How to create a landing page in Schoology using Google Drawings

This guide shows you how to create a landing page in Schoology by designing it in Google Drawings, linking each button to your course materials, and embedding it in a Schoology page. You can also post the landing page in Schoology Updates and add a Home button for navigating back. A Google Drawings landing page is larger and more customizable than one built in Google Slides, which gives a smaller display area.

Prerequisites

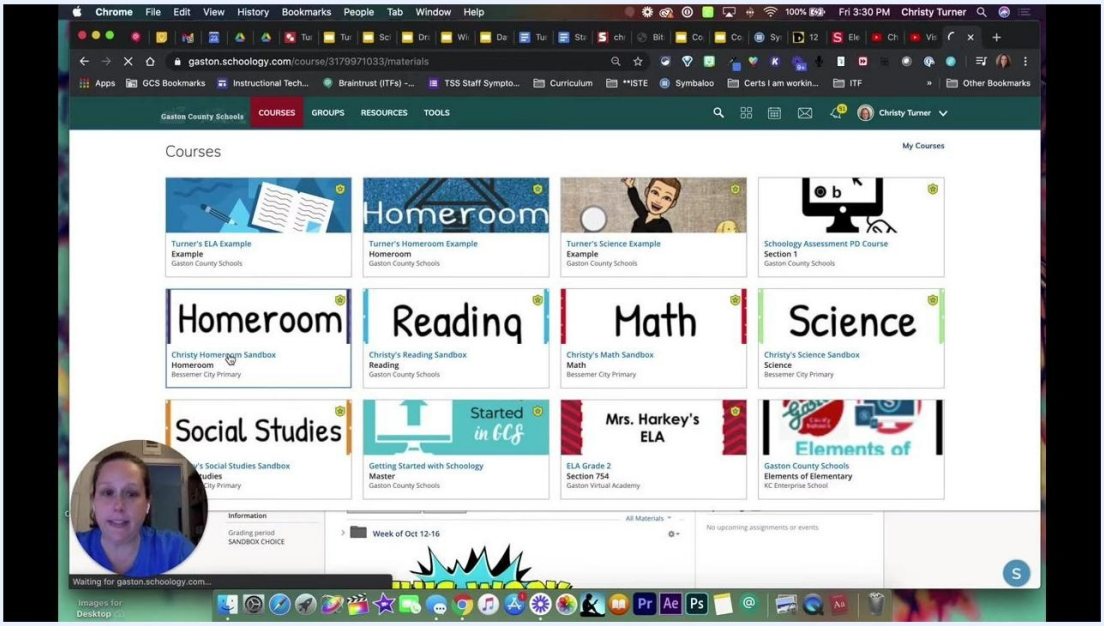
Before you begin, make sure you have:

- A Schoology course where you want to add or update the landing page.
- A Google Drawings file (for example, "Turner Landing Drawing") with your layout ready.
- Labeled buttons for each day or activity.
- Word Art for your button text, so the text appears as an image that you can hyperlink.

Create the landing page in Google Drawings

Step 1. Open your Schoology courses

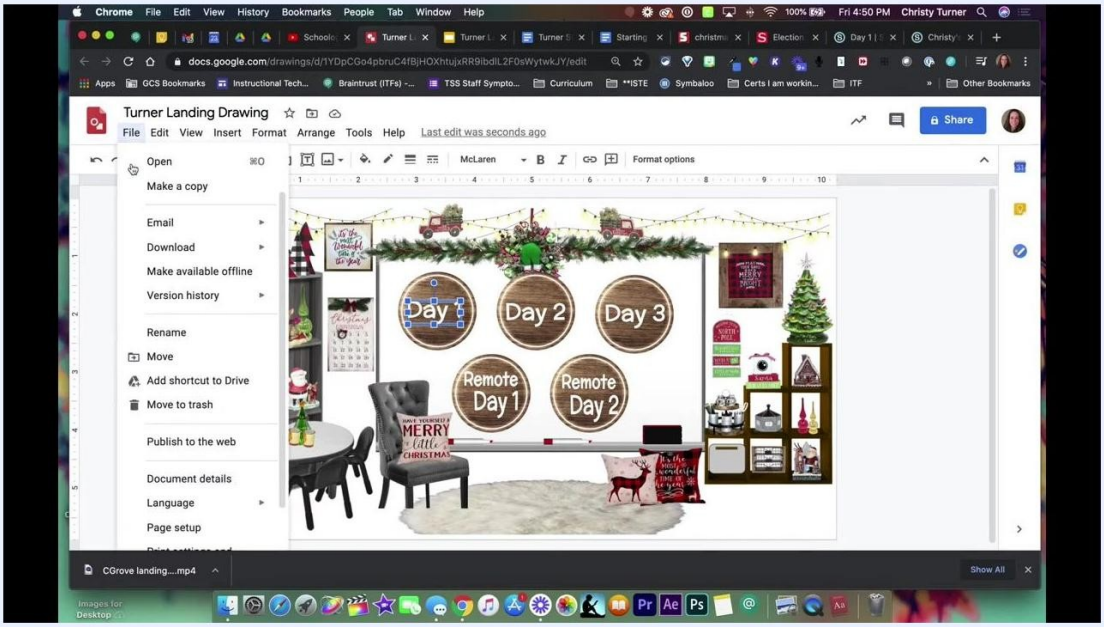
Open Schoology and view your list of courses. Identify the course where you want to add or update the landing page.



Schoology dashboard listing several courses, including ELA, Homeroom, Science, Reading, Math, and Social Studies

Step 2. Open your landing page in Google Drawings

Open your Google Drawings file. Confirm that your layout is ready, with a labeled button for each day or activity. Use Word Art for the text so it behaves like an image that you can hyperlink.



