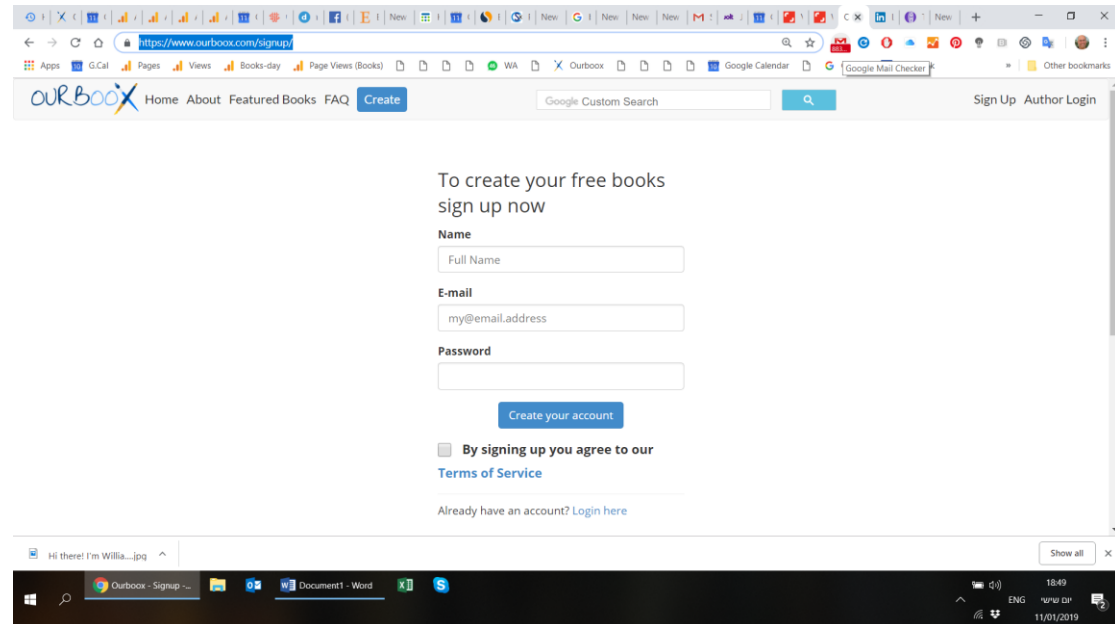


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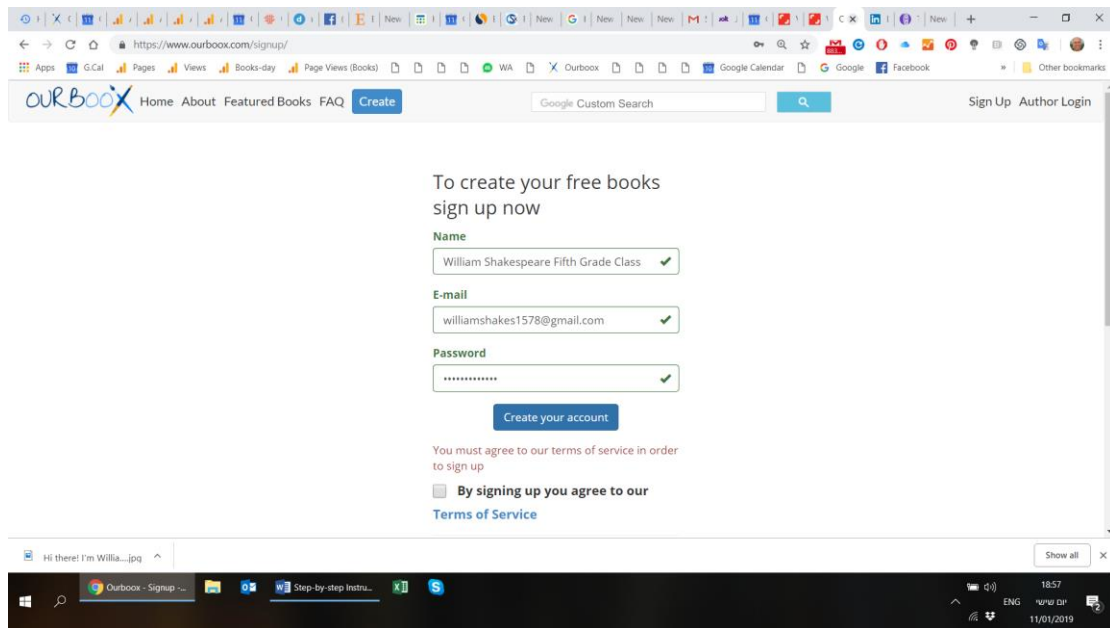
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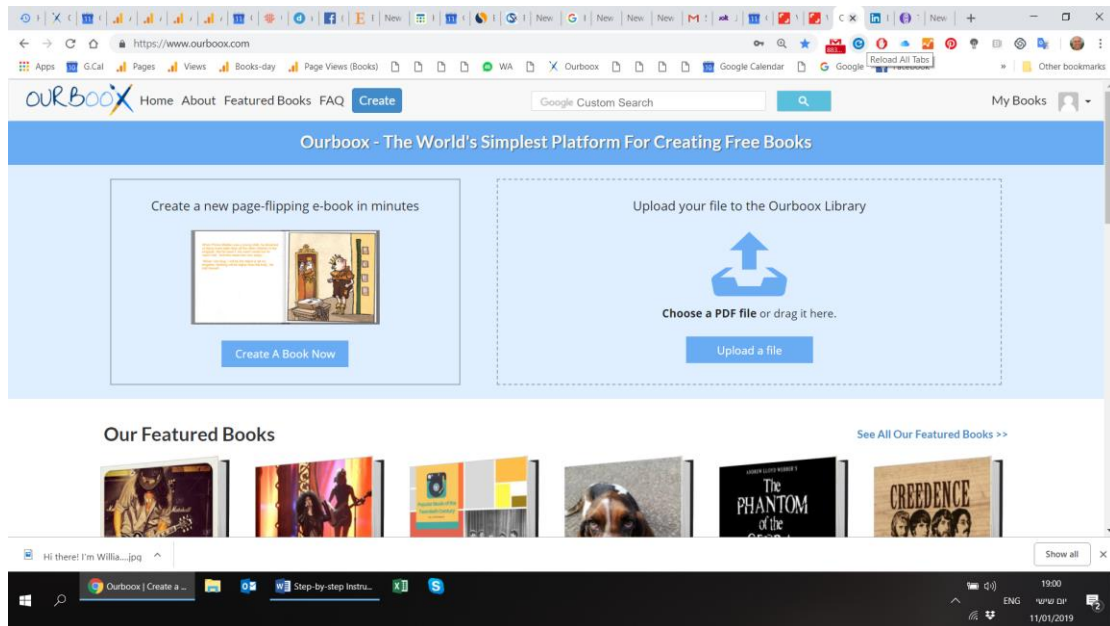
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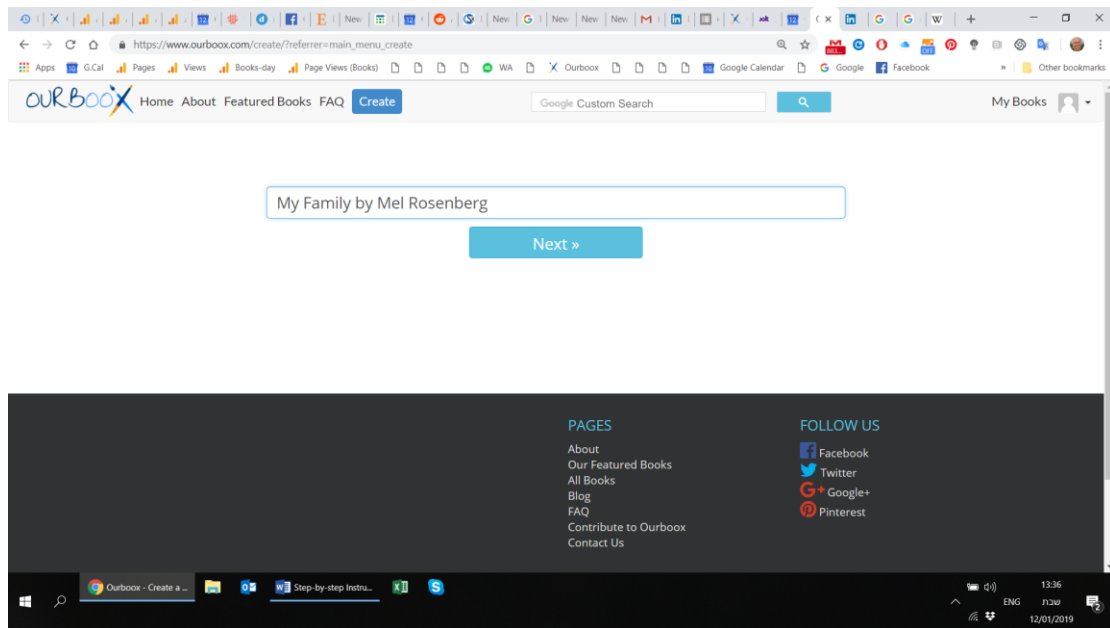


