

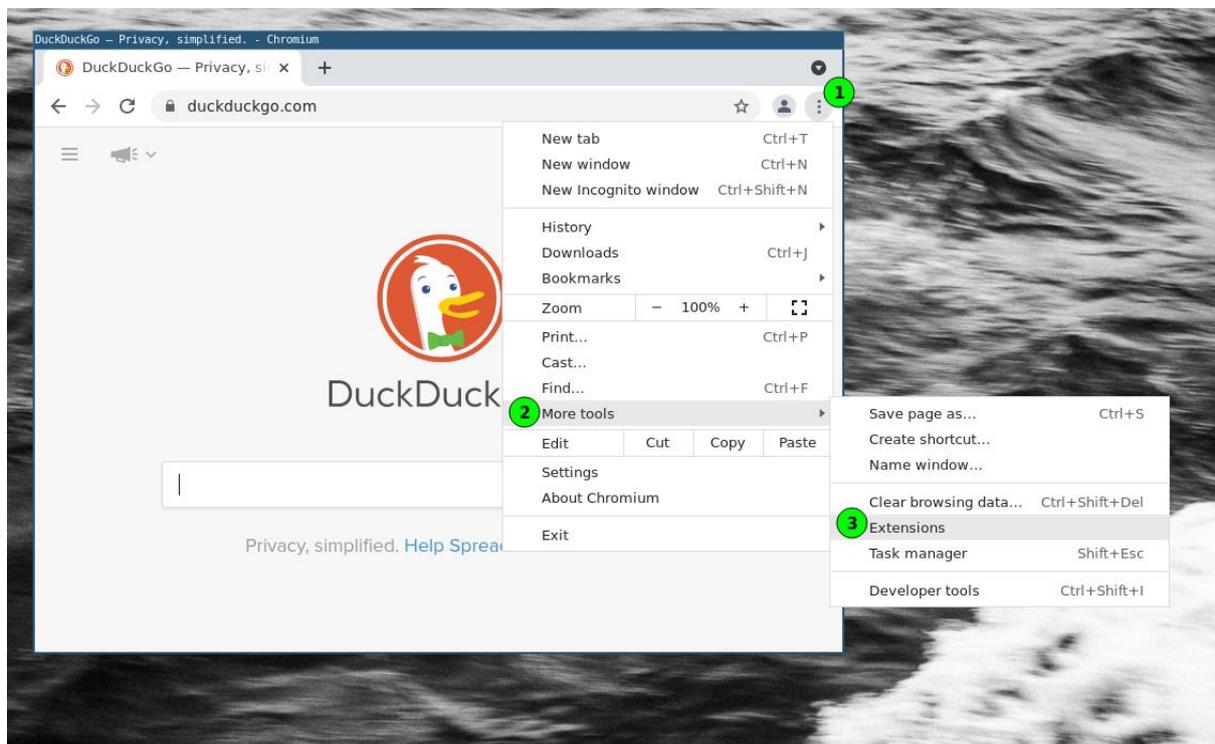
The Rewrite Web Extension Manual

Part I: Installation guide

Step 1: Unzip the extension

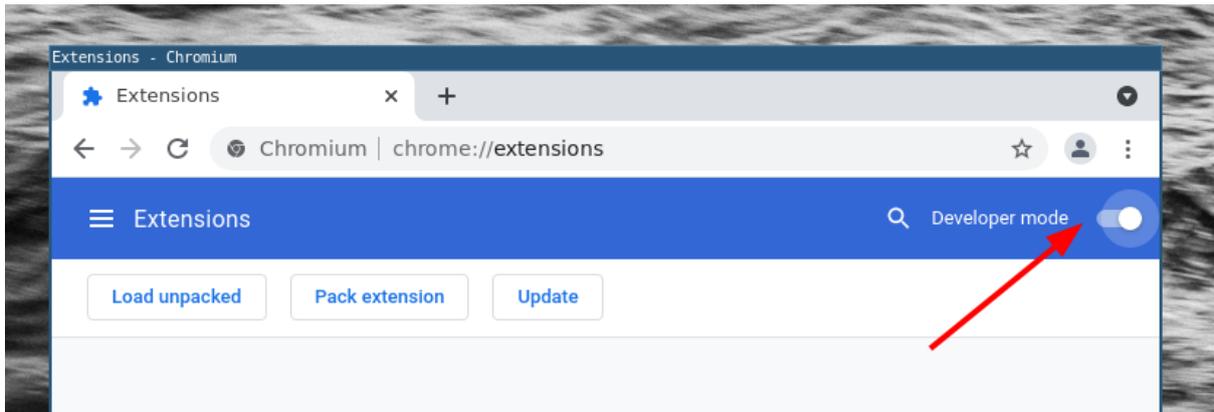
Unzip the file, you should see a new folder called “the-rewrite-web-extension”.

