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Accessible Videos:

- Video content is accessible to the visually and/or hearing impaired
- May include: captions, a video transcript, and/or audio descriptions

Captions

- Text version of a video's audio content
- Synchronized to the corresponding audio
- Equivalent to the words or information in the audio track
- How to view/embed captions:
 - Open captions: a permanent part of the video
 - Closed captions: can be turned on or off
- Ensures accessibility for people who are deaf or hearing impaired

Video Transcripts

- A separate document that contains the text version of the video's audio
- Ensures accessibility for people who are deaf or hearing impaired

Audio Descriptions

- Describes a video's visual elements
- Not needed if:
 - It is a live recording OR
 - There is no important visual content-based information (e.g., a person talking)
- Required if:
 - The video is pre-recorded AND
 - There is important visual information
- Options for incorporating audio descriptions:
 - As part of the primary video: in between the speaker's information
 - As a secondary audio track: without the speaker's information
- Ensures accessibility for people who are blind or visually impaired