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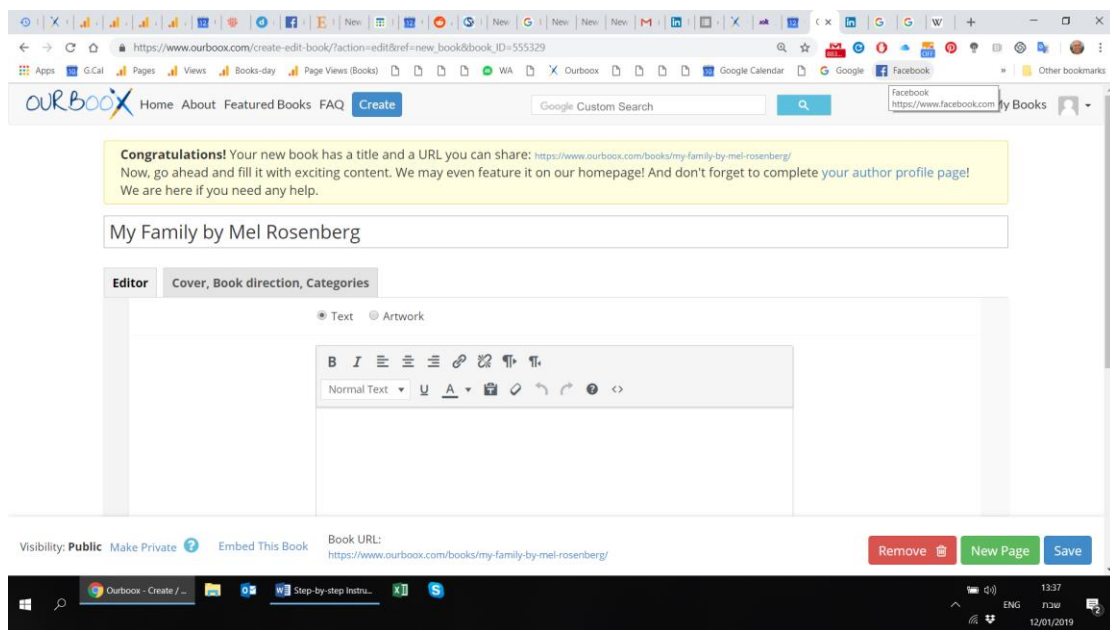
If you have a pdf file you can drag it straight to the box on the right. If you want to create new page-flipping e-book with text, pictures, videos, maps and much more, then click on the “Create a Book Now” tab.



Let’s say you want to create a book about your family. Give the book a name (better in English, you can always change it later). If it’s a class account, make sure that the students writes his/her name in the title.