Step 2: Open Chrome-based Browser and go to “Extensions”

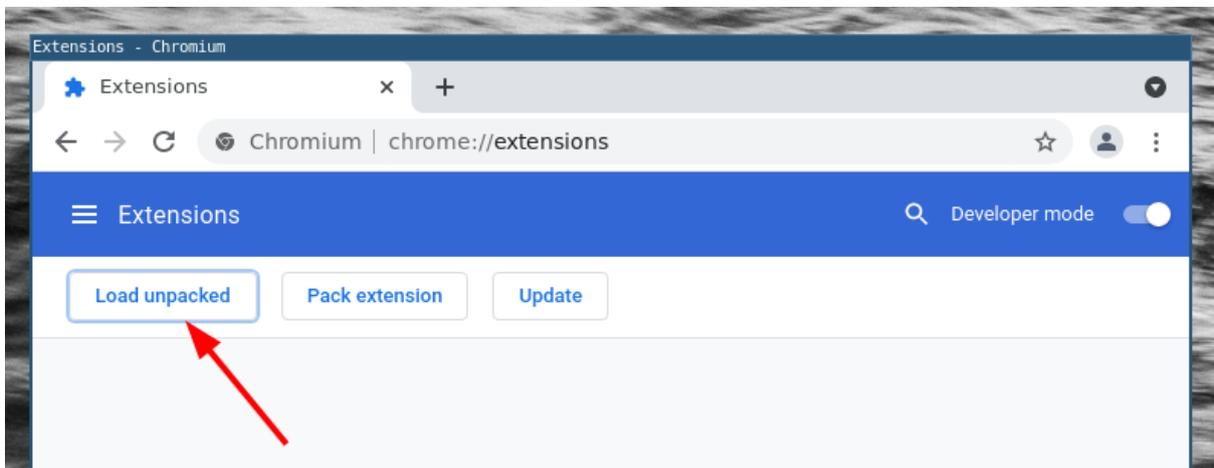


The Rewrite works only on Chrome-based browsers inc. Chrome, Opera and Brave. Open a browser window and go to “Extensions”.

