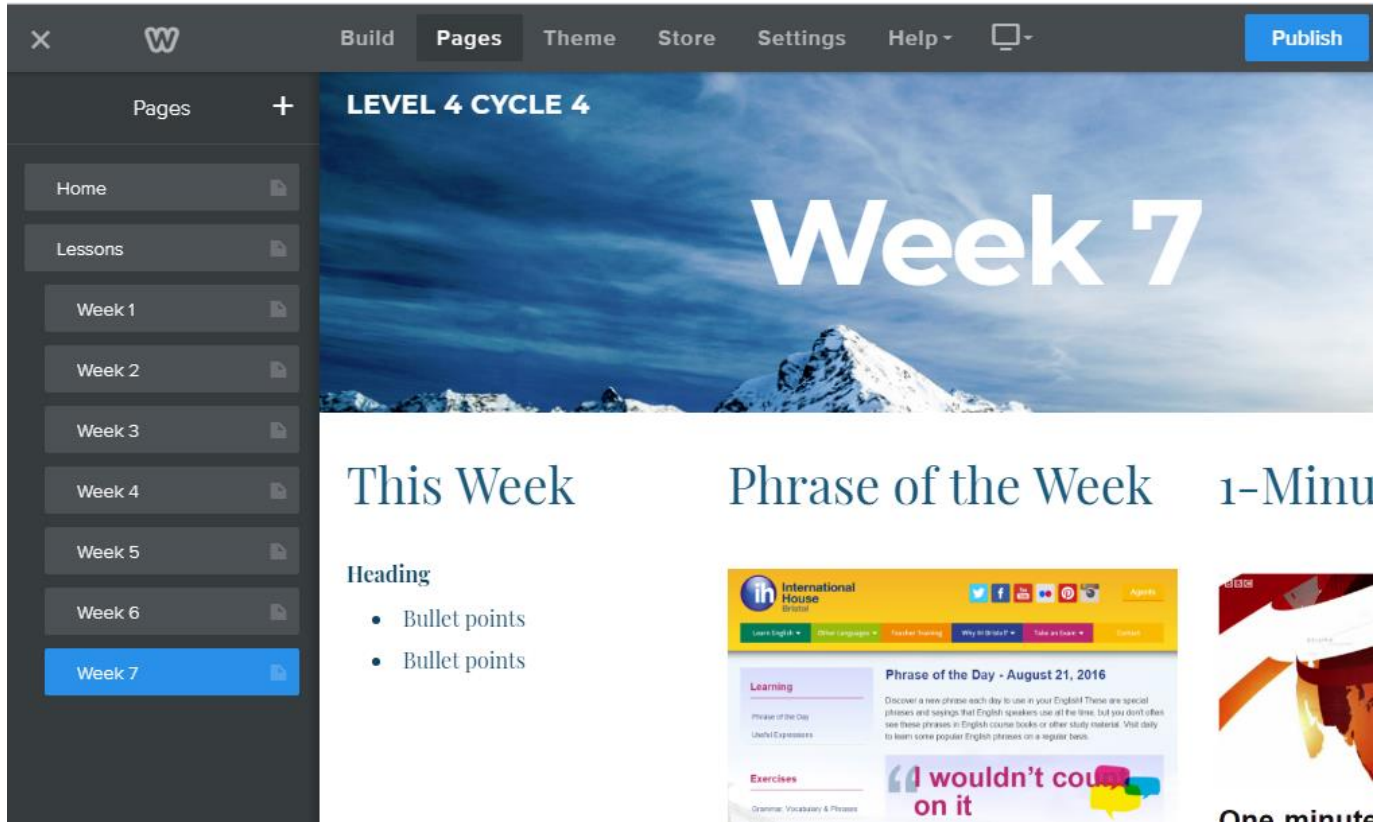


Duplicating a template page

1. In **Pages** mode, select your template page
2. Click on Copy
3. Open your duplicate page and change its name
4. Repeat this for as many duplicate pages as you need



Main pages + subpages = increase website navigation



Your website navigation

This Week

Heading

- Bullet points
- Bullet points

Phrase of the Week

1-Minute News

Add Files & Links

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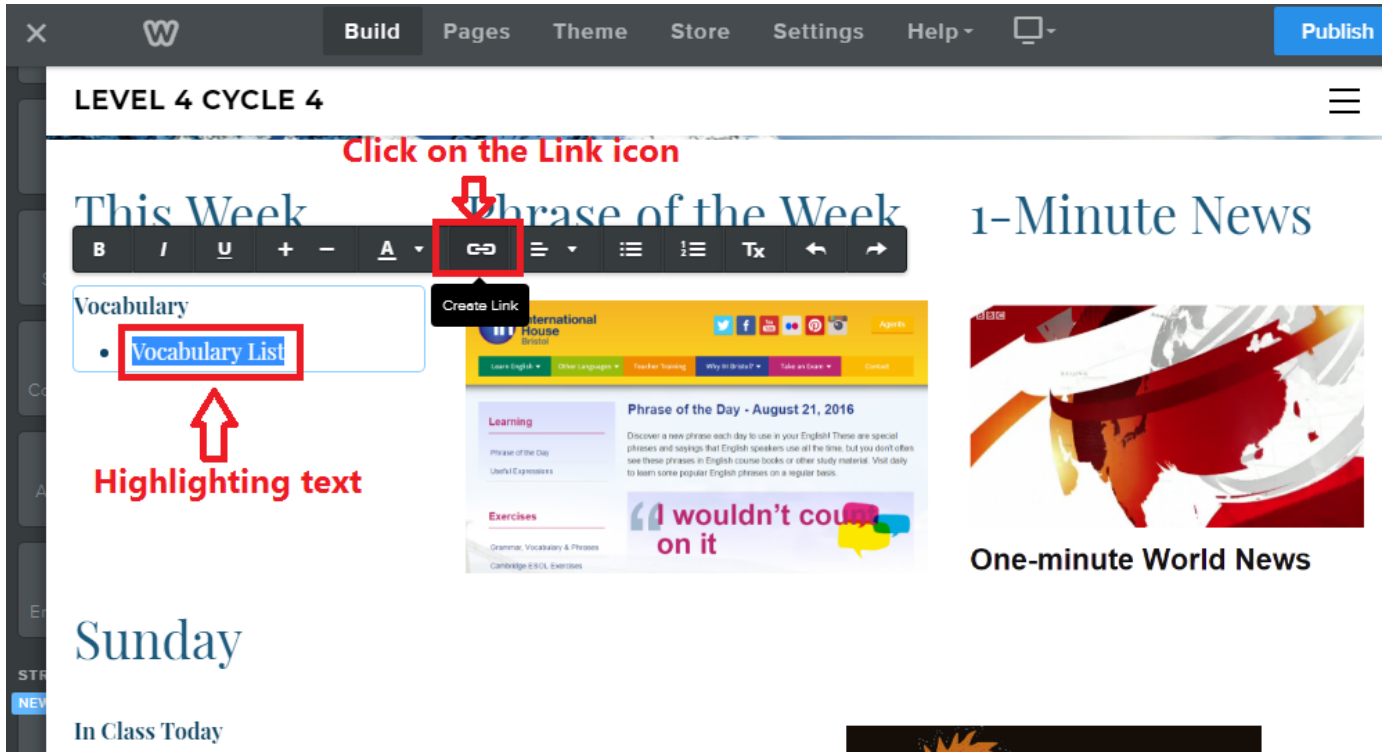
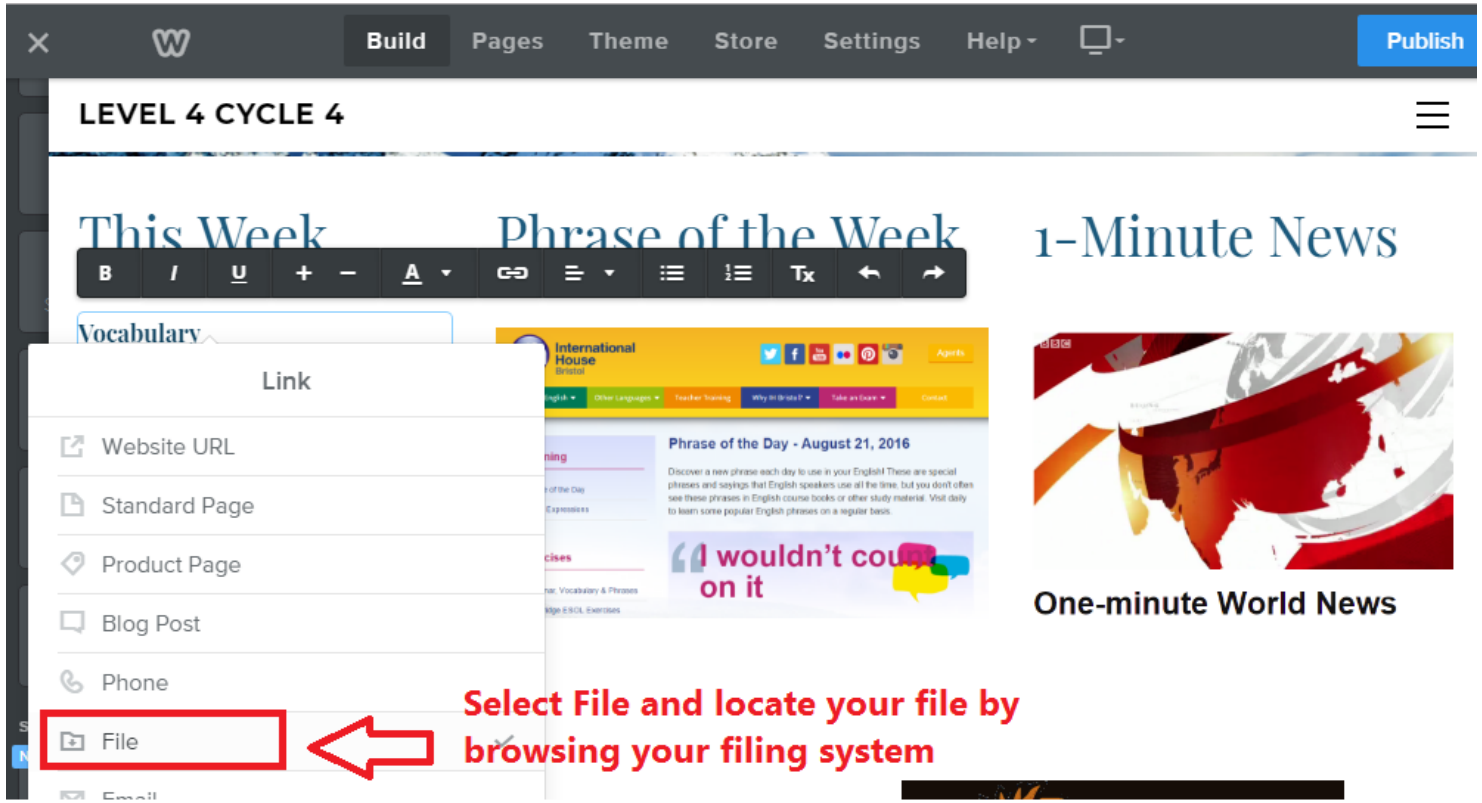
Adding Files