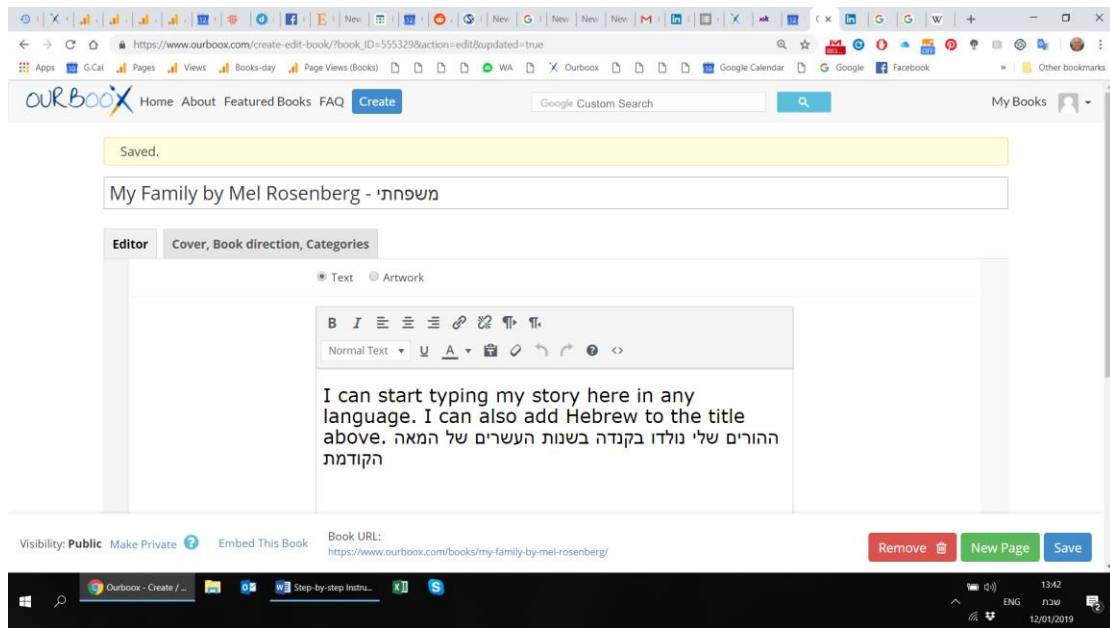


Now I can begin! Notice that there are two tabs – the Editor, which is open by default, and the “Cover, Book Direction , Categories” which we will visit later.

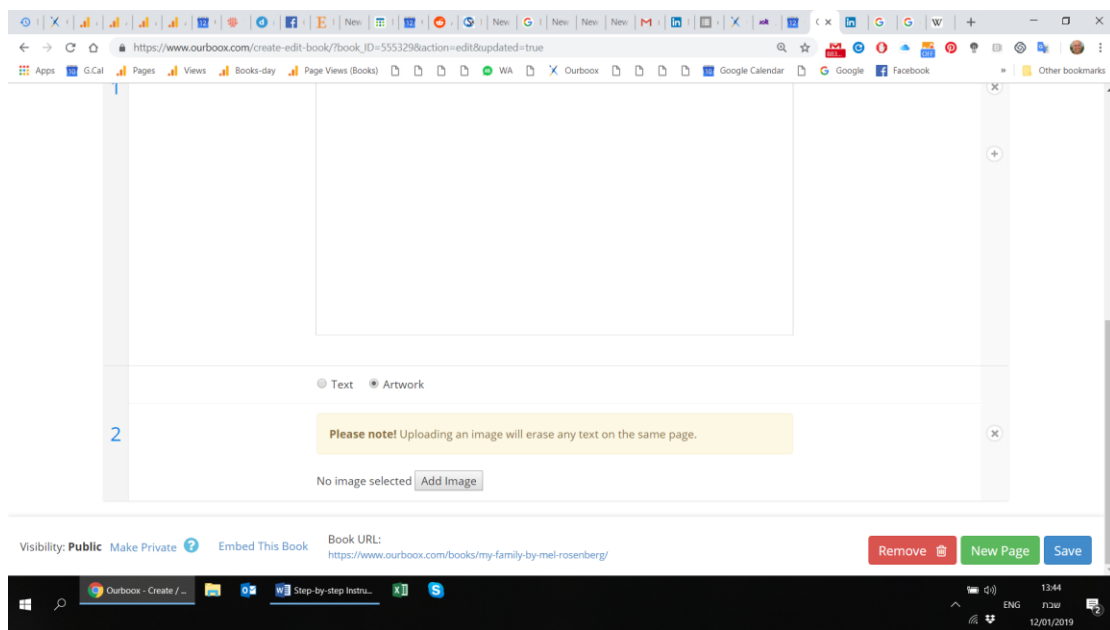


I can change the title, and add text to the first page, in any language.

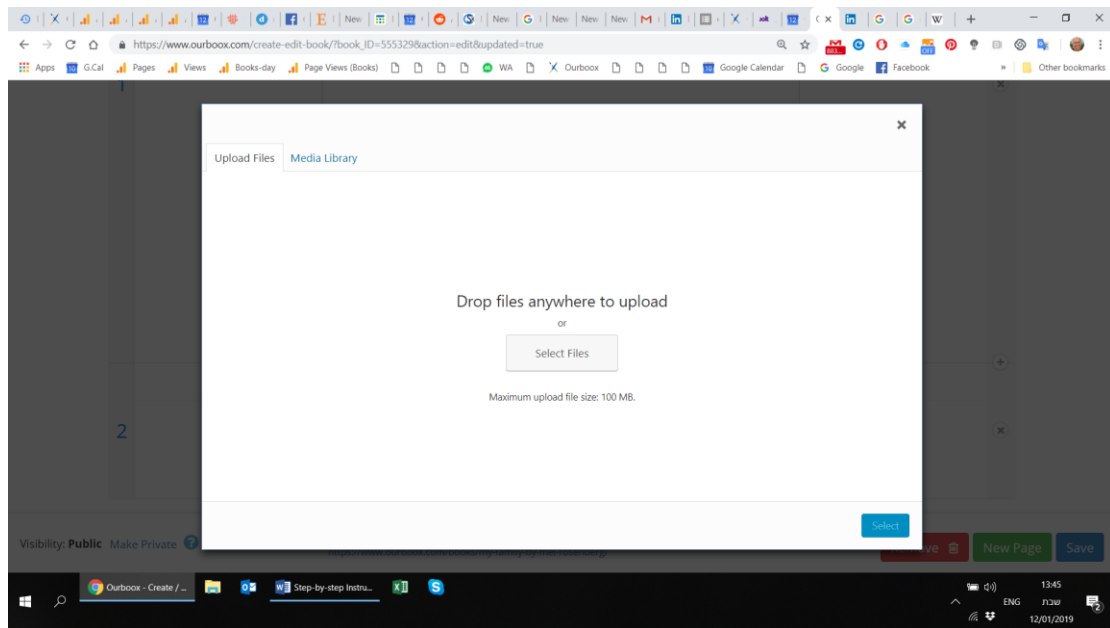
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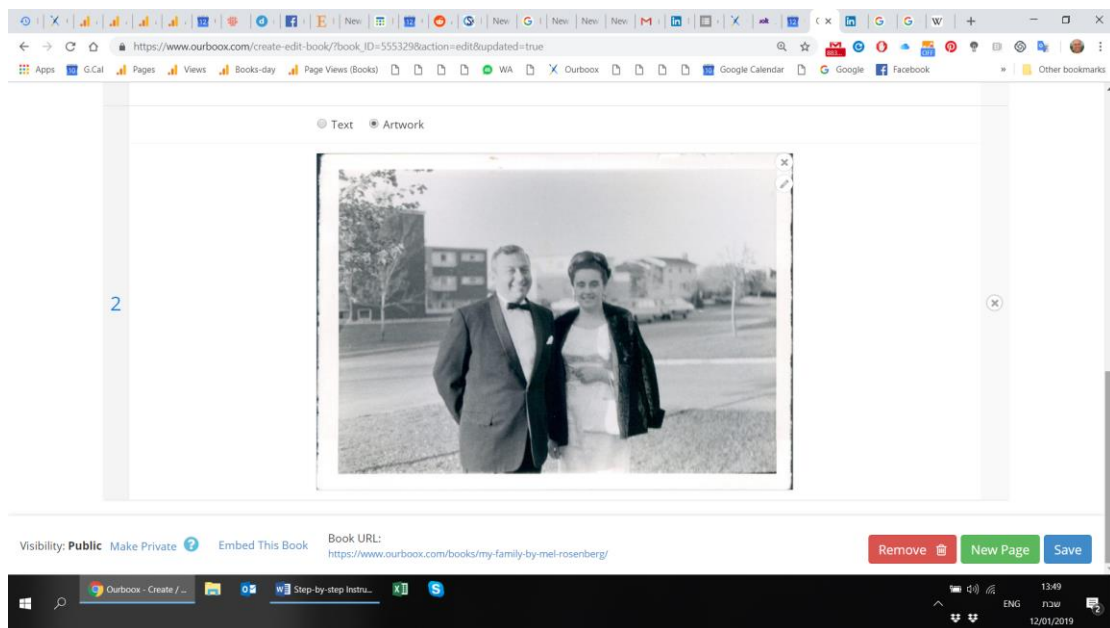
If I click on new page, I get a new page. I can click on the artwork and add a photo (Jpeg, png or gif).