Step 3: Install the extension

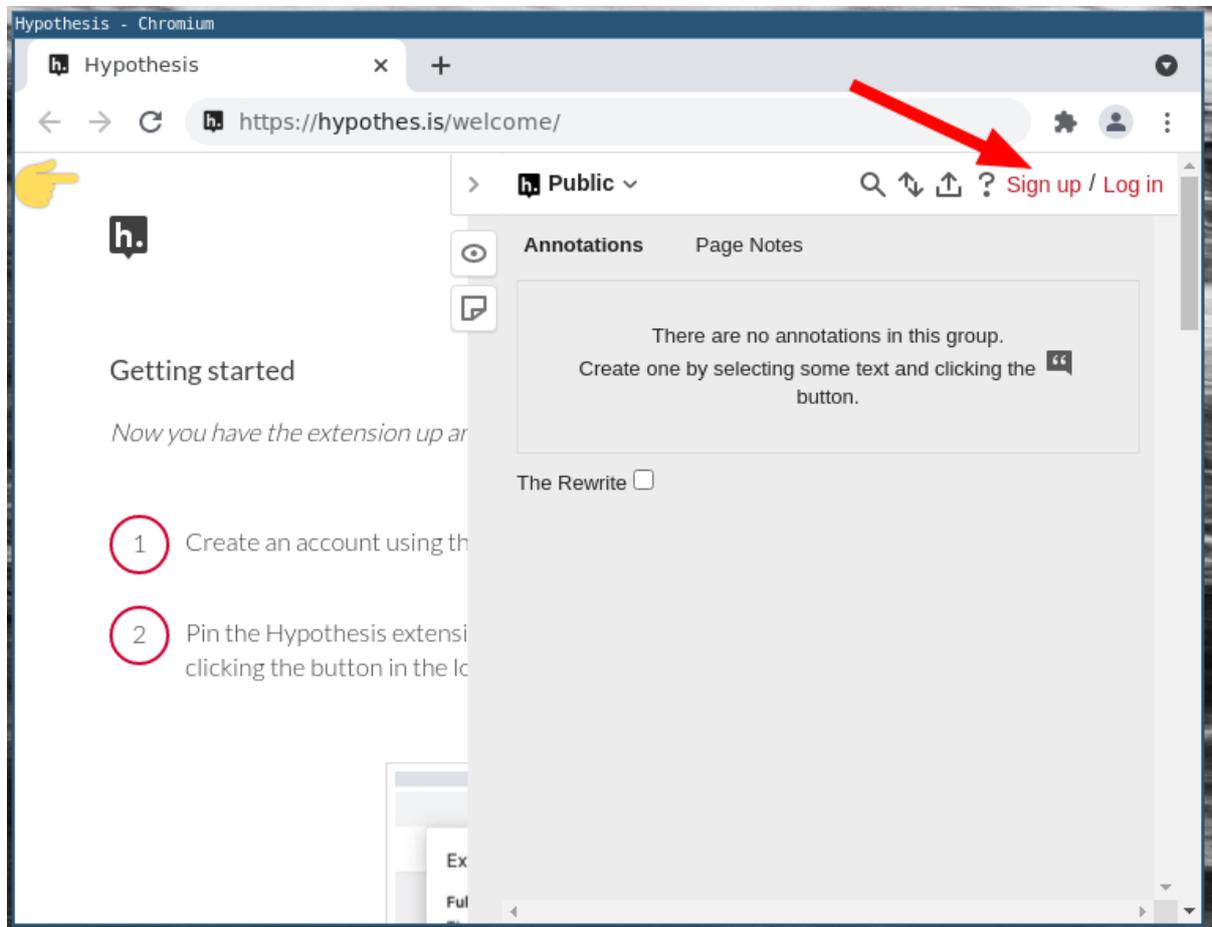


Click on “Developer mode”.



Click on “Load unpacked”. You should see your file manager. Select the folder “the-rewrite-web-extension”.

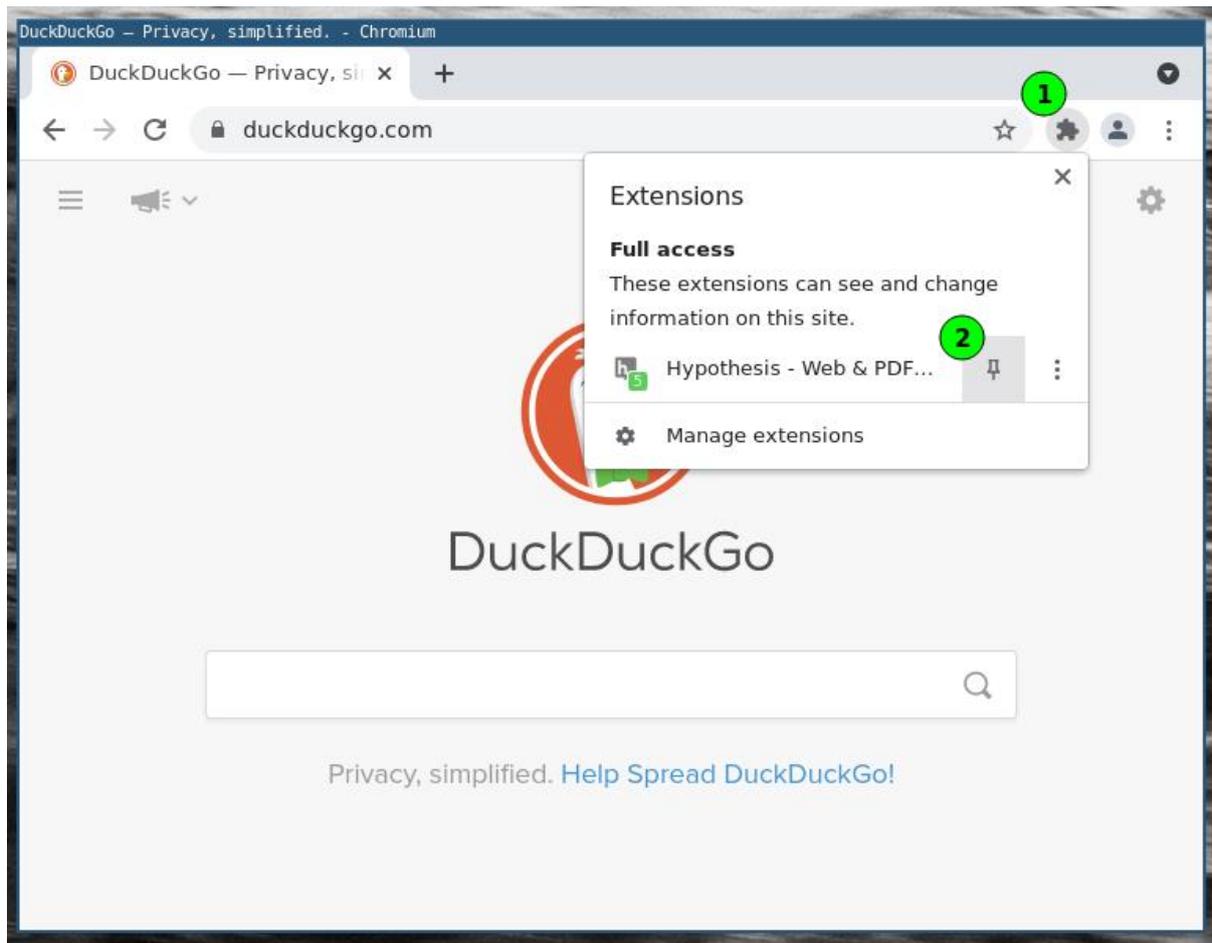
Step 4: Sign up (or log in if you already have an account)