Google Drawings editor showing a classroom-themed landing page with circular day and remote-session buttons and Word Art text selected

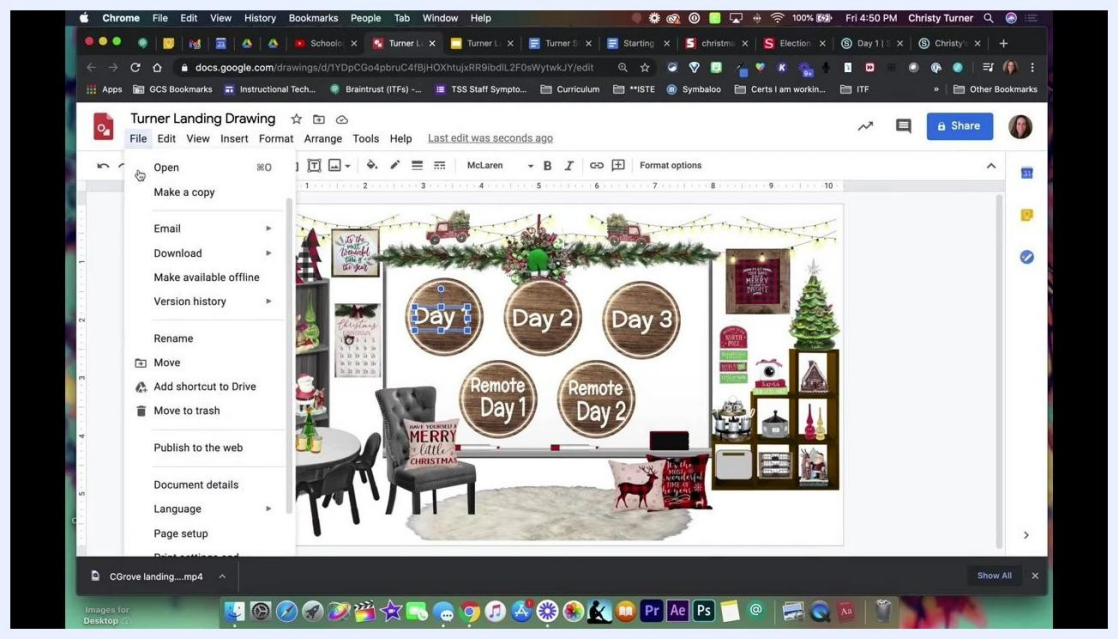
Step 3. Set the page to widescreen (optional)

In Google Drawings, go to **File > Page setup** and change the aspect ratio to widescreen if you want. This helps the landing page fit well when you embed or link it.

Link course materials to your buttons

Step 4. Copy the URL of a Schoology folder

In Schoology, go to the folder or material you want to link from your landing page. Click the folder (for example, "Day 1") to open it, then copy the URL from the browser's address bar.



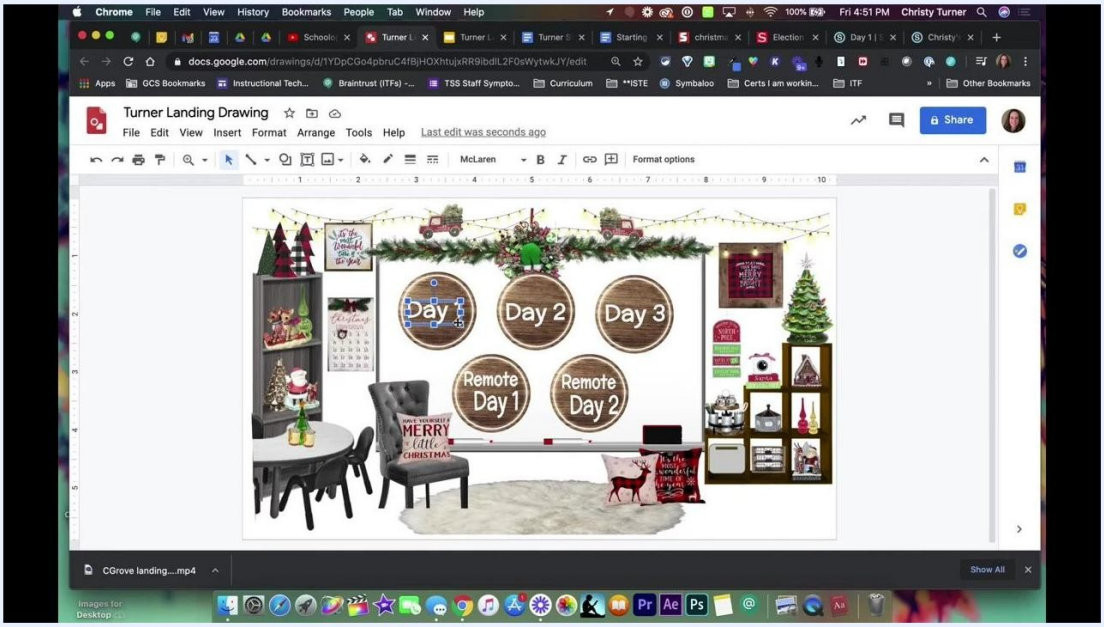
Schoology course folder "Day 1" open, showing a "Phases of Moon" video resource and a learning objective

Step 5. Link the first button in Google Drawings

Return to your Google Drawings landing page and select the Word Art or shape you want to hyperlink (for example, "Day 1"). Then follow these steps:

1. Click the **Insert link** icon, or press Ctrl+K (Cmd+K on Mac).
2. Paste the copied Schoology URL.

3. Click **Apply**.



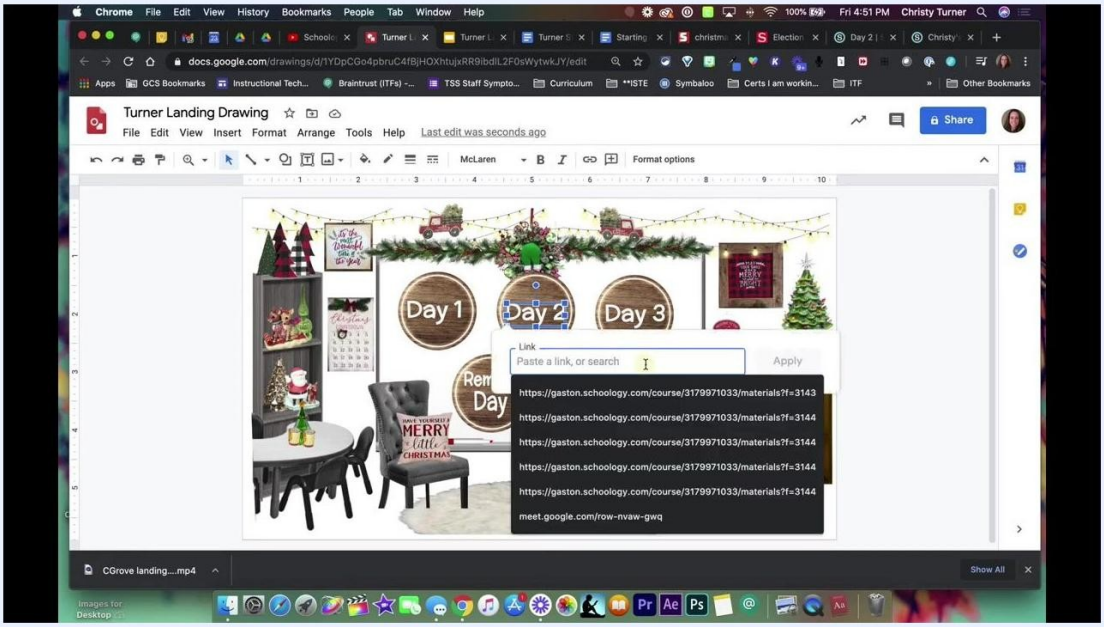
Google Drawings editor with the "Day 1" Word Art selected, ready for a hyperlink

Step 6. Link the remaining buttons

Repeat the process for each additional button, such as "Day 2":

1. Open the matching folder or material in Schoology.
2. Copy the URL from the browser's address bar.
3. Return to your Google Drawings landing page and select the Word Art or shape for that button.
4. Click the **Insert link** icon or press Ctrl+K (Cmd+K on Mac).
5. Paste the URL and click **Apply**.

Repeat this for every button you want to link.



Google Drawings editor with the "Day 2" button selected and the link box open with Schoology URLs available

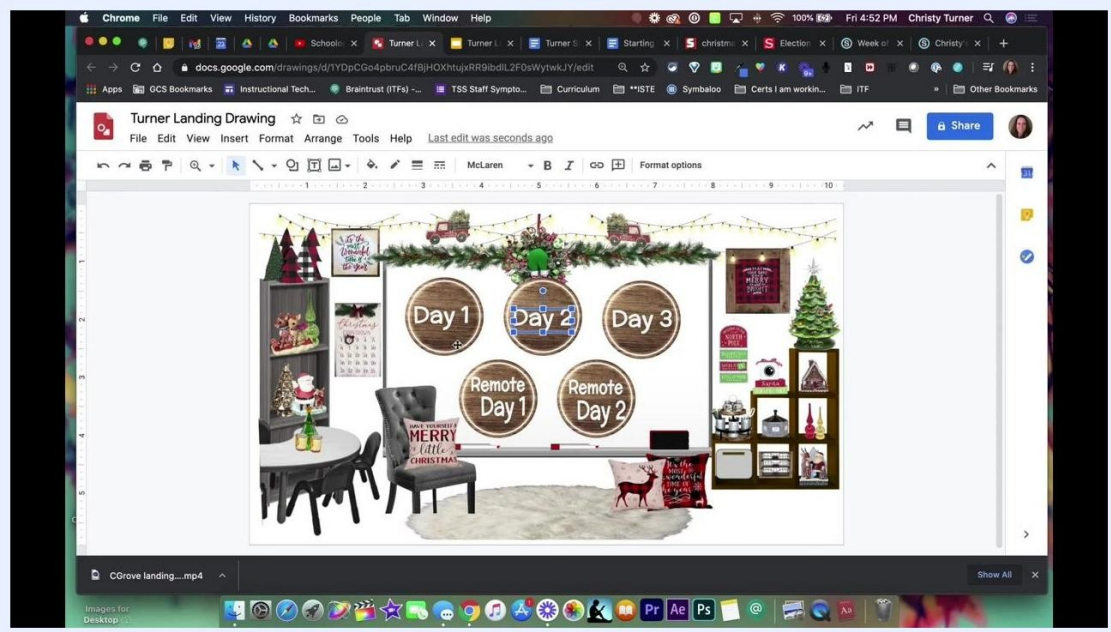
Step 7. Verify all links

Check that each button points to the correct Schoology folder or activity. Links can point to any resource, including folders, assignments, or even different courses. Always use the exact URL from Schoology for each button.