If I click on 'add image', I get a window where I can drag photos (you can drag a bunch together, or select them).

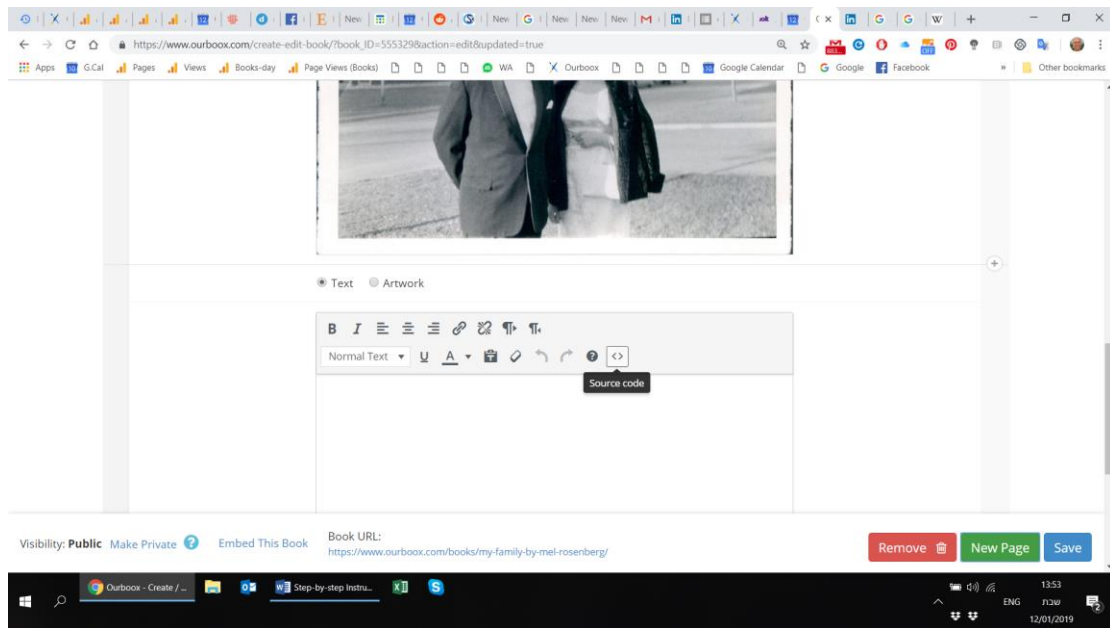


When I select the photo I dragged in, it will appear in the editor:

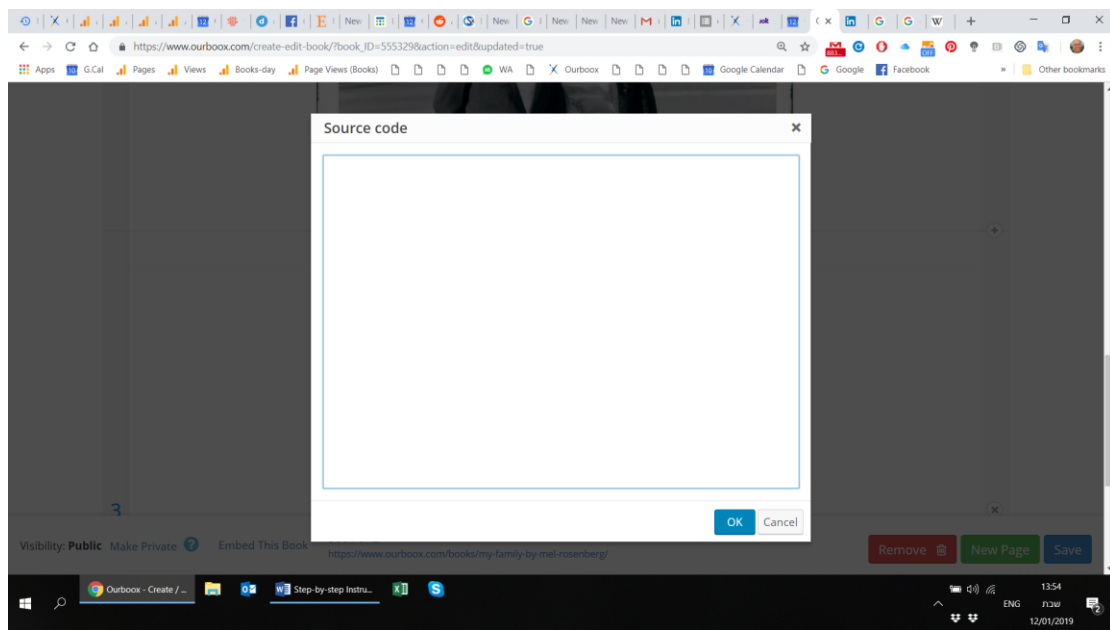


I can create another new page, in order to embed a video from youtube (if you want to add a video of your parent or grandparents, then you should video them and upload it to Youtube so that you can embed it. Ourboox does not store videos, but it enables you to embed them from youtube or vimeo.