The Rewrite extension is built on top of “hypothes.is”, a web extension to annotate the web. To use The Rewrite you need to create a hypothesis account—follow the “sign up” link or do it here:

- <https://hypothes.is/signup>

Step 6: pin the extension (optional)



The extension is hidden inside the puzzle icon, you can pin it to your browser bar by pinning it.

Step 7: Get started

The Rewrite web extension works best on simple, text-based HTML documents. Our method of rewriting is based on collective annotation, and we designed the tool to make this process traceable—therefore, the source text shouldn't change during the process of rewriting. See instructions for converting a text into an HTML-document and publishing it on your server in the second part of the manual.

SOS Help! I cannot make it work! SOS

The Rewrite web extension is experimental, and things can go wrong. If you encounter any issue drop an email to Johannes Bruder <johannes.bruder@fhnw.ch>

Please be specific in reporting the problem by telling us:

- Steps to reproduce the problem.
- What you expected to happen.
- What actually happened.

Any additional information like screenshots can also help.

Part II: Prepare a rewrite session

Step 1: Convert a document to HTML

Converting a document to HTML can be done in a variety of ways:

- If the document is a Microsoft Word file you can use Word itself to convert it to HTML.
- You can upload the document to Google Drive and then select “File > Download > Web Page”
- If you are familiar with a terminal/command line interface, you can install [pandoc](#), a very powerful free and open-source universal document converter.

Step 2: Publish an HTML document

After converting your document to HTML, you are ready to upload it. You can publish it however you want as long as the HTML document is publicly accessible. For example, you can upload it to a university server. GitHub offers free hosting for HTML documents. Let's see how this works!