Embed the landing page in Schoology

Step 8. Add a new page to your course

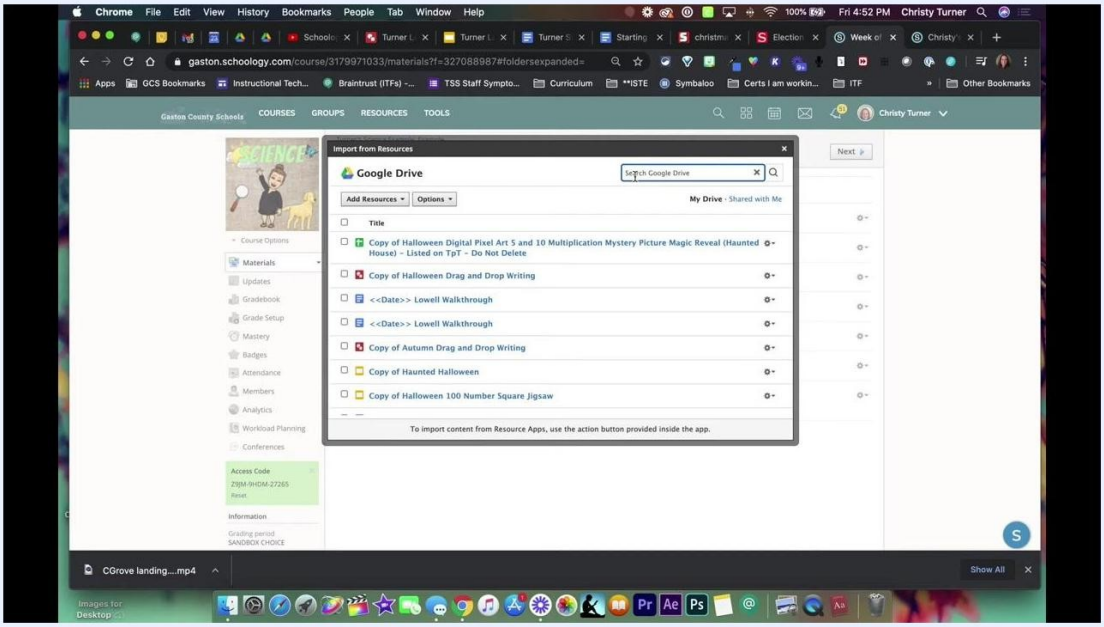
With all links set, open your Schoology course. Click **Add Materials** and select **Add Page**. In the page dialog, enter a title such as "Landing page."



Schoology Add Page dialog with "Landing page" entered as the Page Title and the rich text editor visible

Step 9. Insert the Google Drawings file

In the page editor, click **Insert Content** and choose **Google Drive Resource App**. Search for your Google Drawings file by name or browse your drive, then select your landing page drawing from the list.



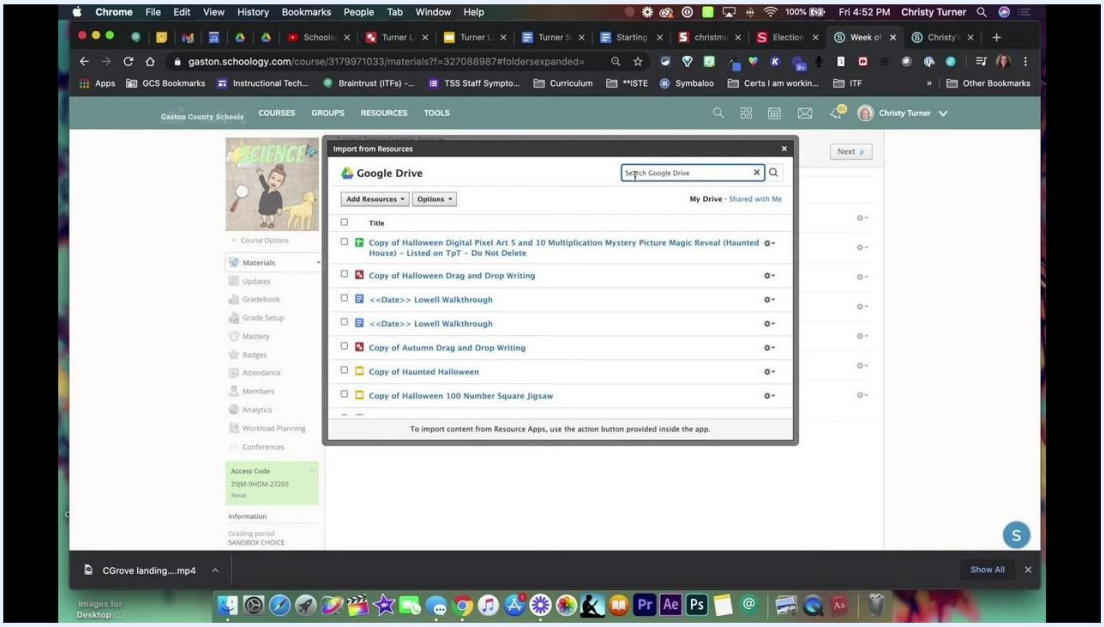
Schoology Google Drive Resource App showing a list of Google Drive files to choose from

Step 10. Resize the embedded drawing

The embedded drawing may appear small by default. Resize it so your landing page displays at a usable size:

1. Click the embedded image to select it. It turns blue.
2. Click the **Edit** or **Insert/Edit Embedded Media** button.
3. In the **Dimensions** field, change the width to 900 or 1000 (for example, 1000 x 563).
4. Make sure **Constrain proportions** is checked so the image scales properly.

5. Click **Insert**.



Schoology Insert/Edit Embedded Media dialog showing the Google Drawings URL, dimensions set to 1000 x 563, and a landing page preview