To embed any video, or map (or game, puzzle, sound, etc.) you need to open the open source <>

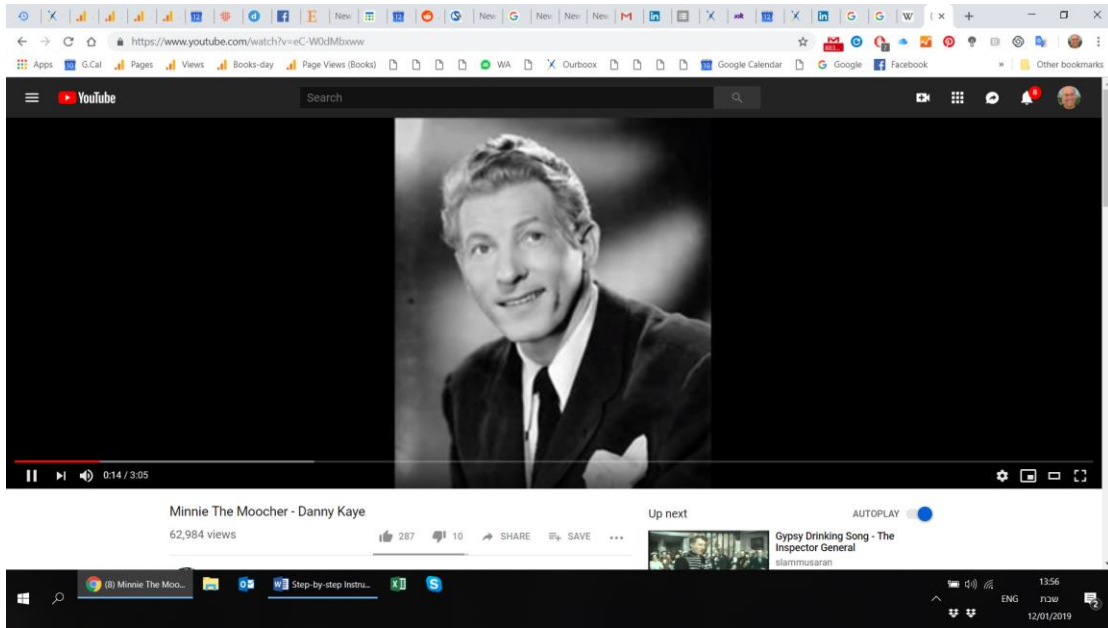


If I open the source code, I can embed the link from the video I want to insert.

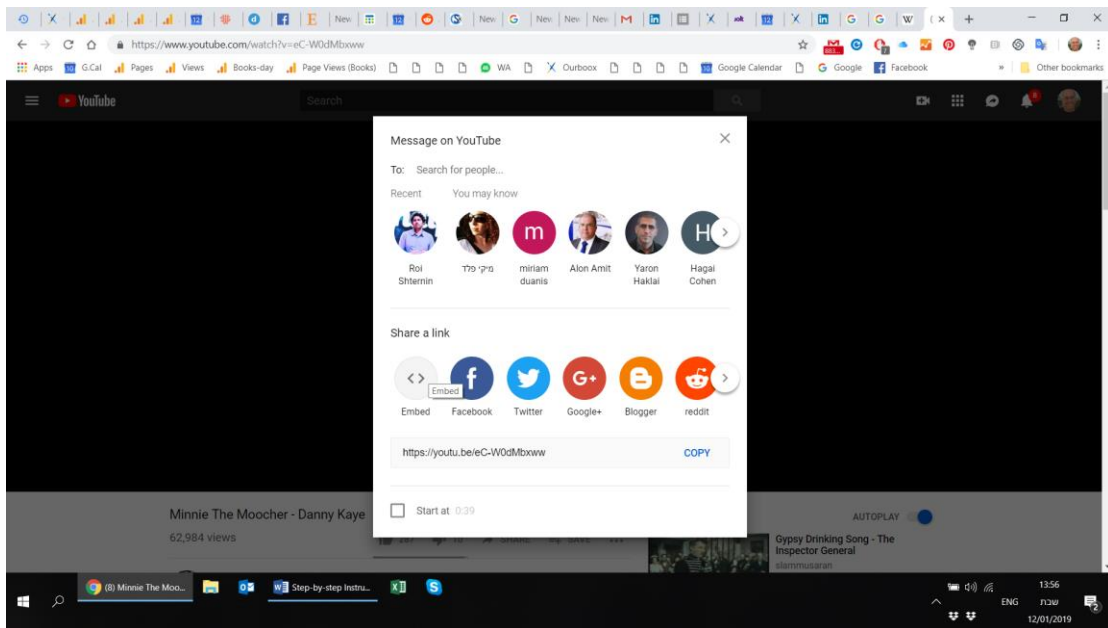


Now I will open a new window for Youtube, and find the video I want to embed.