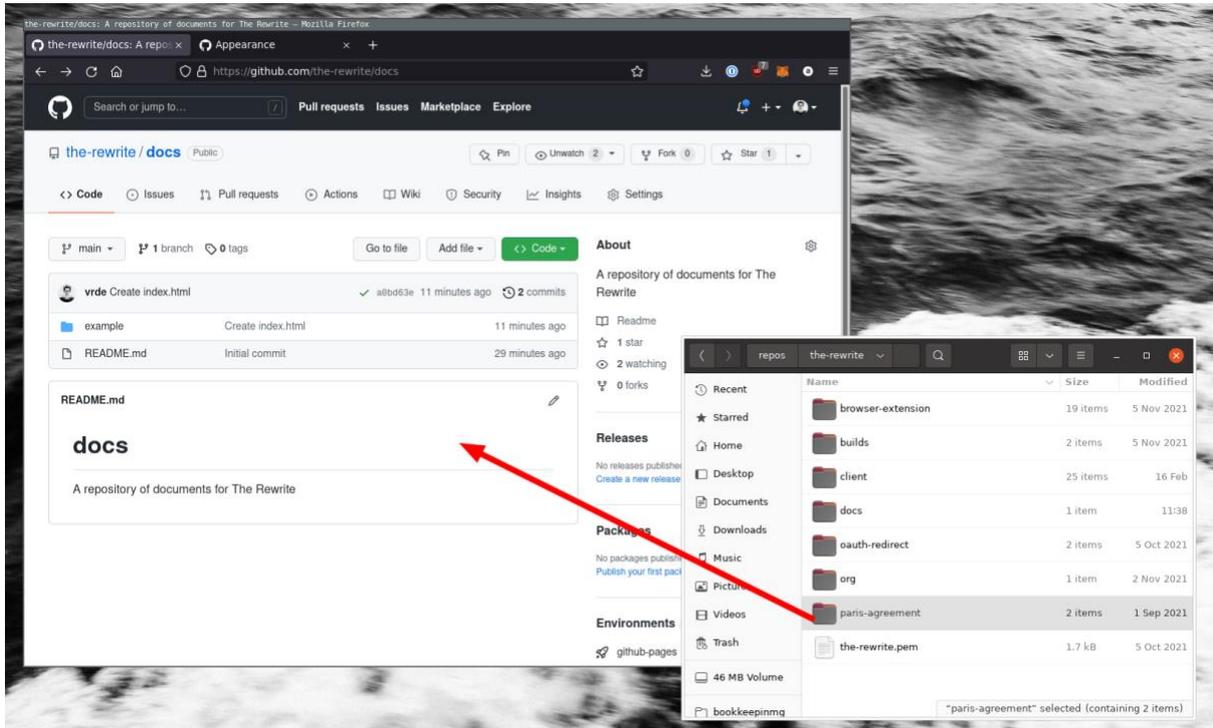
Publish an HTML document to GitHub

To publish to GitHub you need to be invited to the [“The Rewrite” GitHub organization](#). Please write to johannes.bruder@fhnw.ch to get an invite, then upload your documents.

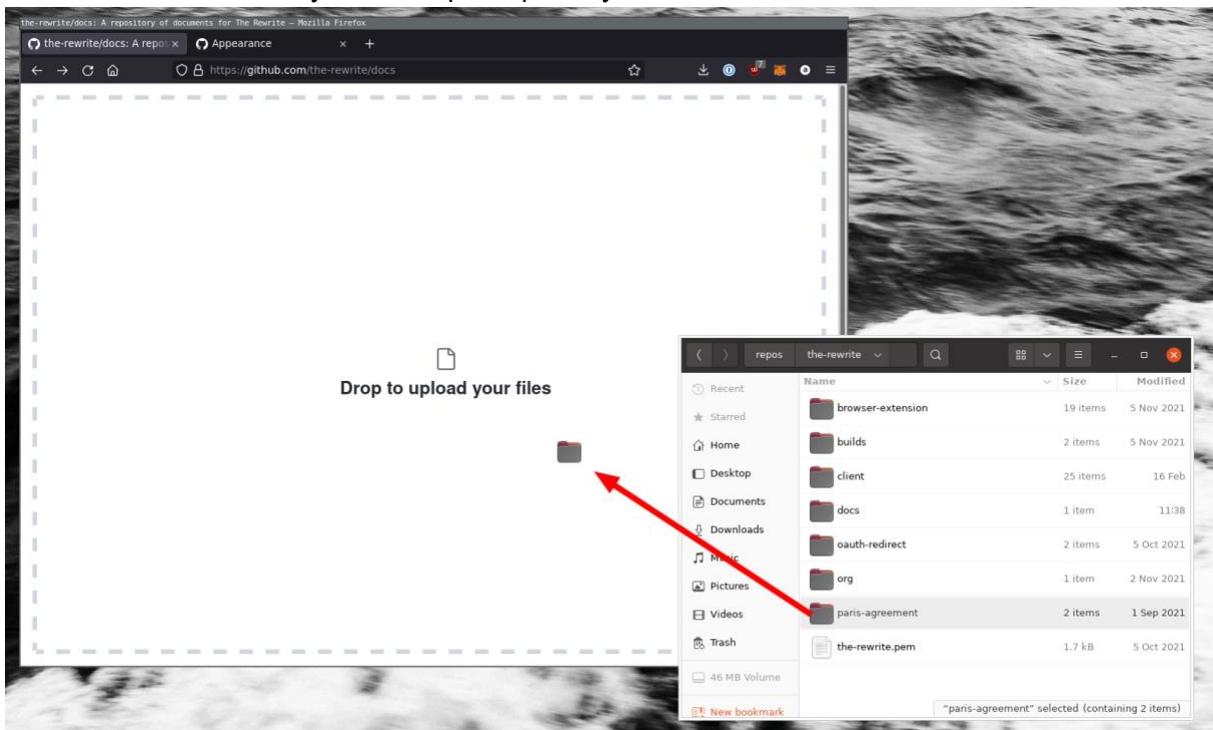
1. Go to <https://github.com/the-rewrite/docs>
2. Drag and drop the folder with your document to the page you just opened.
3. Click “Commit changes”
4. Wait few minutes
5. Your page is available on:
`https://the-rewrite.github.io/docs/<name of the uploaded folder>`