Highlight any text or image and click on the **Link** icon

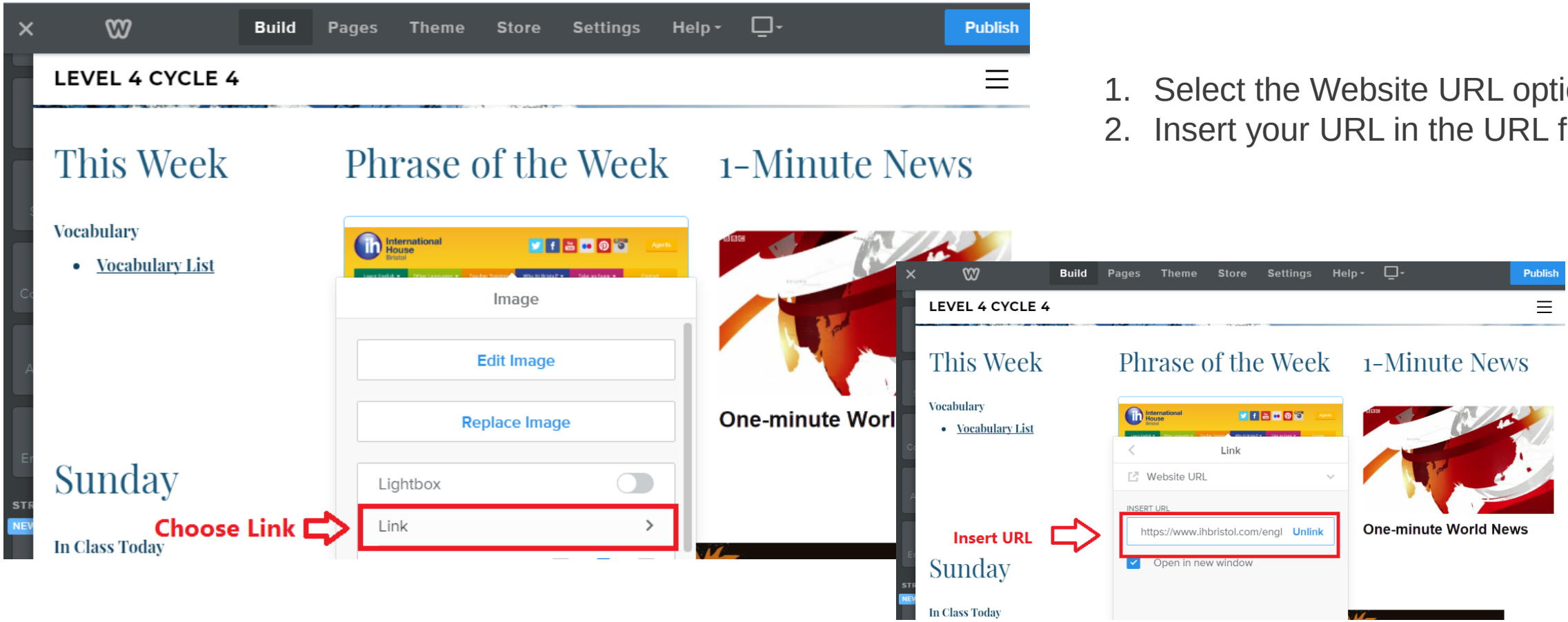


Select the **File** option and upload your file



Add Links

Highlight any text or image and click on the **Link** icon



1. Select the Website URL option
2. Insert your URL in the URL field

Congratulations!

- You now have a teaching website with:
  - a Home page
  - a new menu option (Lessons)
  - a number of submenus (Weeks)

- You have
  - Added text
  - Added images
  - Added links
  - Added files

YouTube Videos & Picture Galleries

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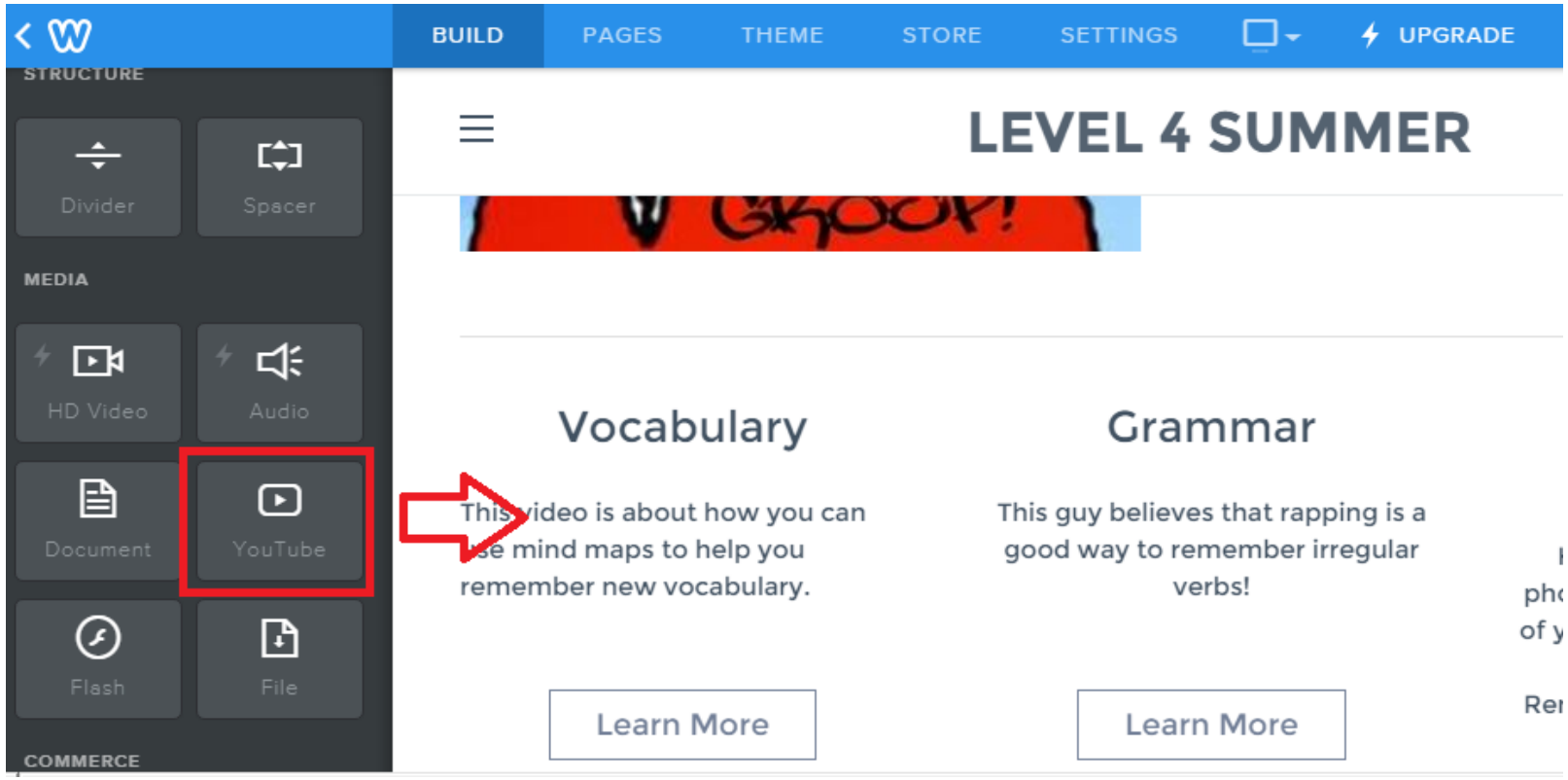
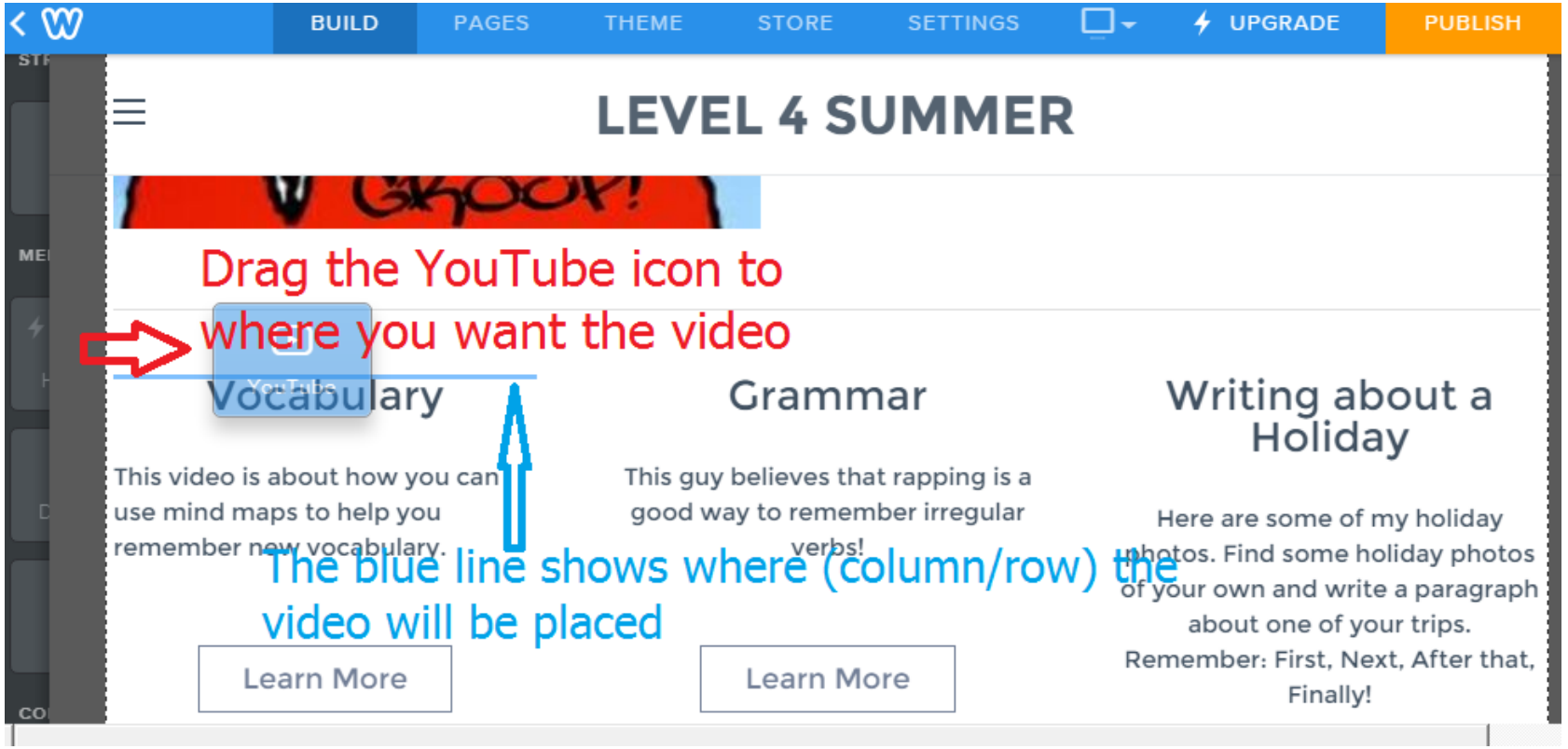
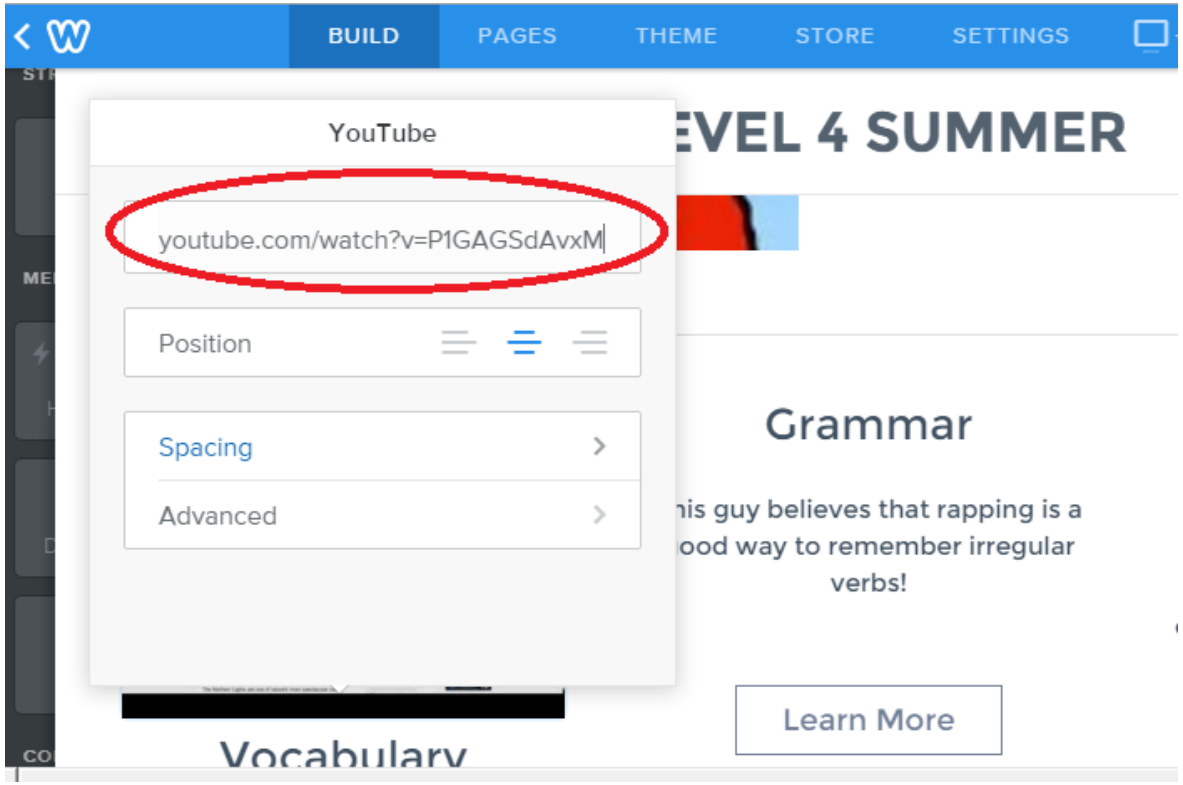
YouTube Videos – Drag the **YouTube** icon onto your page



Place the YouTube icon where you want the video to show

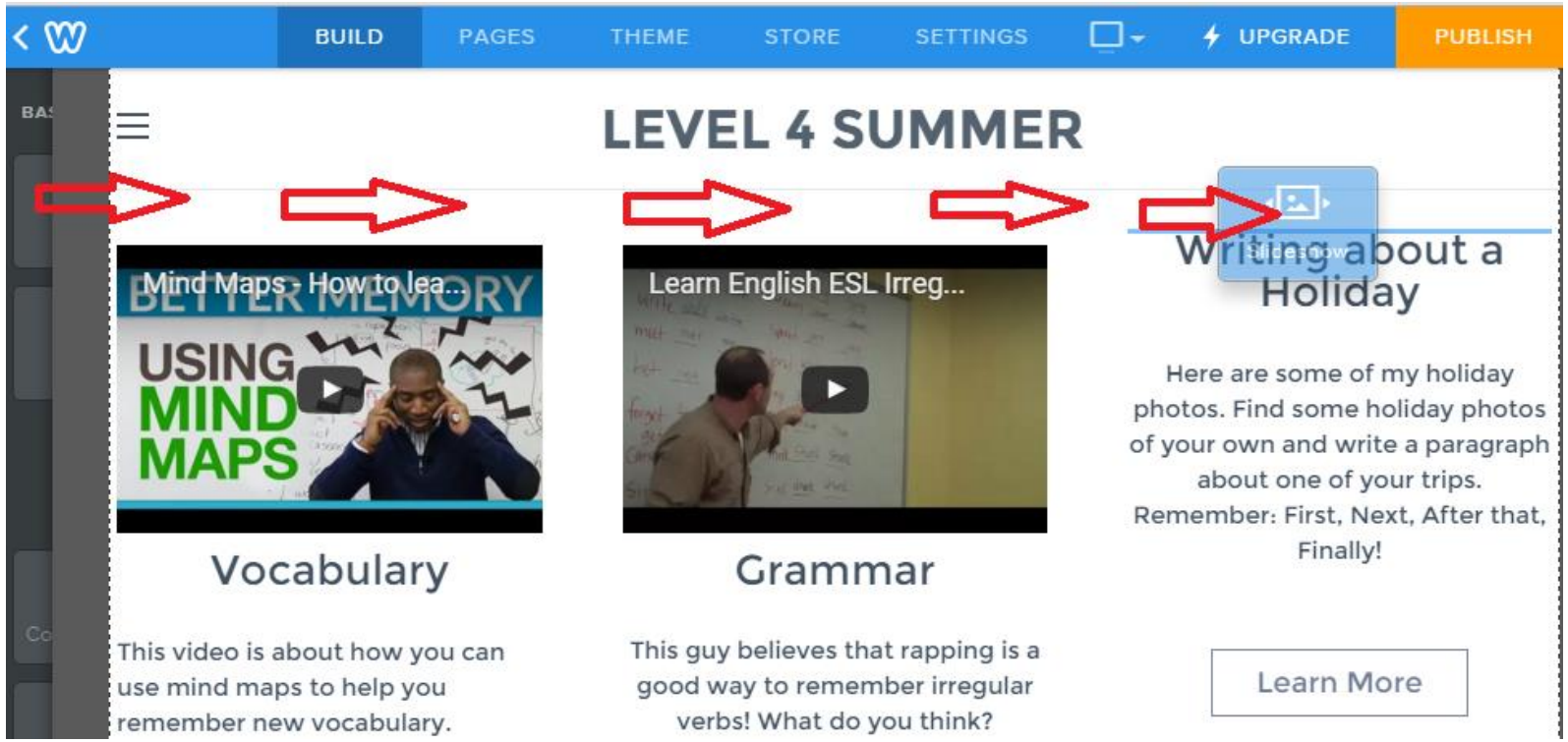


Click on the YouTube template image and add the URL for your video

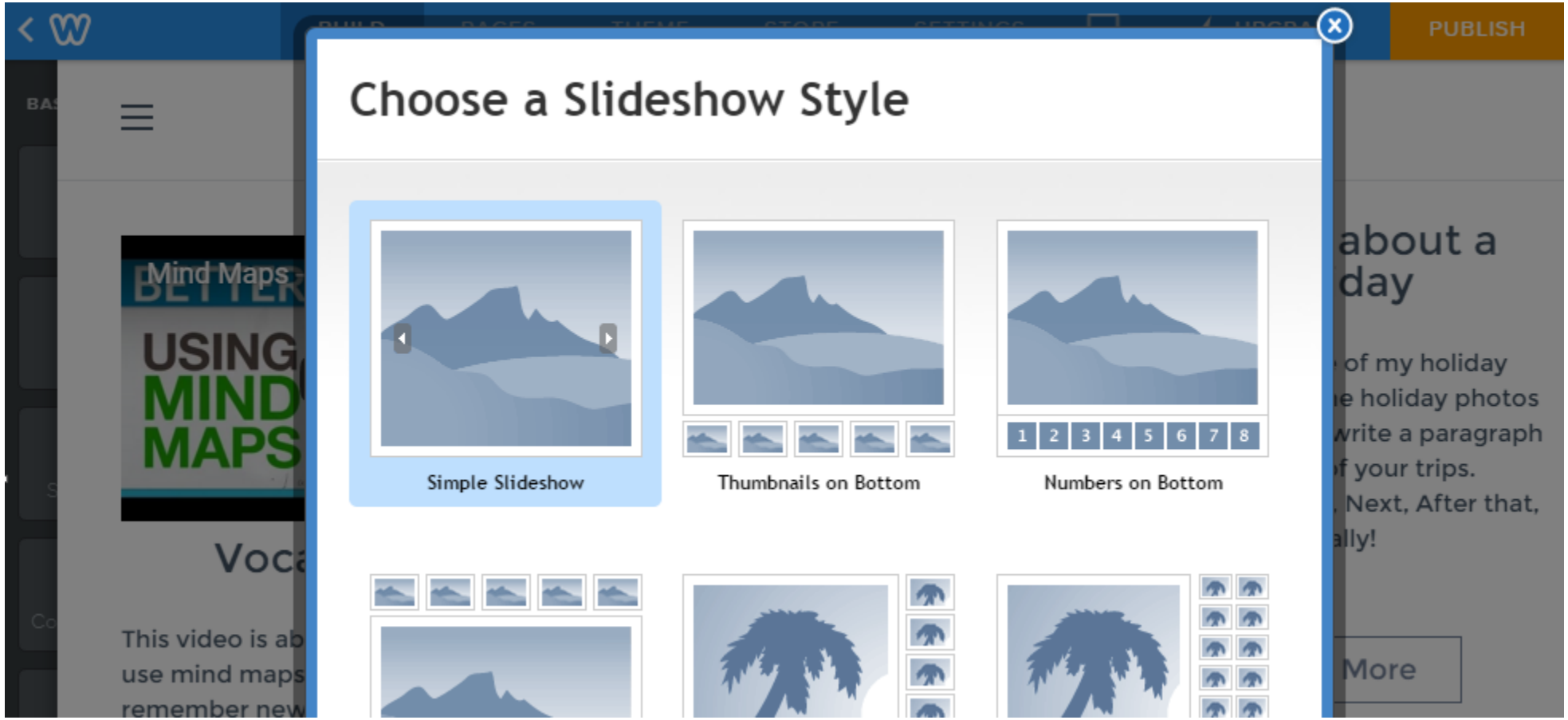


Your students can now watch the videos you have selected directly from the webpage.

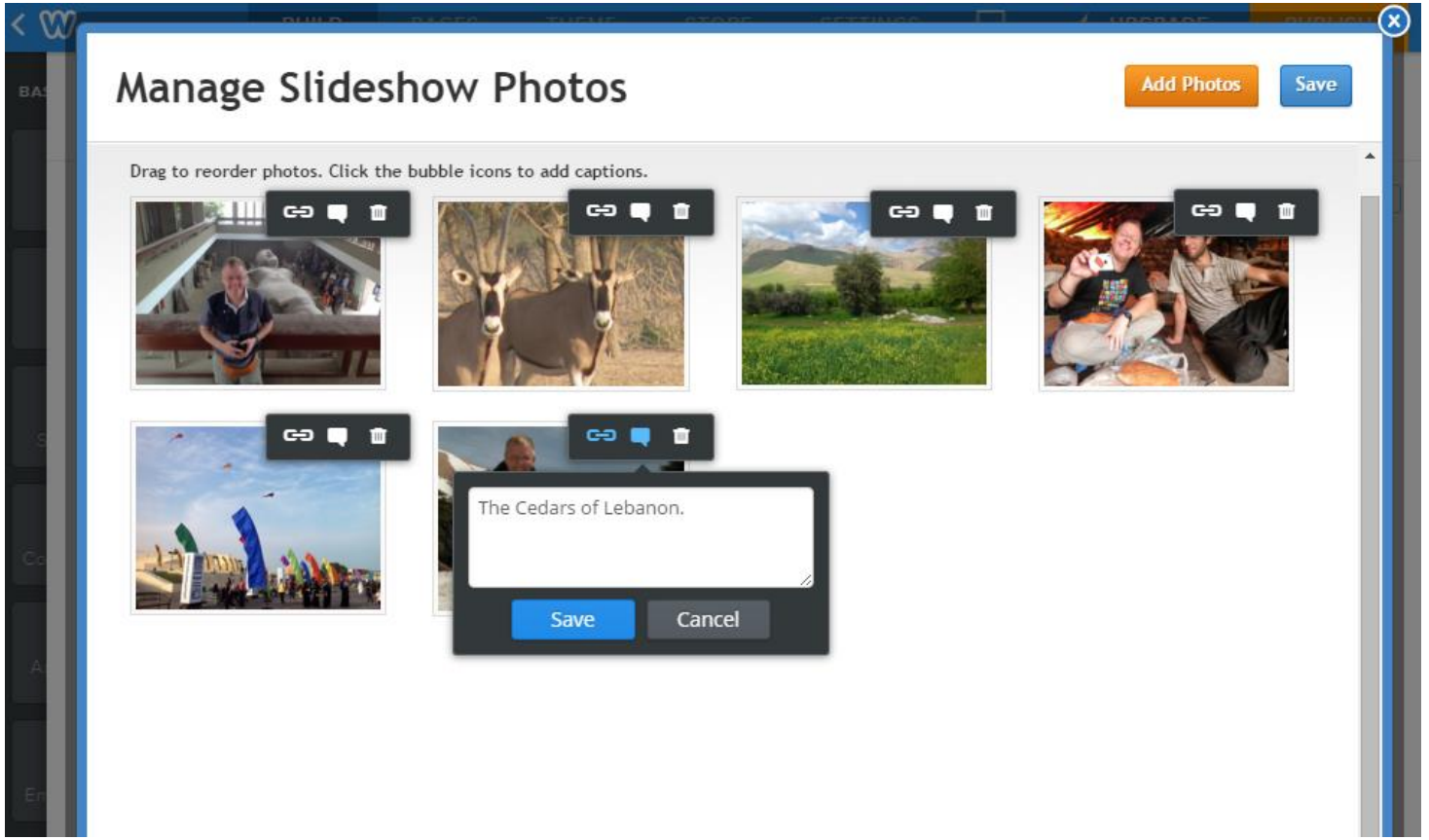
Slide Show – Drag the Slide Show icon onto your page



Select the Slideshow style you want

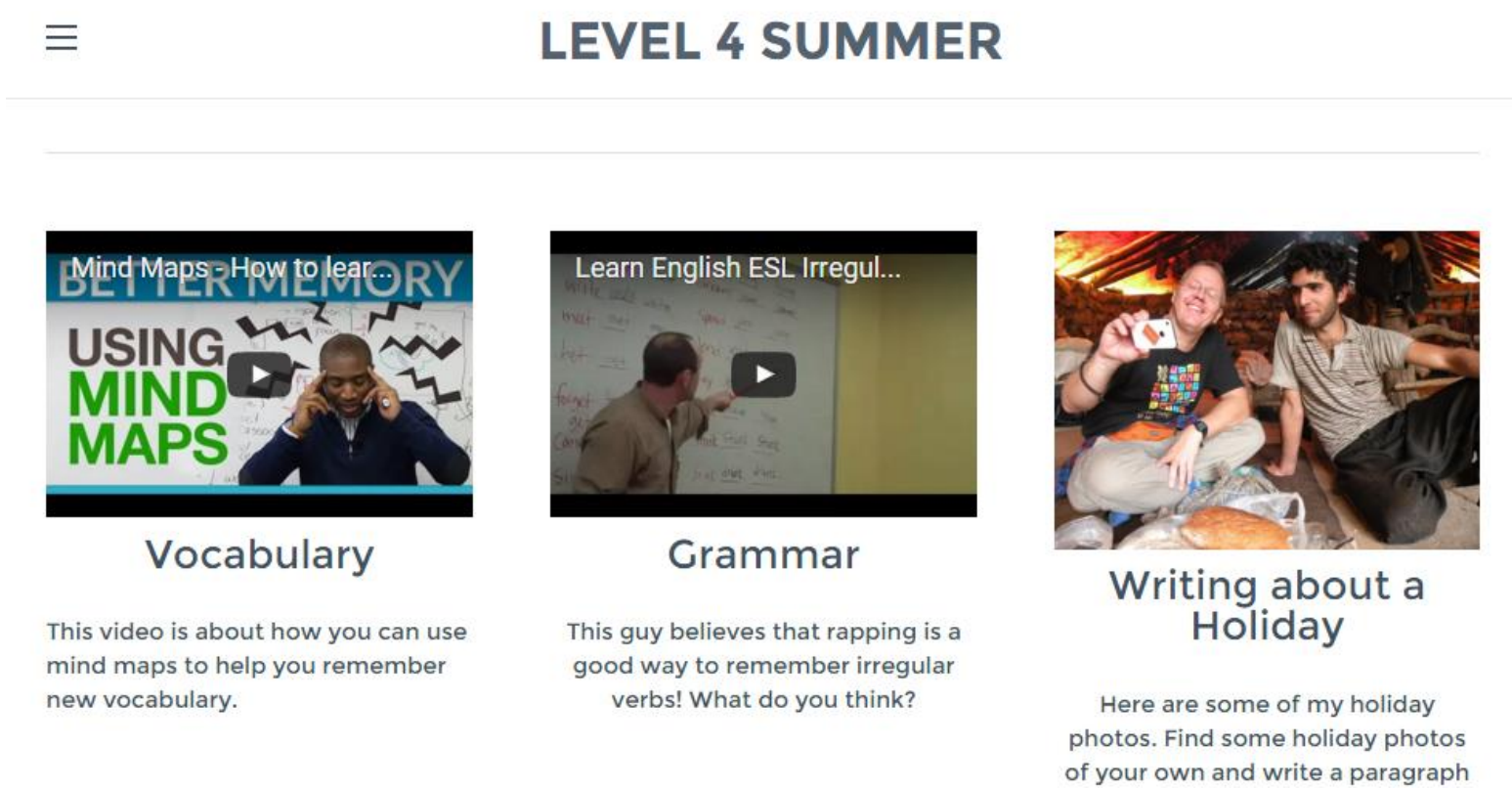


Add **Captions** & **Links** to your Slideshow



Videos and Slideshows are ready to go!

Similar web page can be found here



Layout Issues

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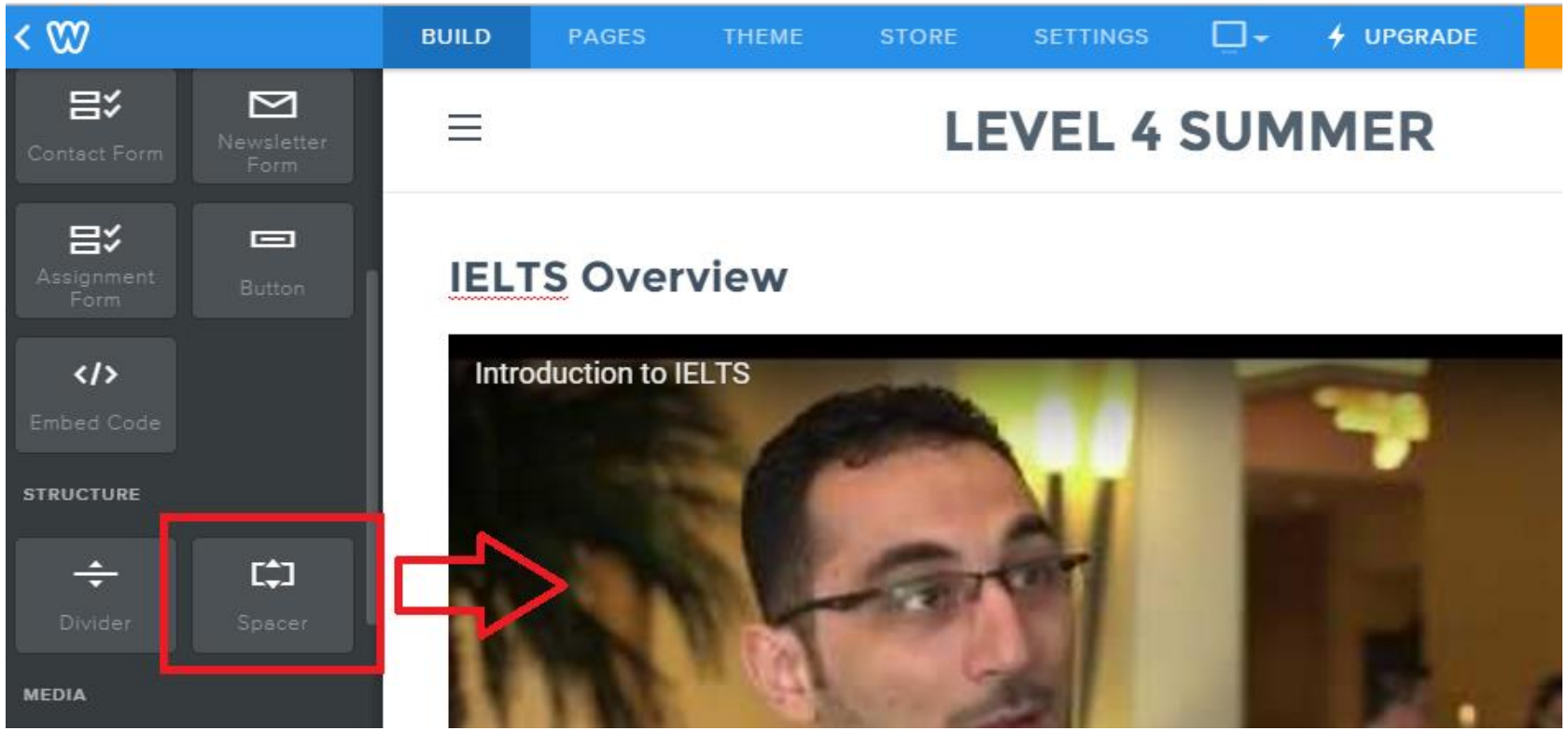
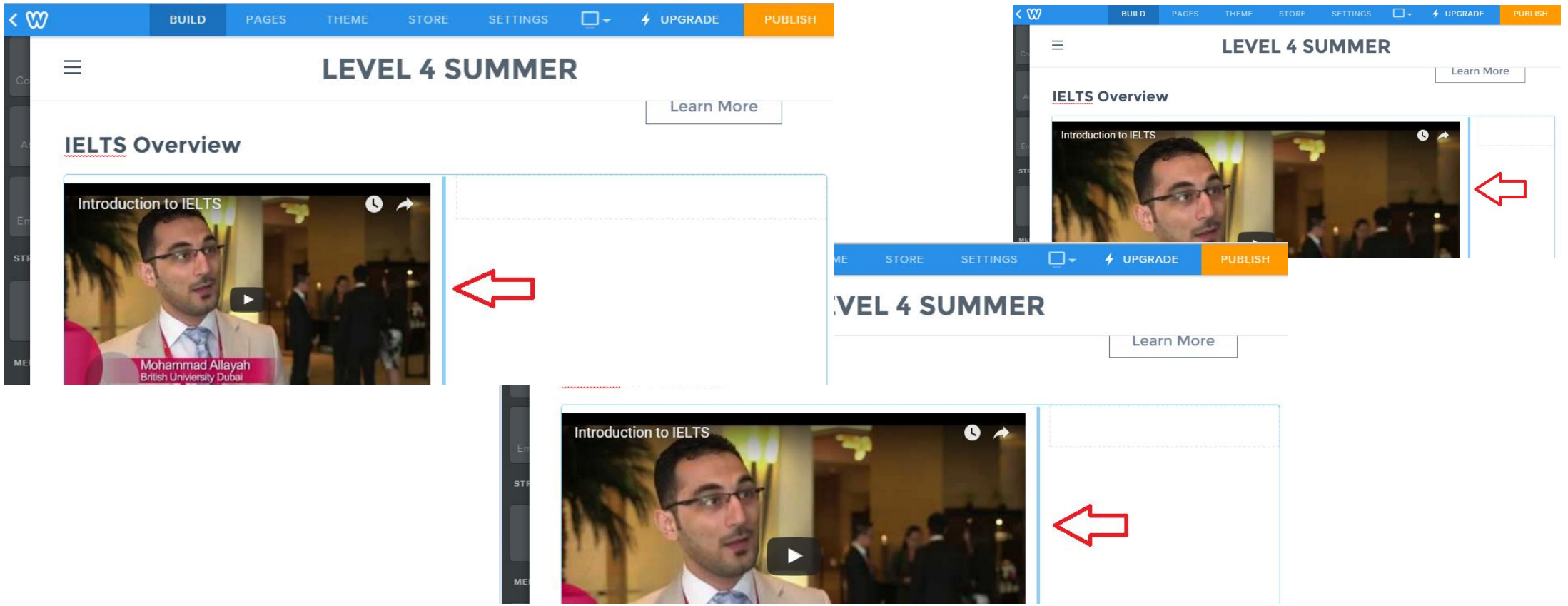
Using the **Spacer** to resize elements



Drag the **Spacer** line to resize your element (spacer creates empty space)



Collecting Assignments & Projects

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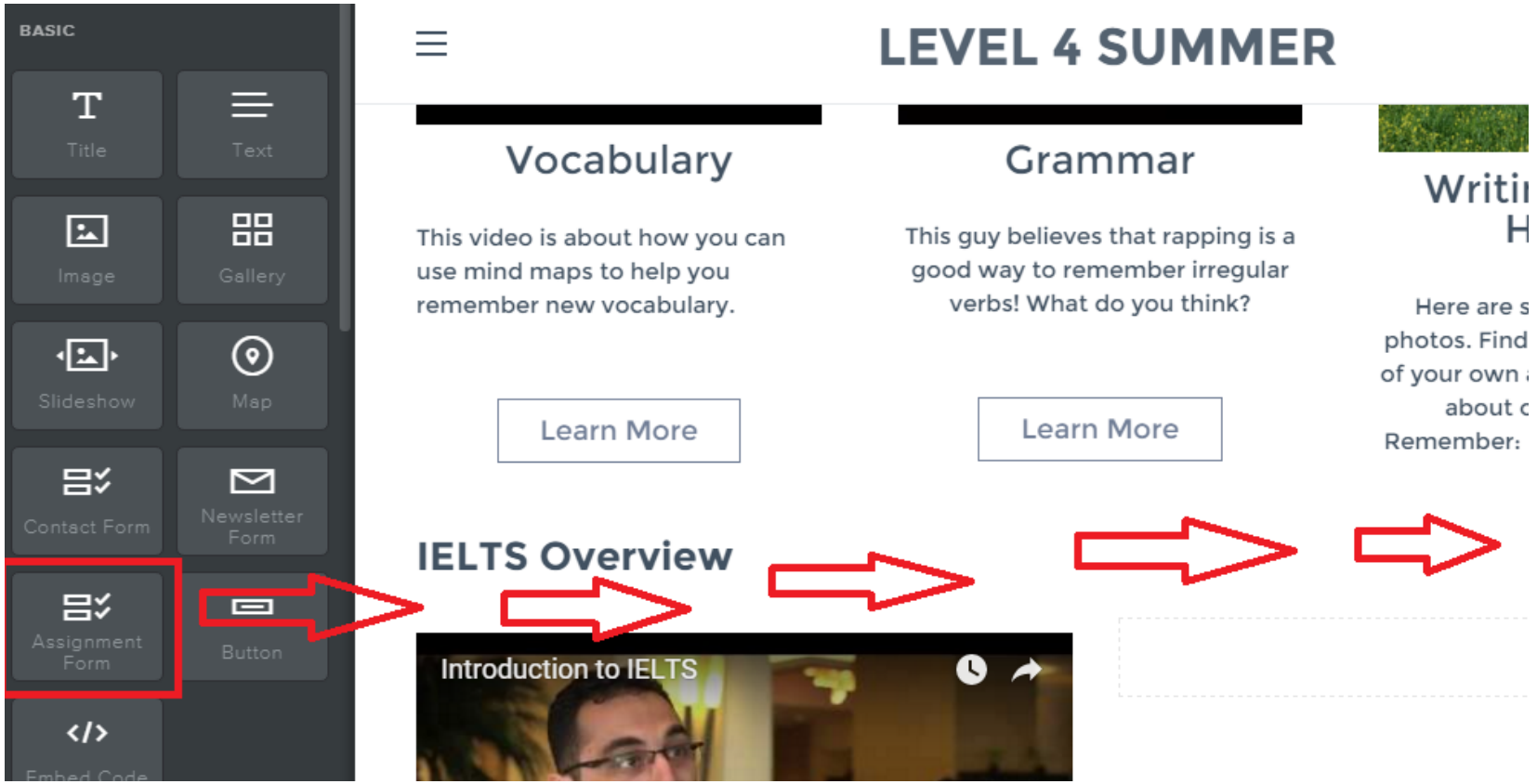
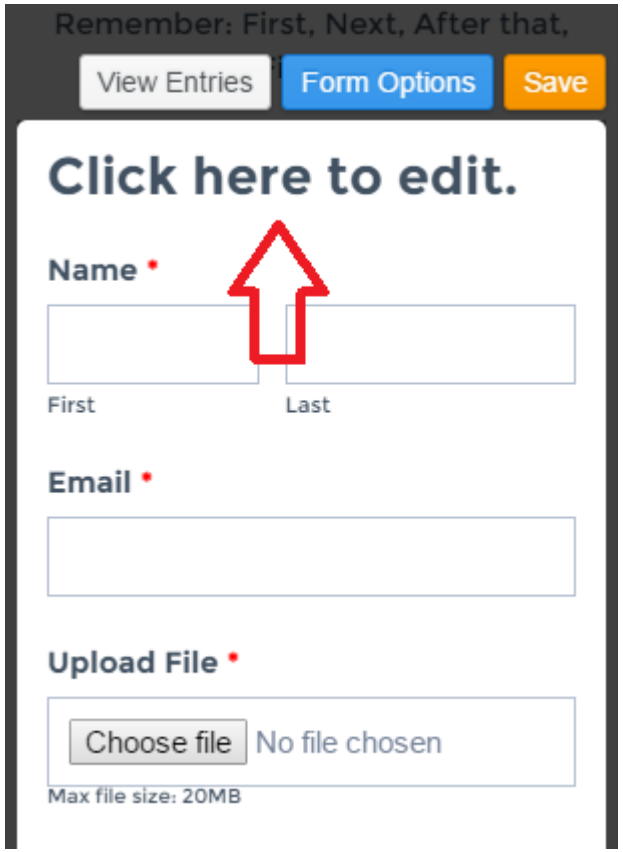
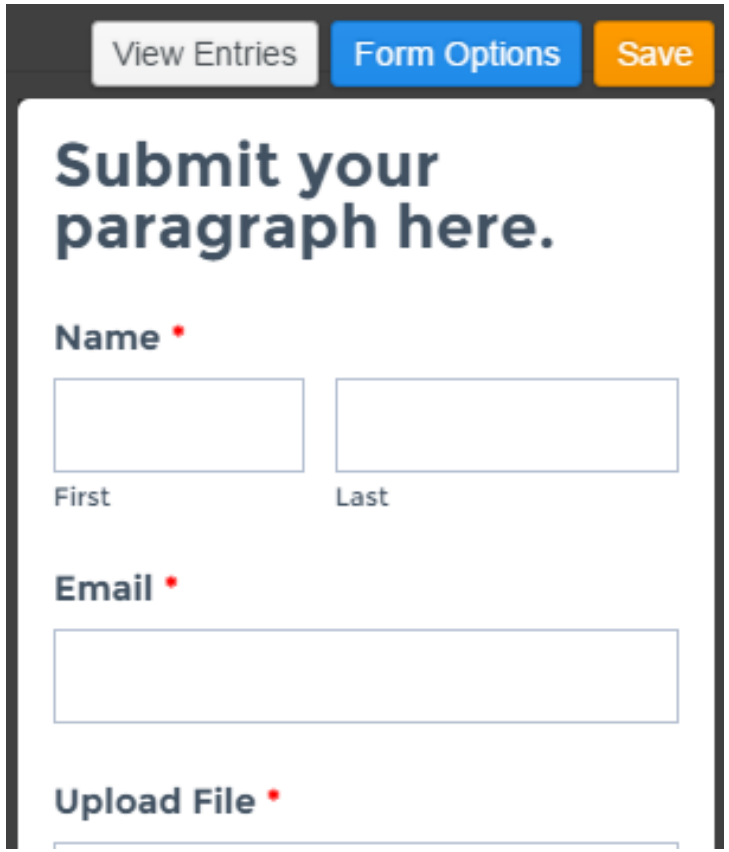
Use the **Assignment Form** icon to collect student work

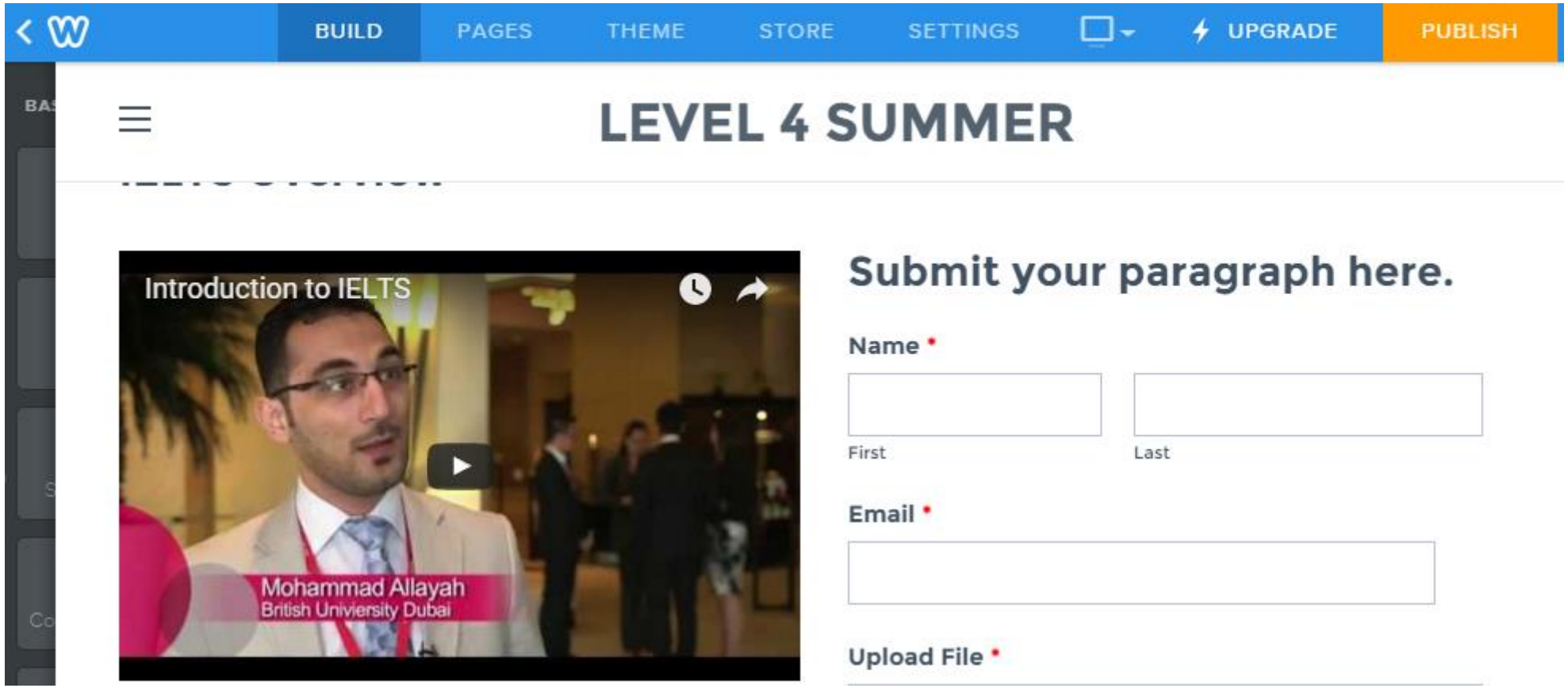


Edit the **Assignment Form** to suit your needs





Students can submit files up to 20 MB (PC and iPad)



Set Up Websites for Your Students!

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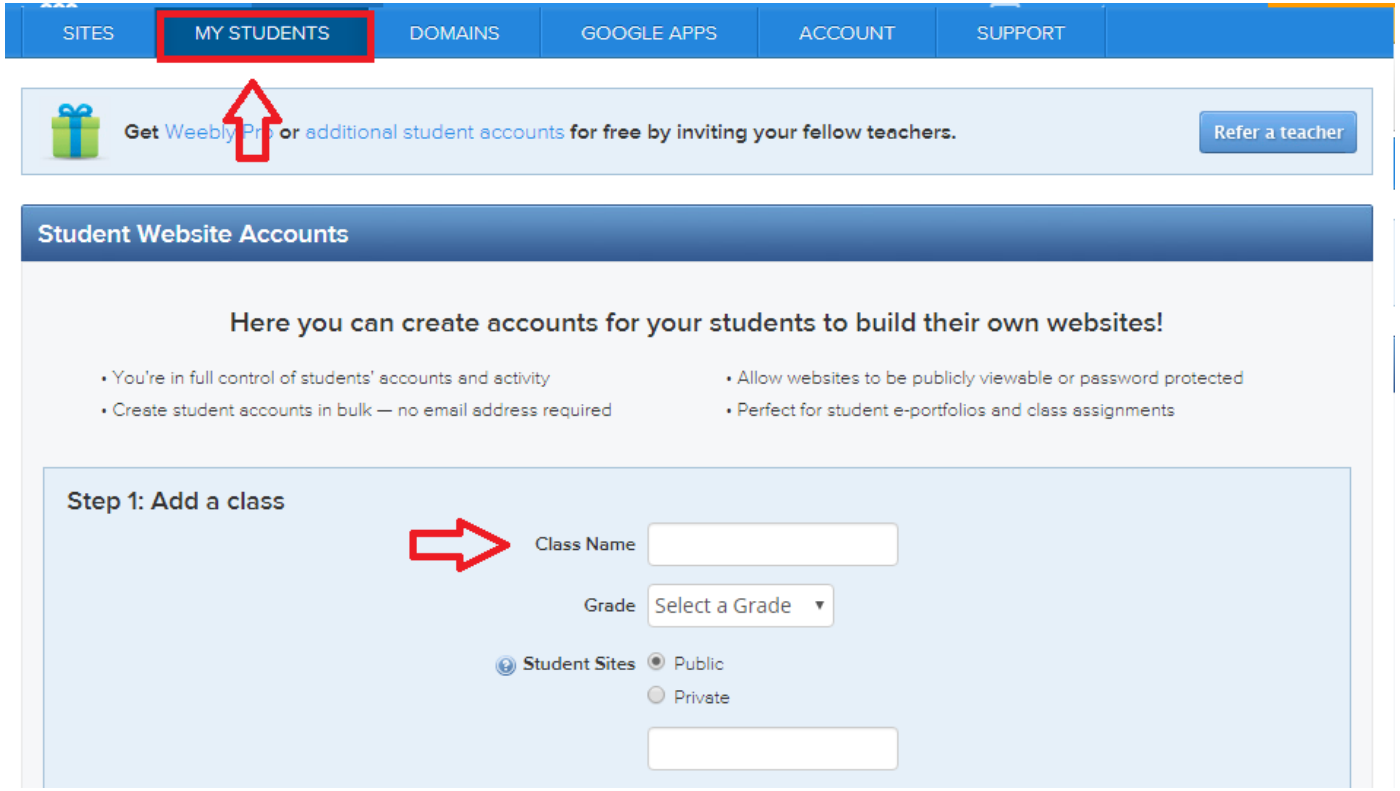
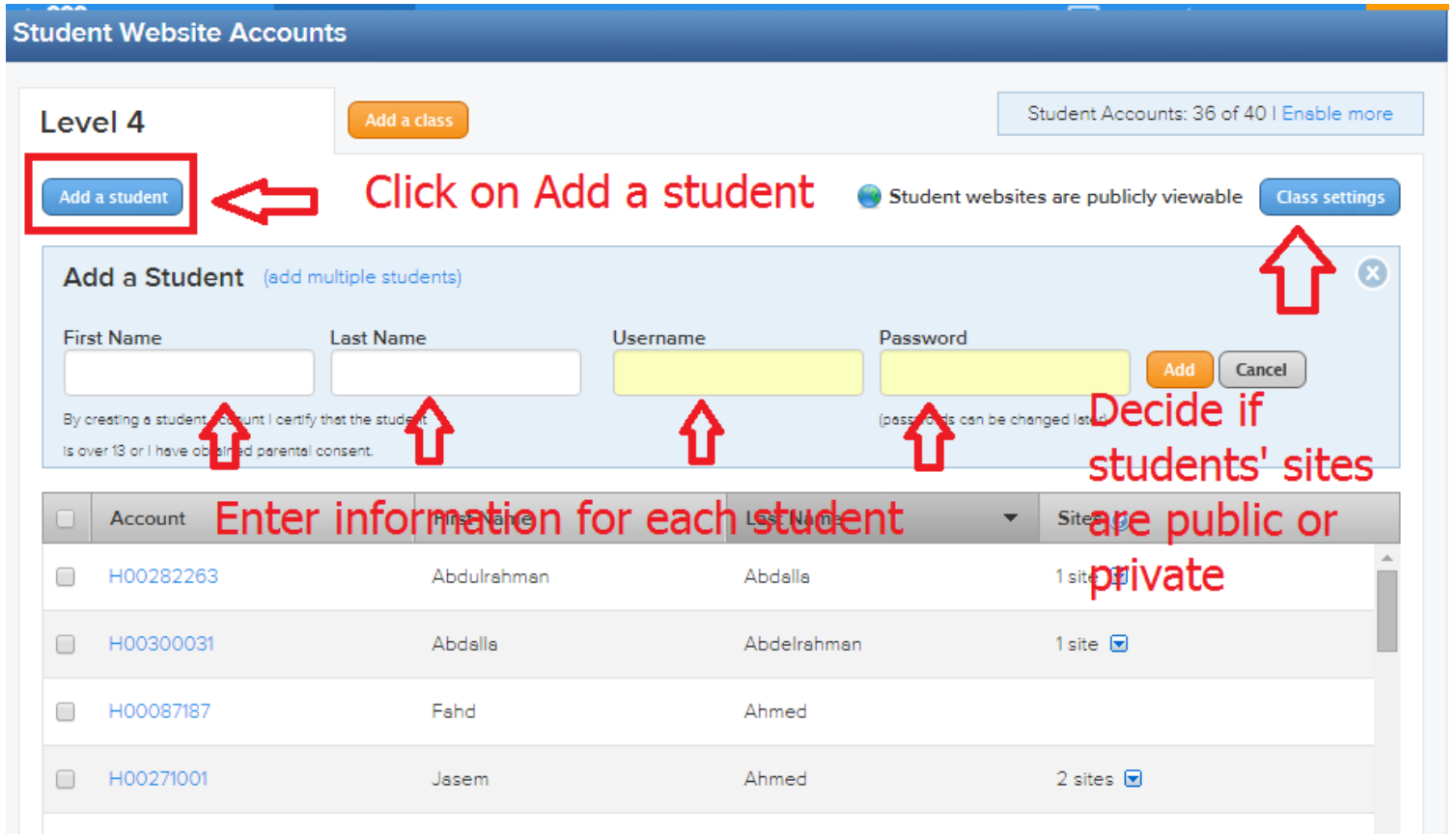
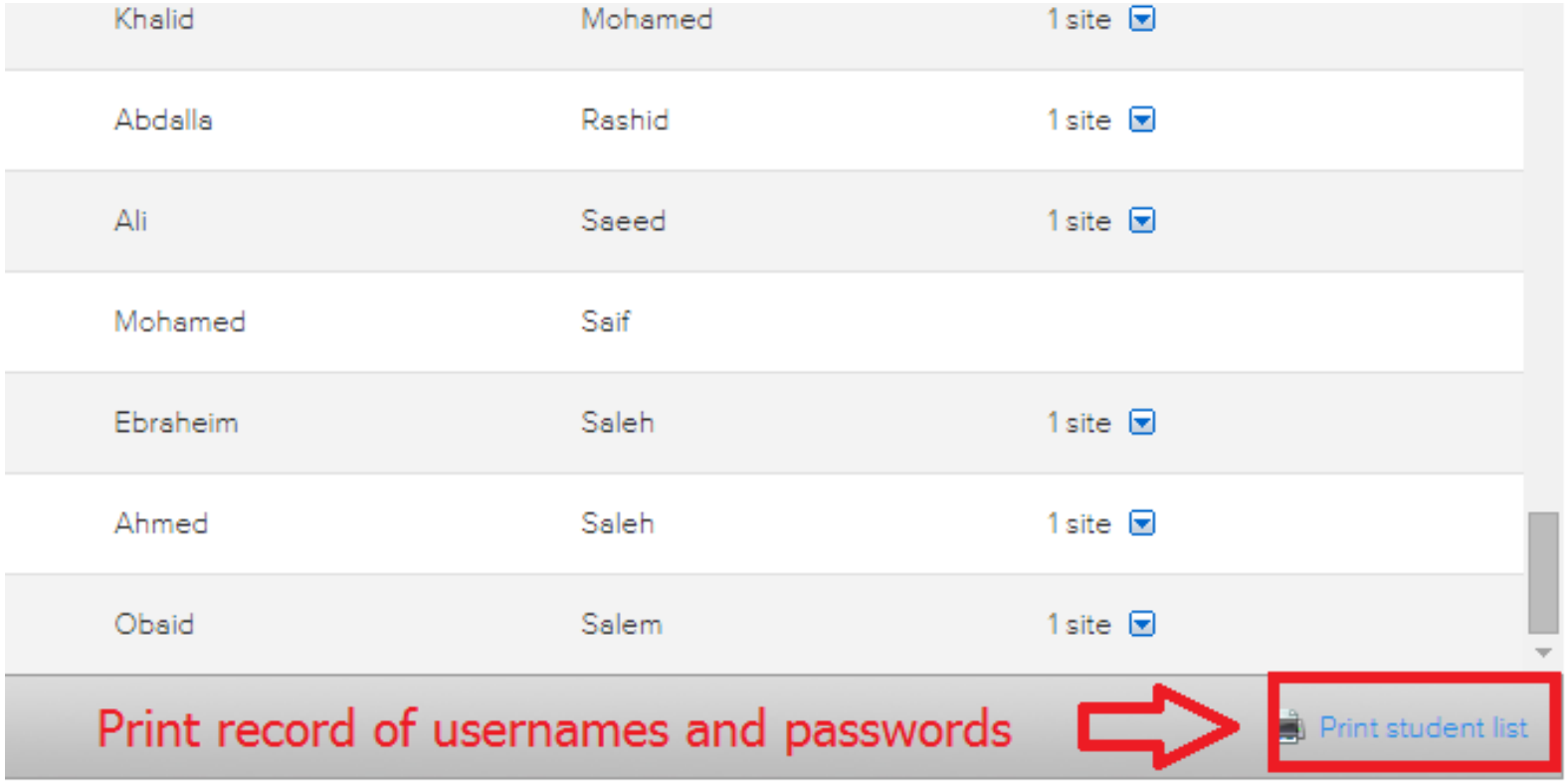
First, click on **My Students** tab to create a class



Next, add students and decide if sites are public or private (no email needed)



Finally, print usernames & passwords for your record



THANK YOU

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