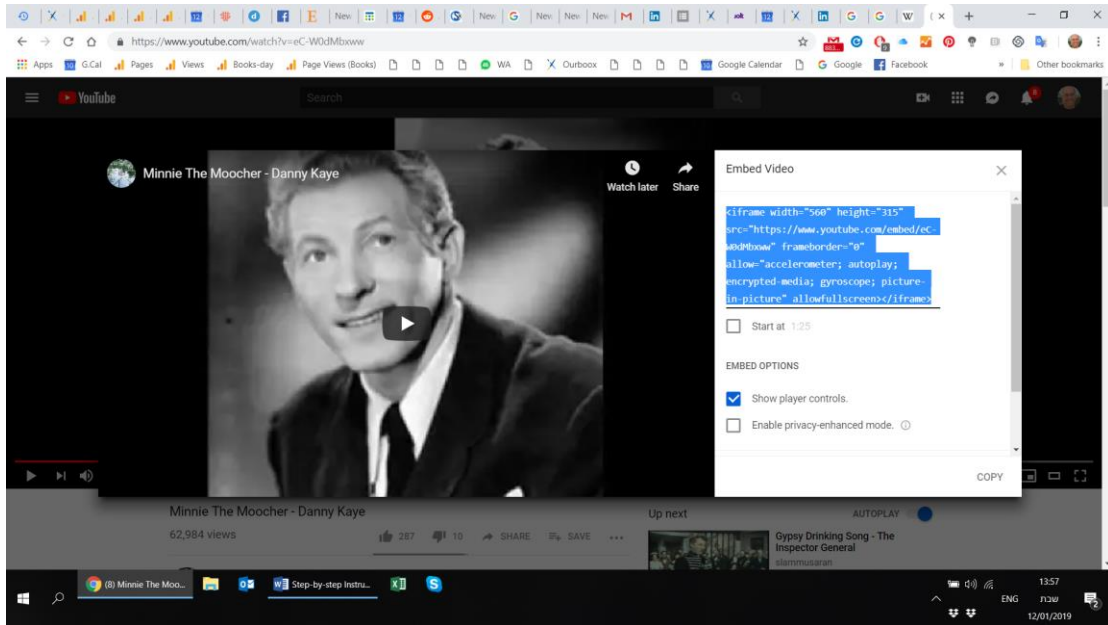
I find the video and click on share



After clicking on the Share, I click on the Embed <>



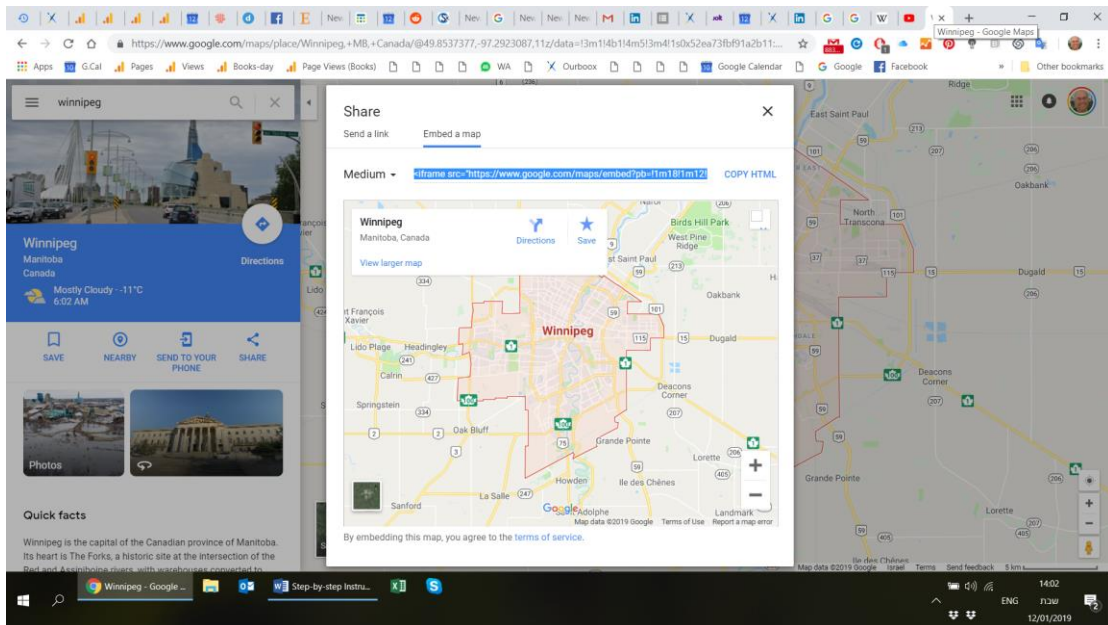
Copy the embed code



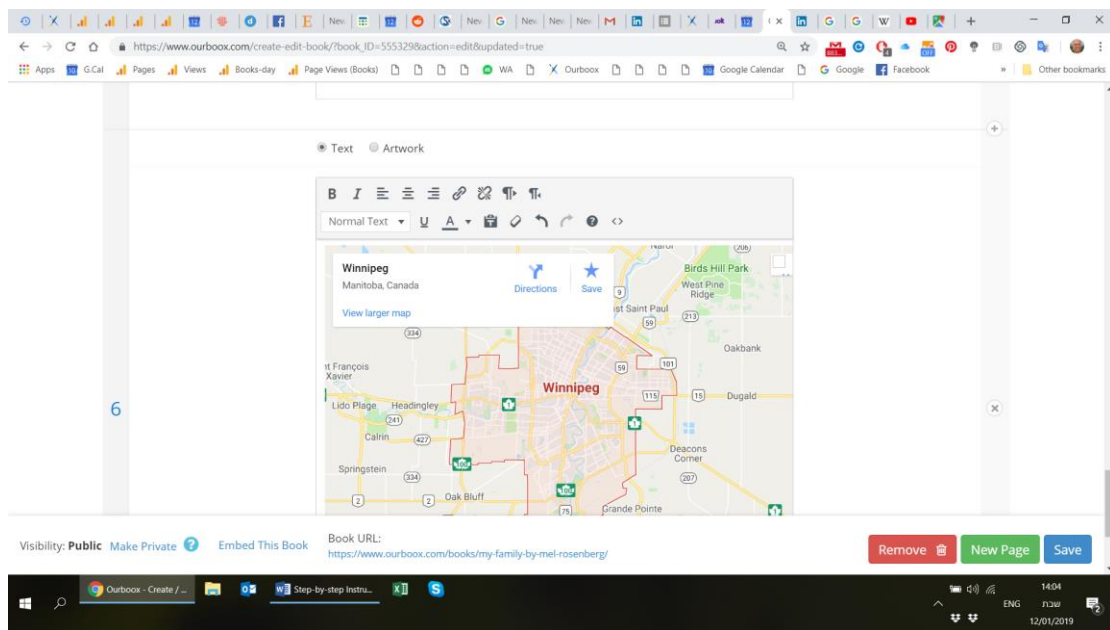
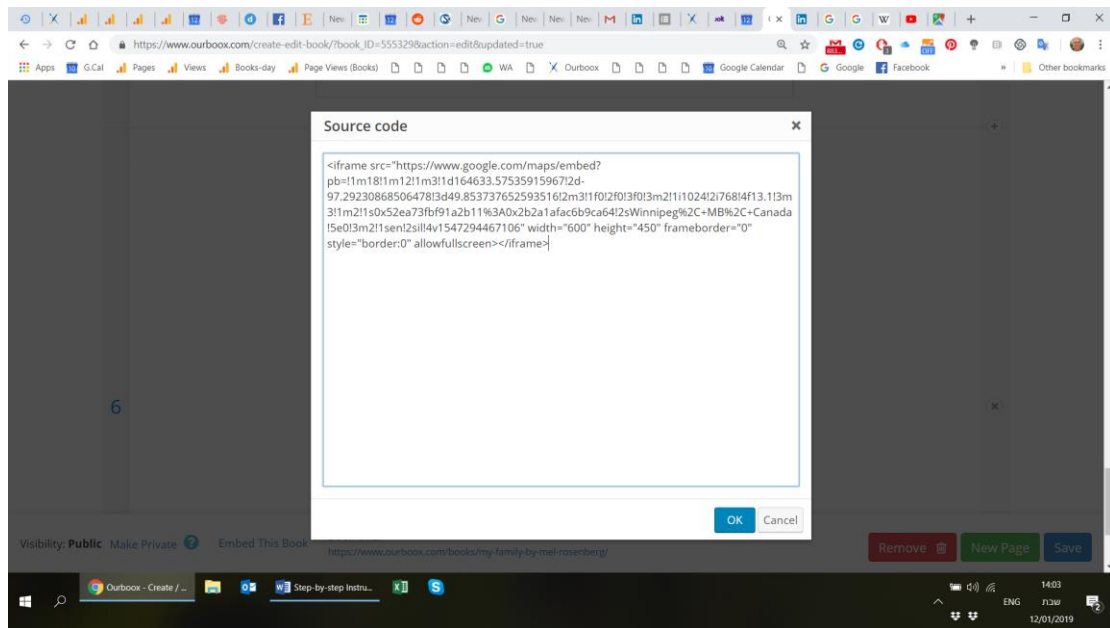
And copy it into the source code editor open in your book.