Example

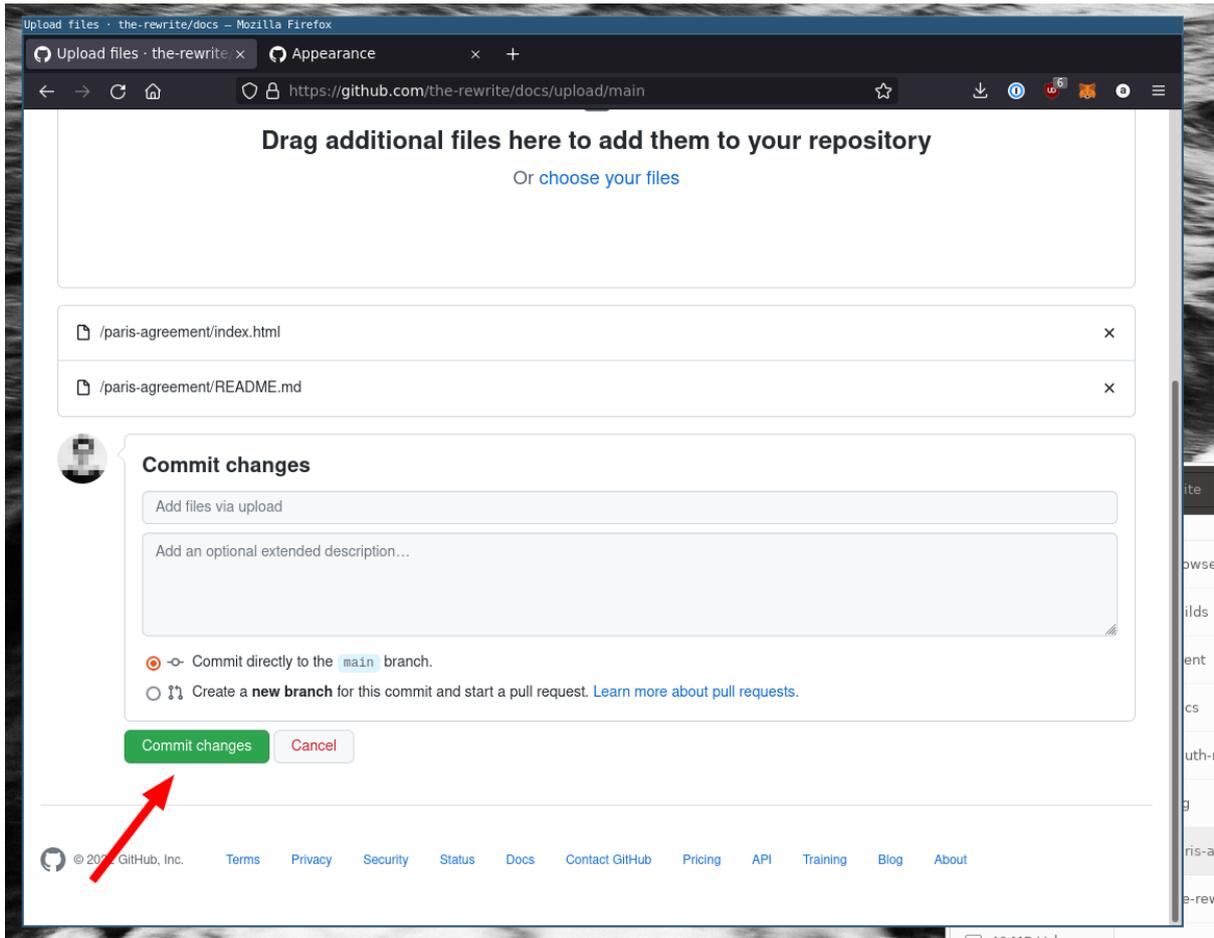
1. Drag the folder in the “docs” page.



2. GitHub should show you a “Drop to upload your files”



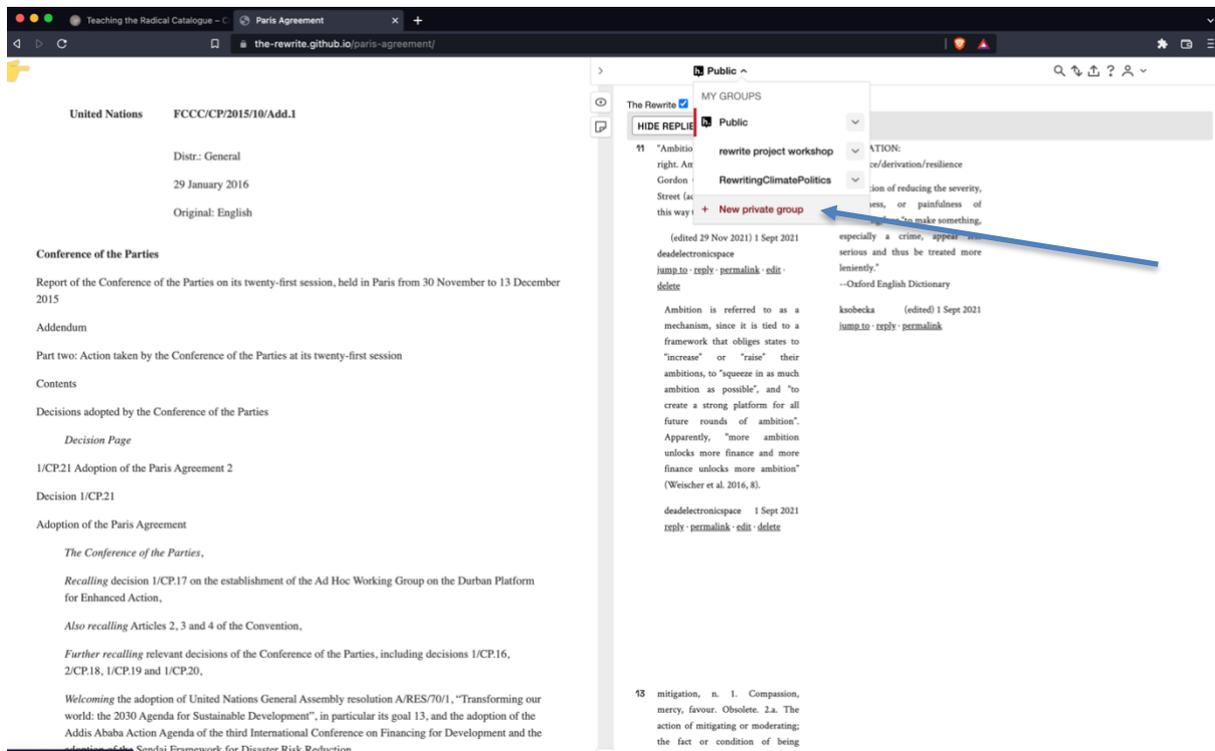
3. Click “Commit changes” to finalize the upload



The folder is now available at <https://the-rewrite.github.io/docs/paris-agreement/>

Step 3: Create a group

Having your own group makes sense especially if you're conducting a class or workshop—you can then invite specific participants and keep the annotation process private for the time being.



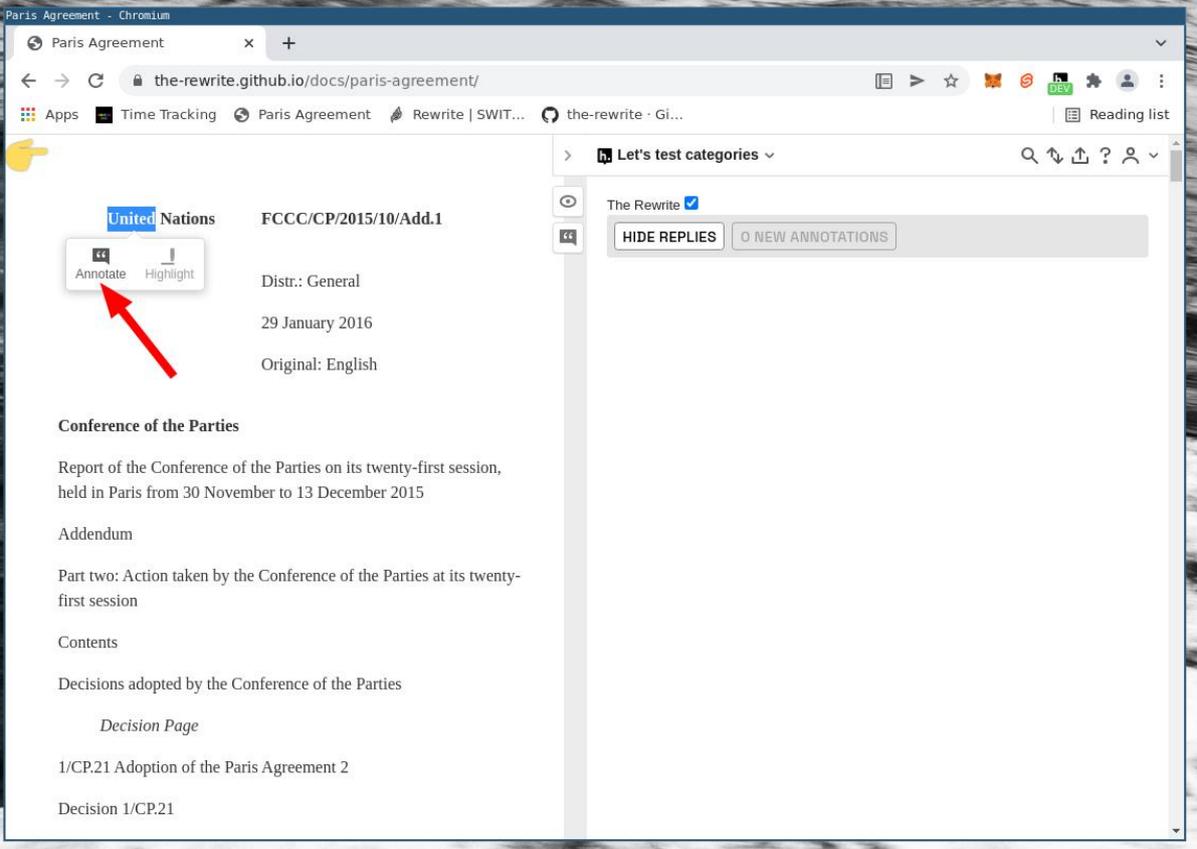
The screenshot shows a web browser window with two tabs: "Teaching the Radical Catalogue - C" and "Paris Agreement". The address bar shows "the-rewrite.github.io/paris-agreement/". The main content area displays a document titled "United Nations FCCC/CP/2015/10/Add.1" with various sections like "Conference of the Parties", "Addendum", and "Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties". On the right side, there is a sidebar for annotations. A dropdown menu is open, showing "Public" as the current group. Below it, there are options for "rewrite project workshop" and "RewritingClimatePolitics". A blue arrow points to the "New private group" option, which is highlighted in red. The sidebar also shows a list of annotations with their respective authors and dates.

To create a group, unfold the dropdown menu on top and select “New private group”.

Step 4: Set the categories

The extension allows you to define custom rewriting categories (e.g., definition, addition, delete, etc.) per document. To set the categories:

1. Open the document you want to work on, e.g. <https://the-rewrite.github.io/docs/paris-agreement/>
2. Open the extension.
3. Create an annotation (it's not important what you are annotating).
4. The annotation is prefilled with 5 categories. Change them as you wish.
5. Click "Post".



The screenshot shows a Chromium browser window with the URL the-rewrite.github.io/docs/paris-agreement/. The page content includes the United Nations logo, the document title "FCCC/CP/2015/10/Add.1", and metadata such as "Distr.: General", "29 January 2016", and "Original: English". The main text begins with "Conference of the Parties" and "Report of the Conference of the Parties on its twenty-first session, held in Paris from 30 November to 13 December 2015".

On the right side, the Rewrite extension is active, displaying a panel titled "Let's test categories". The panel includes a "The Rewrite" checkbox, a "HIDE REPLIES" button, and a "0 NEW ANNOTATIONS" indicator. A red arrow points to the "Annotate" button in the document's header area.

Paris Agreement - Chromium

Paris Agreement x +

the-rewrite.github.io/docs/paris-agreement/

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HIDE REPLIES 0 NEW ANNOTATIONS

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👉 this document doesn't specify any category. Edit this comment to define up to 10 custom categories.

Categories

- Definition: Select this category to add definitions of terms you found in the documents.
- Explosion: Select to add terms, notes and descriptions

Post to Let's test categories Cancel

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SPECULATION HIDE REPLIES 0 NEW ANNOTATIONS

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Categories

- Definition: Select this category to add definitions of terms you found in the documents.
- Explosion: Select to add terms, notes and descriptions or external resources, e.g. links to material you feel needs to be included in the document.
- Deletion: Select to signal that you would like to delete specific terms in the document altogether. Add some thoughts or links to sources that explain why you feel the term should be deleted.
- Correction: Select to propose changes to the term in question. Note that correction has an authoritative connotation; you're suggesting a definitive replacement!
- Speculation: Select this category if you would like to avoid the authoritative connotation of correction. Speculation is future-oriented, open-ended, evocative and can involve uncertain trajectories.

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Overview of the contributions of a user

To have an overview of the contributions of a user, click on their username or visit the page <https://hypothes.is/users/<username>>

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Why do you think "voluntary basis" is used here?



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I think it is used as a loop hole, it sounds like a commitment but can easily be interpreted as something that is not mandatory and can be neglected under certain (undefined!) circumstances

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