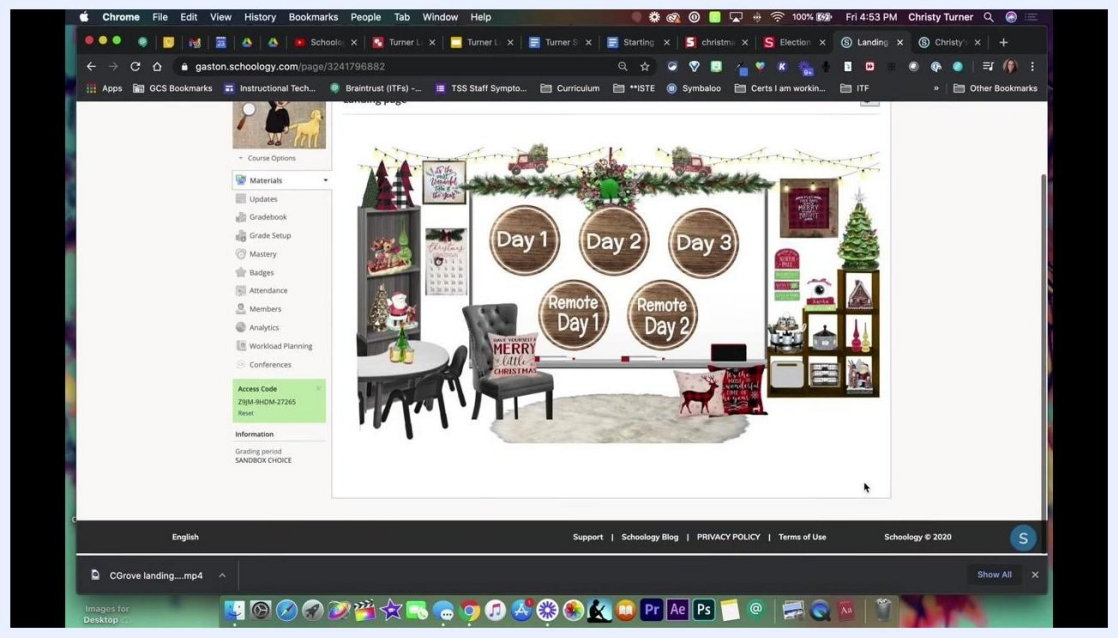
Step 11. Create and manage the page

Click **Create** to add the page to your course. The landing page now appears in your course materials list. If you don't want students to see it right away, you can unpublish it. Click the page to preview how it appears to users.

Share the landing page in Updates

Step 12. Copy the landing page image

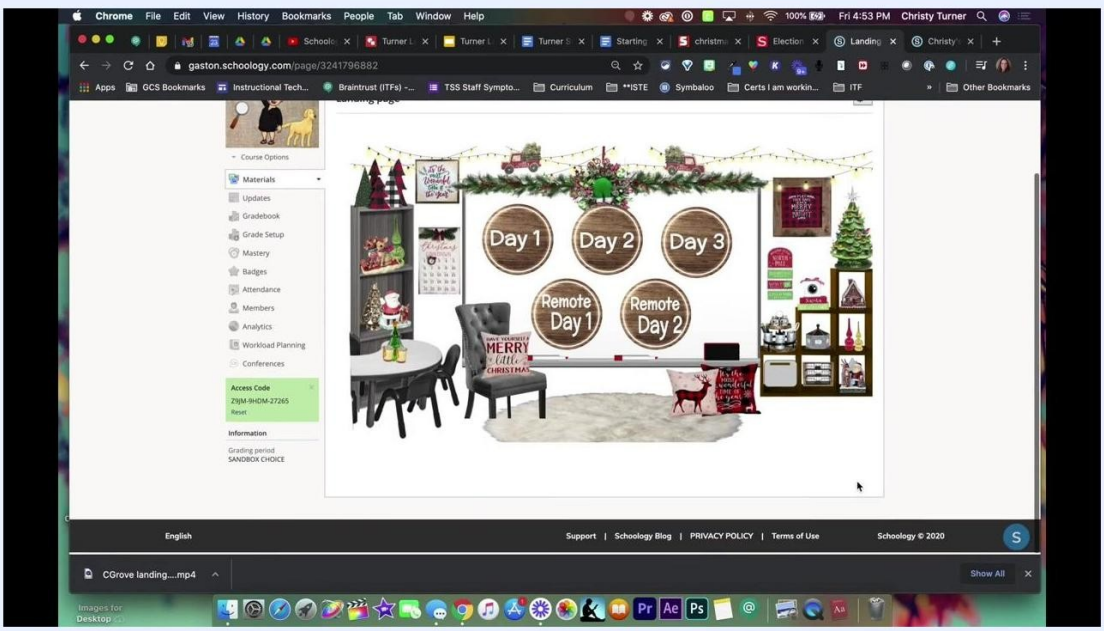
Open your landing page in Schoology. Click and drag your cursor over the white space of the landing page to highlight the image. Proceed even if it looks like not everything is highlighted. Press Ctrl+C (Windows) or Cmd+C (Mac) to copy it.



Schoology landing page with the cursor highlighting the interactive area, ready to copy

Step 13. Paste the landing page into an update

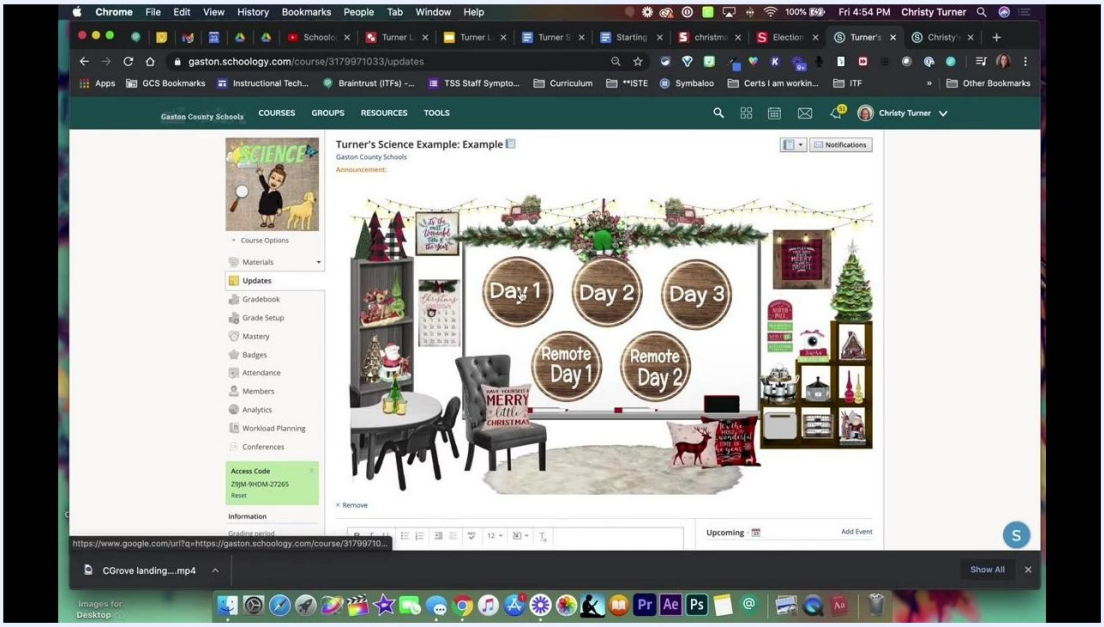
Click **Updates** in the left sidebar of your Schoology course, then click inside the update text box. Press Ctrl+V (Windows) or Cmd+V (Mac) to paste the image. It appears at its original size in the update box. Click **Post** to publish.



Schoology Updates section with the landing page image pasted into the update box and the Post button highlighted

Step 14. Verify the links in the update

After posting, check that the landing page image displays at full width. Click an interactive button (for example, "Day 1") to confirm it opens the correct Schoology folder or activity.



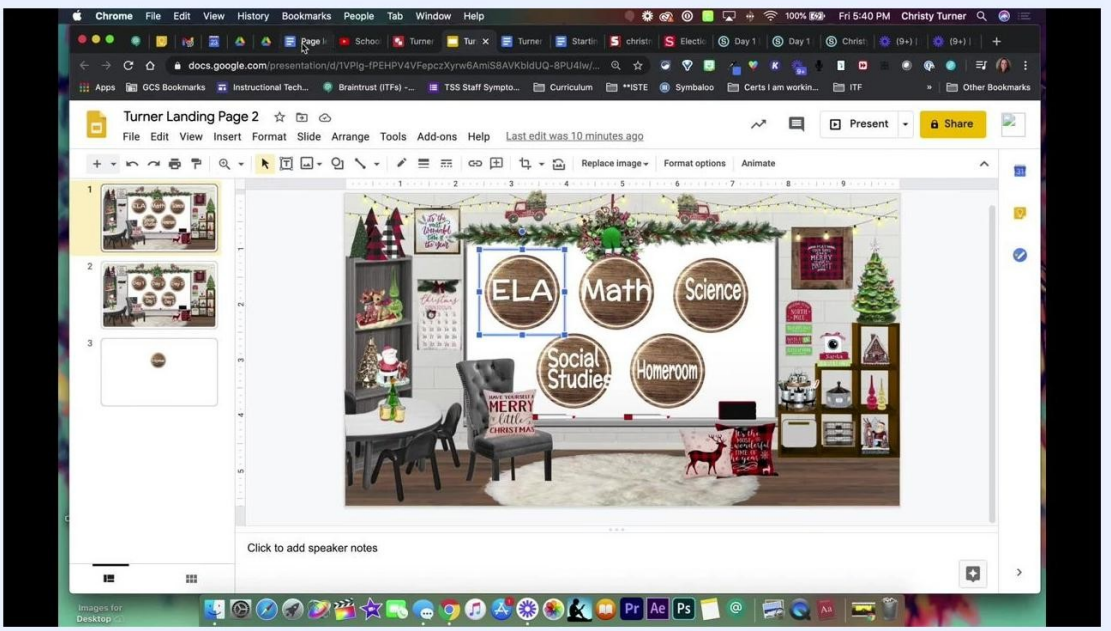
Schoology Updates feed showing the posted landing page image with its interactive buttons

Add a Home navigation button

A Home button lets users return to the landing page from other sections of your course.

Step 15. Copy the Home button graphic

Open the Google Slides or Google Drawings file that contains your landing page buttons. Select the "Home" button graphic and press Ctrl+C (Windows) or Cmd+C (Mac).



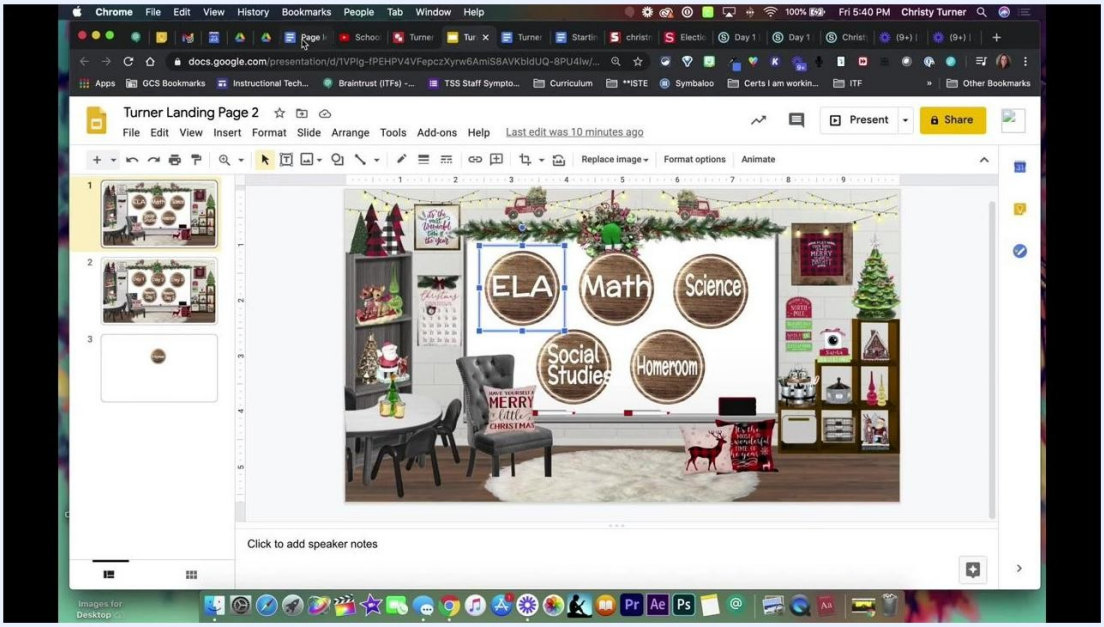
Google Slides with a single "Home" button graphic selected and ready to copy

Step 16. Insert the Home button into a Google Doc

Open the Google Doc where you want the navigation button and place your cursor where it should go. Then follow these steps:

1. Select **Insert > Drawing > + New**.
2. In the drawing dialog, paste the "Home" button graphic.

3. Resize the button as needed for clarity and visibility.

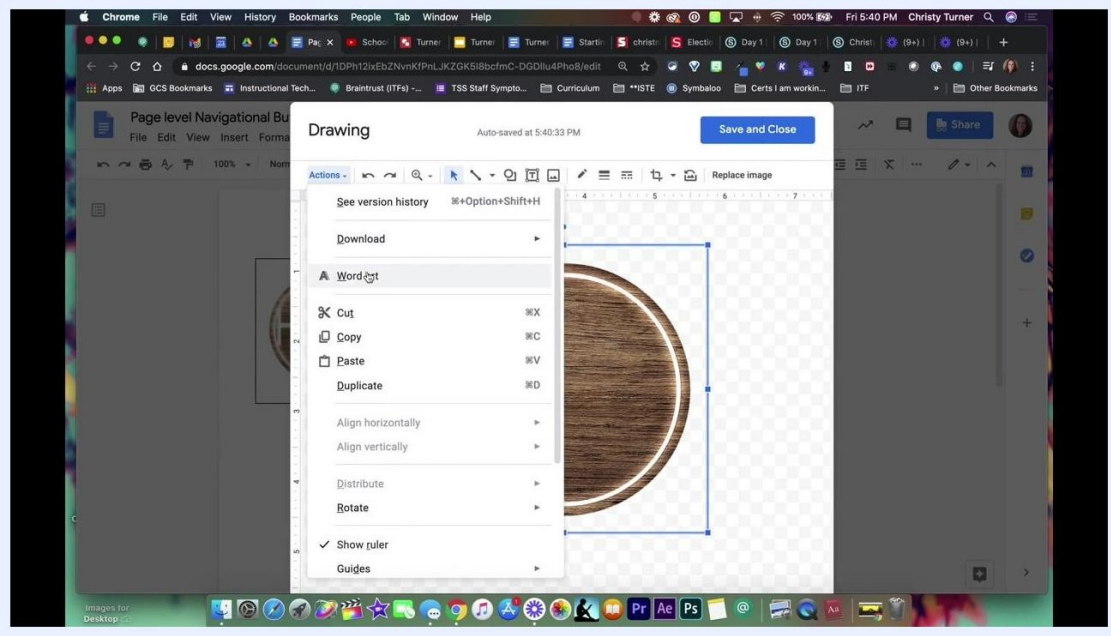


Google Doc with the Insert > Drawing > + New menu open, ready to add a drawing for the Home button

Step 17. Add Word Art to the drawing

With the Drawing dialog open in your Google Doc, right-click inside the drawing canvas, or click the **Actions** menu. Select **Word art**. You can use stylized text to label the Home button or any other navigation element.

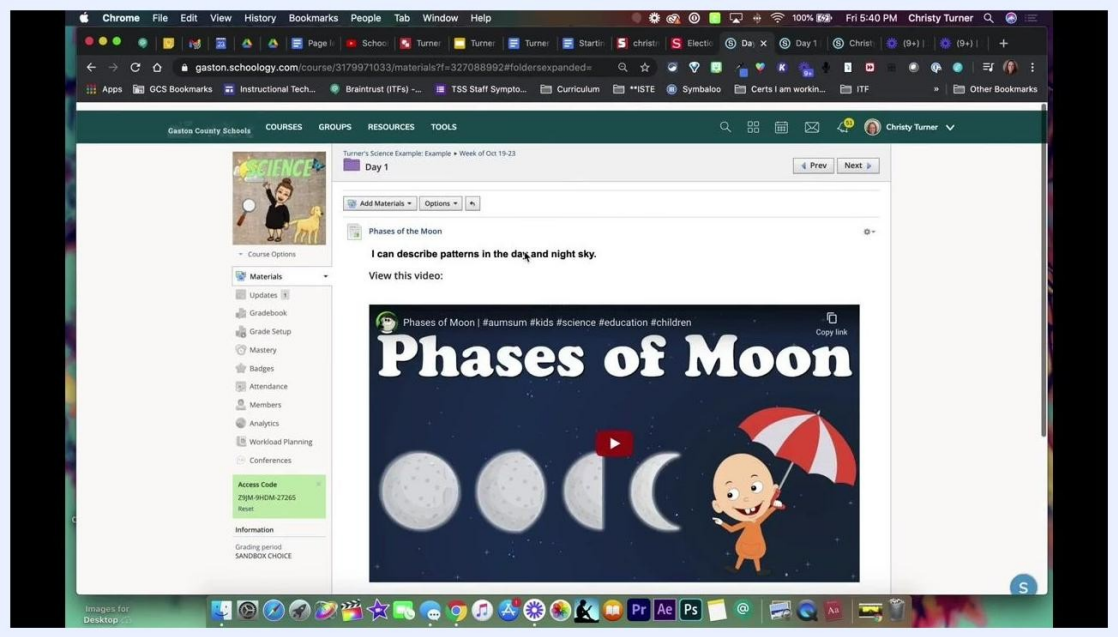
The canvas shows the selected circular wooden button graphic. The **Save and Close** button is at the top right of the dialog.



Google Drawing dialog in Google Docs with the context menu open and Word art highlighted, and a circular button graphic selected

Step 18. Copy the URL of the Schoology page you want as Home

Decide which page in your Schoology course users should land on when they click **Home**. Open that page in your browser (for example, a course page with a lesson called "Phases of the Moon"). Click the address bar to highlight the URL, then right-click and select **Copy**, or press Ctrl+C (Cmd+C on Mac).



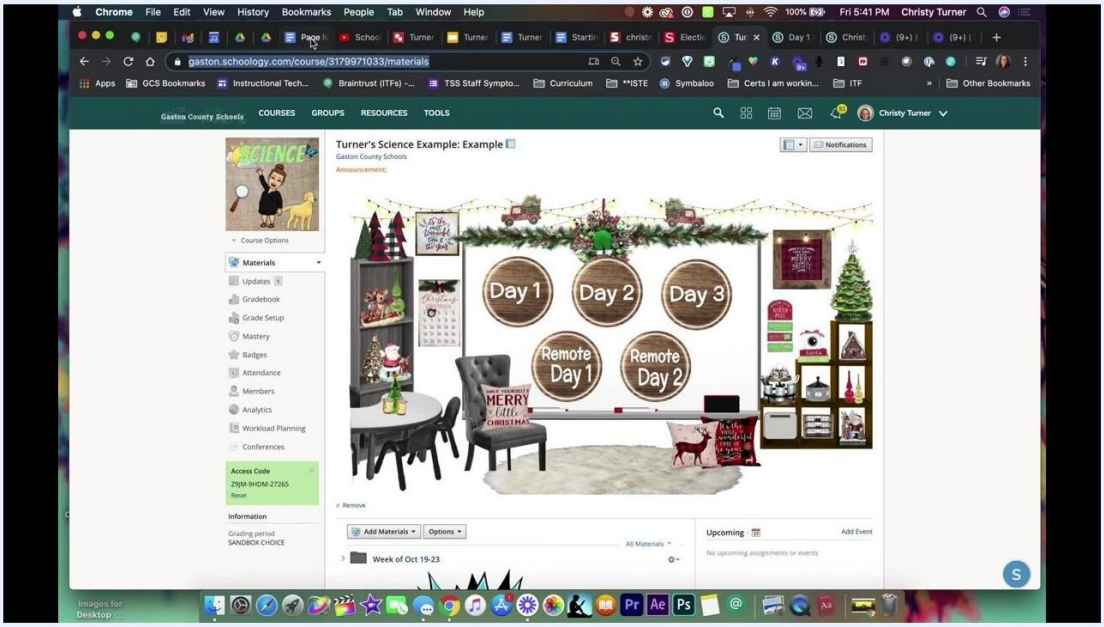
Schoology course page showing a lesson with a "Phases of Moon" YouTube video and a learning objective

Step 19. Link the Home button

Return to your Google Doc with the navigation buttons and click the "Home" button image to select it. Make sure it has a blue border. Then follow these steps:

1. Click the **Insert link** icon (the chain symbol) in the toolbar or just below the image.
2. Paste the copied Schoology URL into the link field.

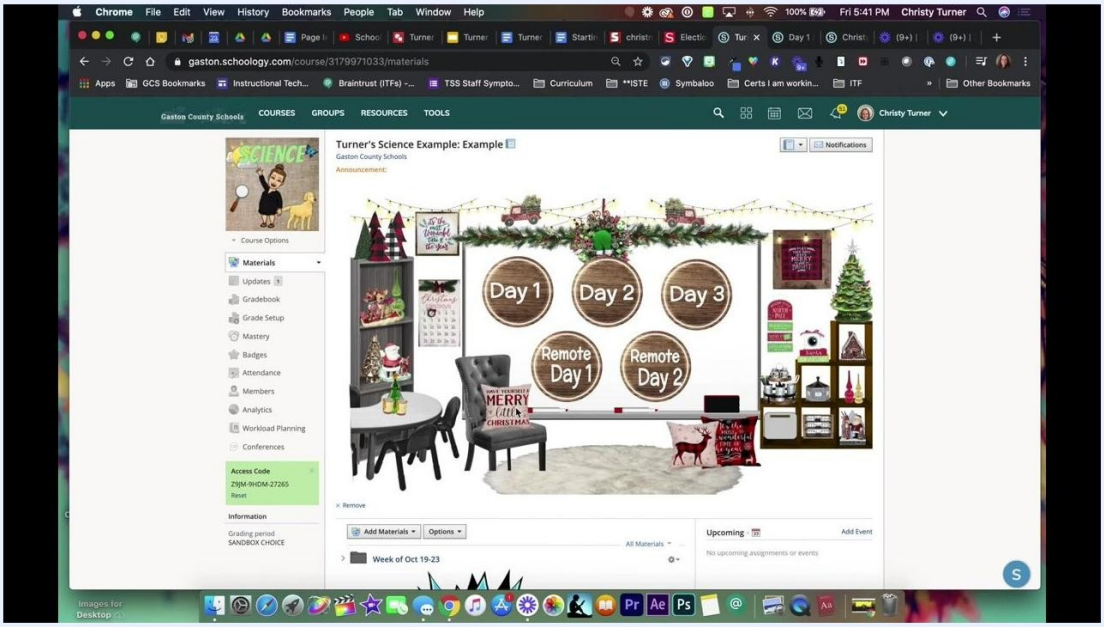
3. Click **Apply**.



Google Doc with the Home button selected and the link field open below it, showing a pasted Schoology URL

Step 20. Save and test the navigation

Save any changes, then click the **Home** button in your Google Doc. Your browser should open the Schoology page you linked. A confirmation message such as "The page has been successfully created" may appear in Schoology.



Schoology page with a green confirmation banner, lesson content, and a YouTube video

Summary

You now know how to create a landing page in Schoology. You designed it in Google Drawings, linked each button to Schoology materials, embedded it in a course page, and resized it. You also posted it in Updates and added a Home button for navigating back to your landing page.

What's next

- Label your Home button with Word Art to make the navigation element clear.
- Link the Home button to the Schoology page you want users to return to.
- Test each button on your landing page after any update to confirm it opens the correct folder or activity.