The video will appear in the editor!

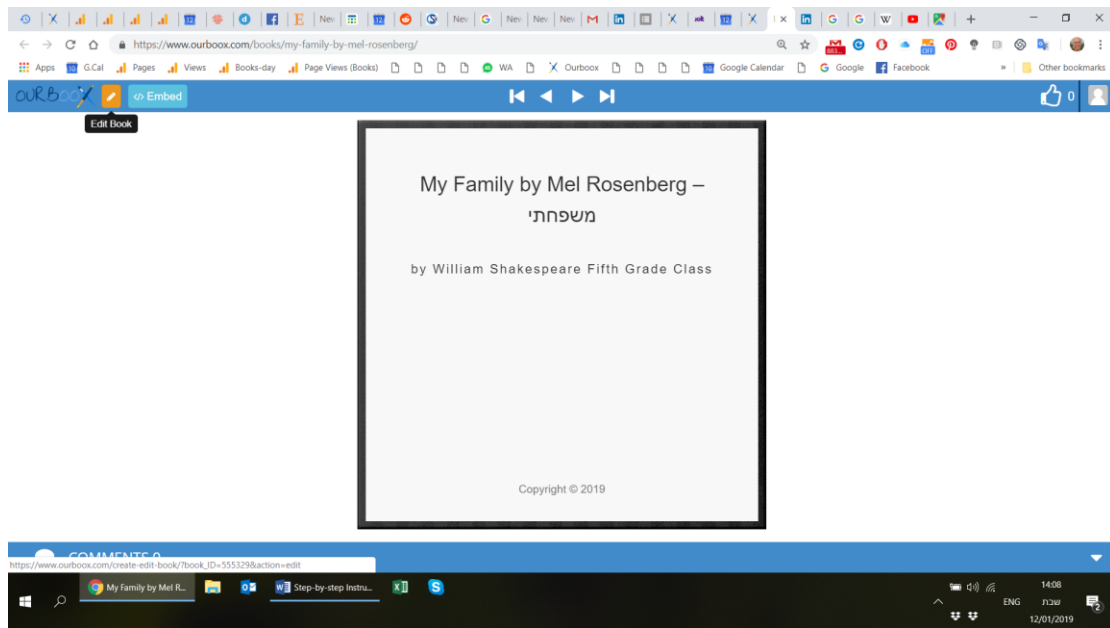
Similarly you can go to Google Maps and copy the embed code of the city where your family is from.



The moving map will appear in the editor once you've copied the embed code to the source code window.



At any time I can click on the URL at the bottom of the editor page and have a look at the book!! It looks great, but I haven't added a cover yet so we see the default cover! So let's click on the 'edit book' icon and go back to the editor.



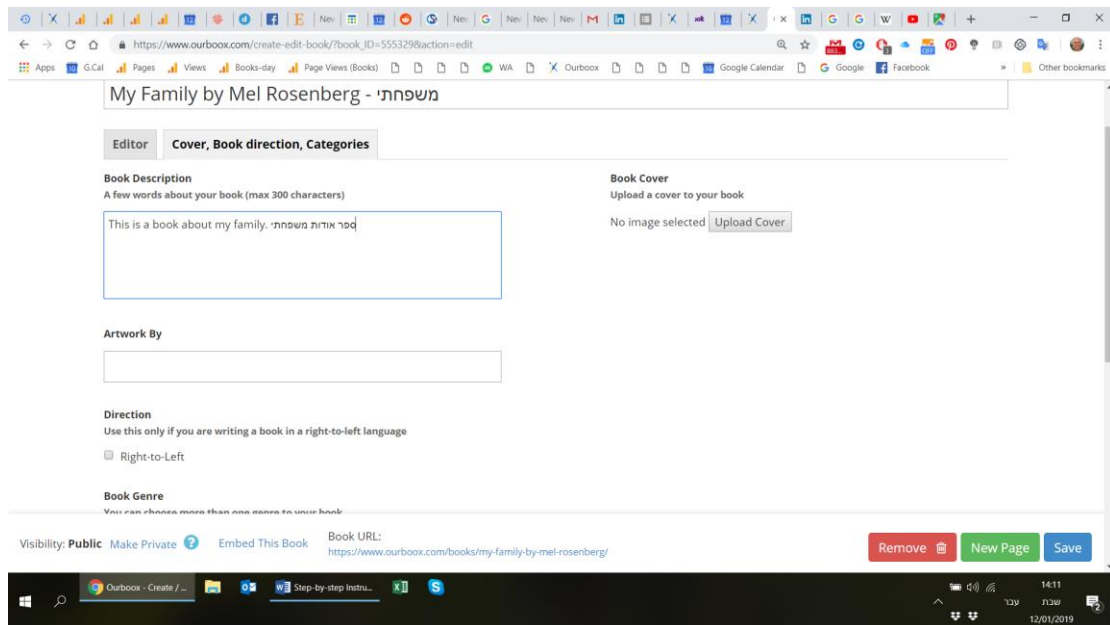
This time we'll go into the second tab. When we click on the "Cover, Book Direction, Categories Tab we will be able to do the following:

Describe the book in a few words

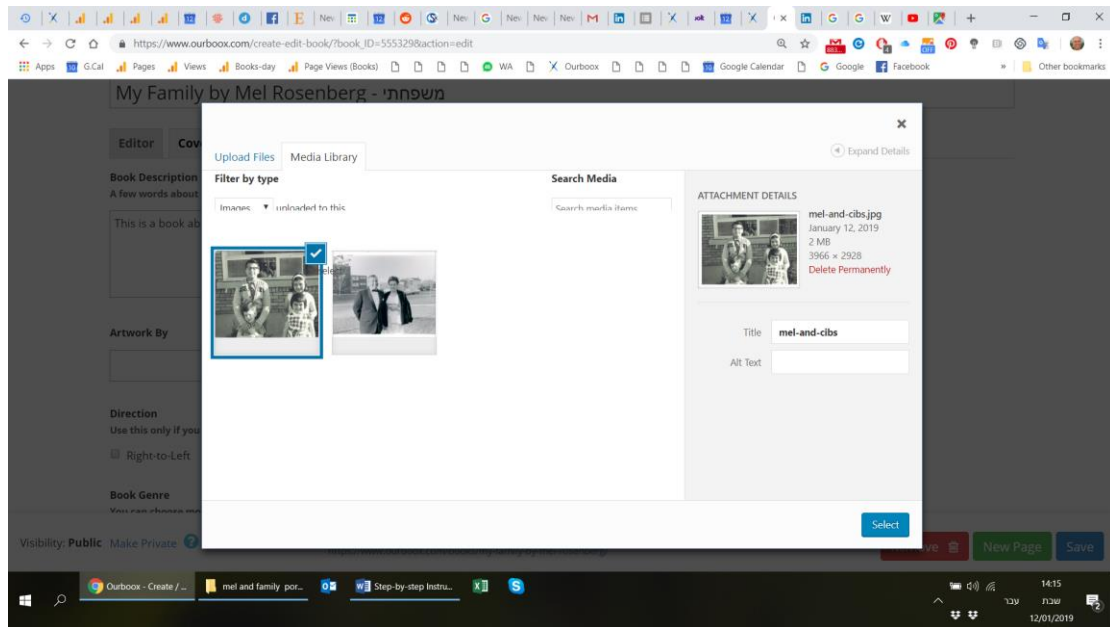
Add the book cover (same way we added pictures – we can even use one of the photos we've added as the cover!)

Choose the direction of the book (for example right-to-left for Hebrew and Arabic)

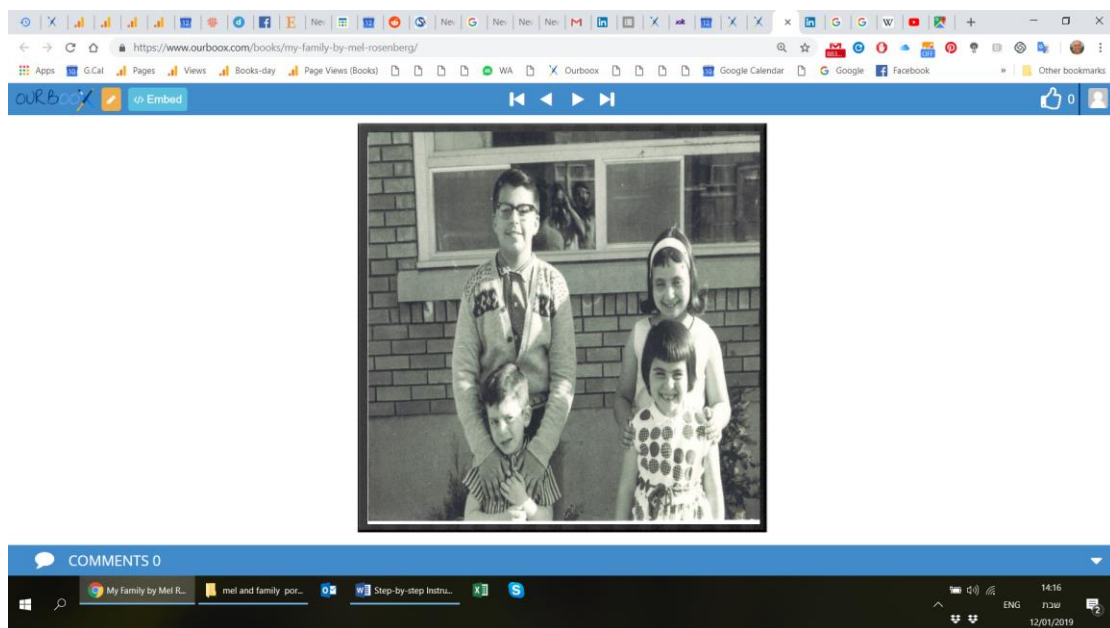
Choose a category (or several)



I've chosen my cover photo and dragged it in.



Now my book has a cover. I can of course compose a better cover using powerpoint, canva, photoshop, etc.



I can go back and edit my book whenever I want (as long as I remember the username email and password!).

Now it's time to share the url of my book with friends, family, teachers and the world. Mazal Tov!

<https://www.ourboox.com/books/my-family-by-mel-rosenberg/>

The book will appear in the Ourboox library, in the category, and Google will feature it as well. If it is a terrific book, send it to me (mel@ourboox.com) – we may feature it on the homepage!

You can even embed the book in another book or website! Just click on the ‘embed’ button to get the embed code of the book.

A final word: don't forget to click in the top right hand corner of the homepage in order to edit your profile:

