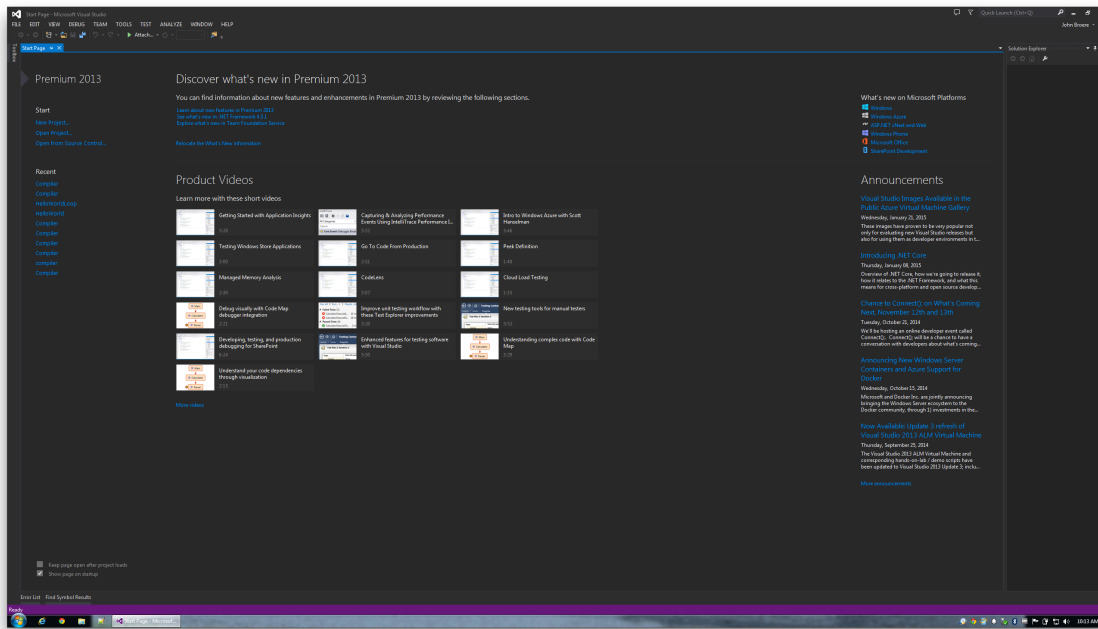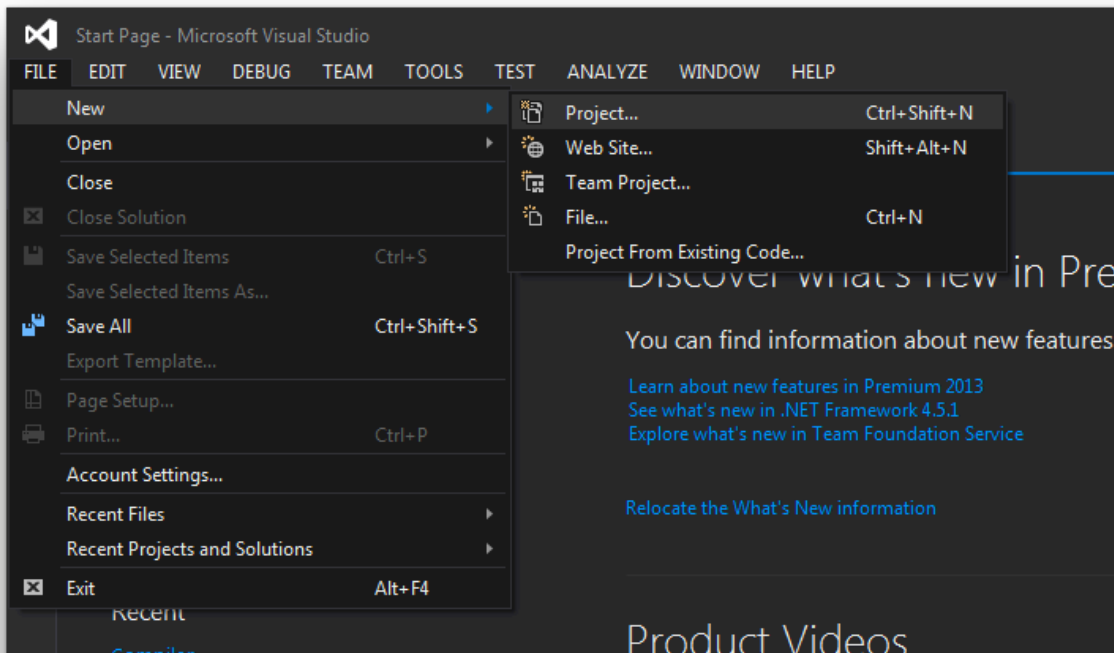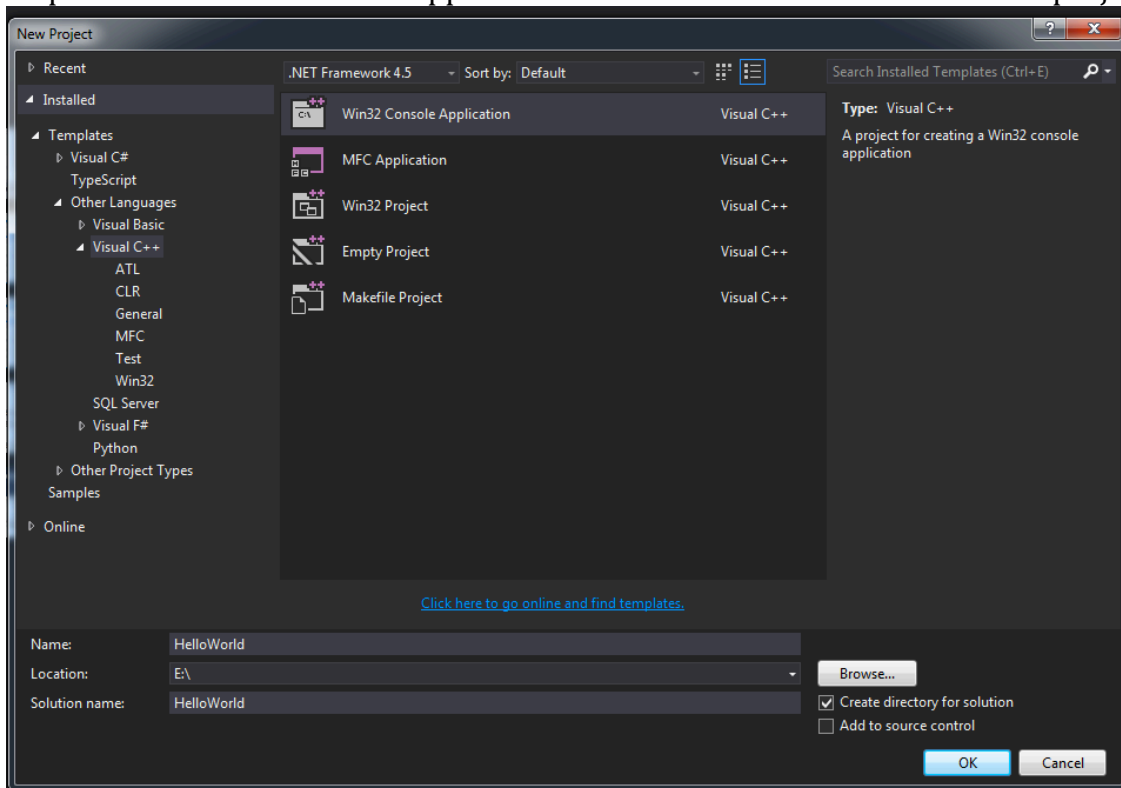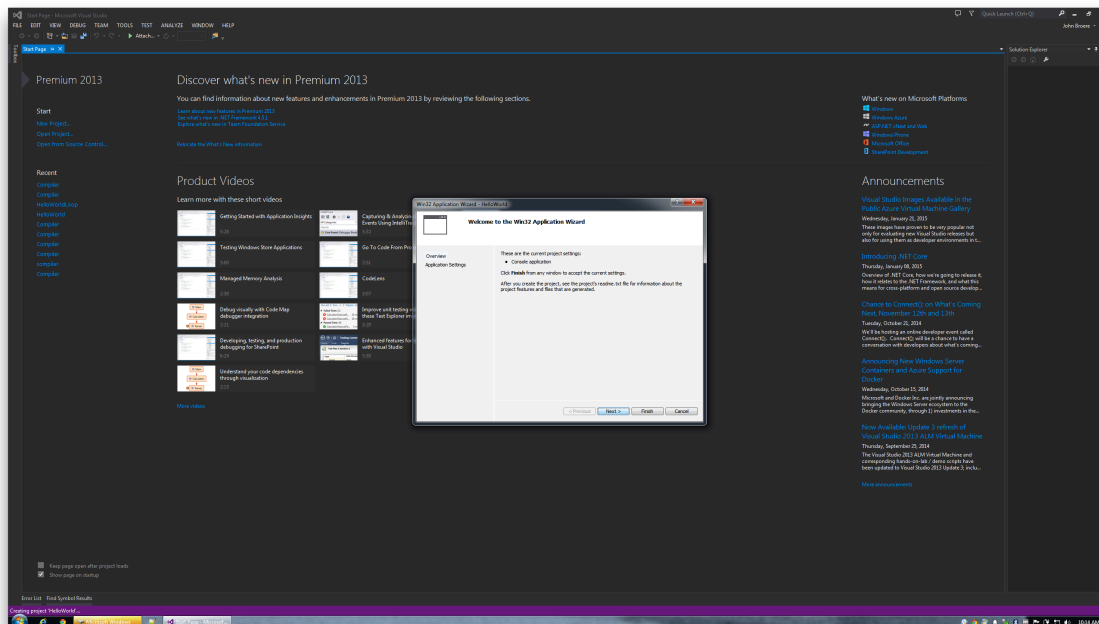Step 1: Launch Visual Studio 2013
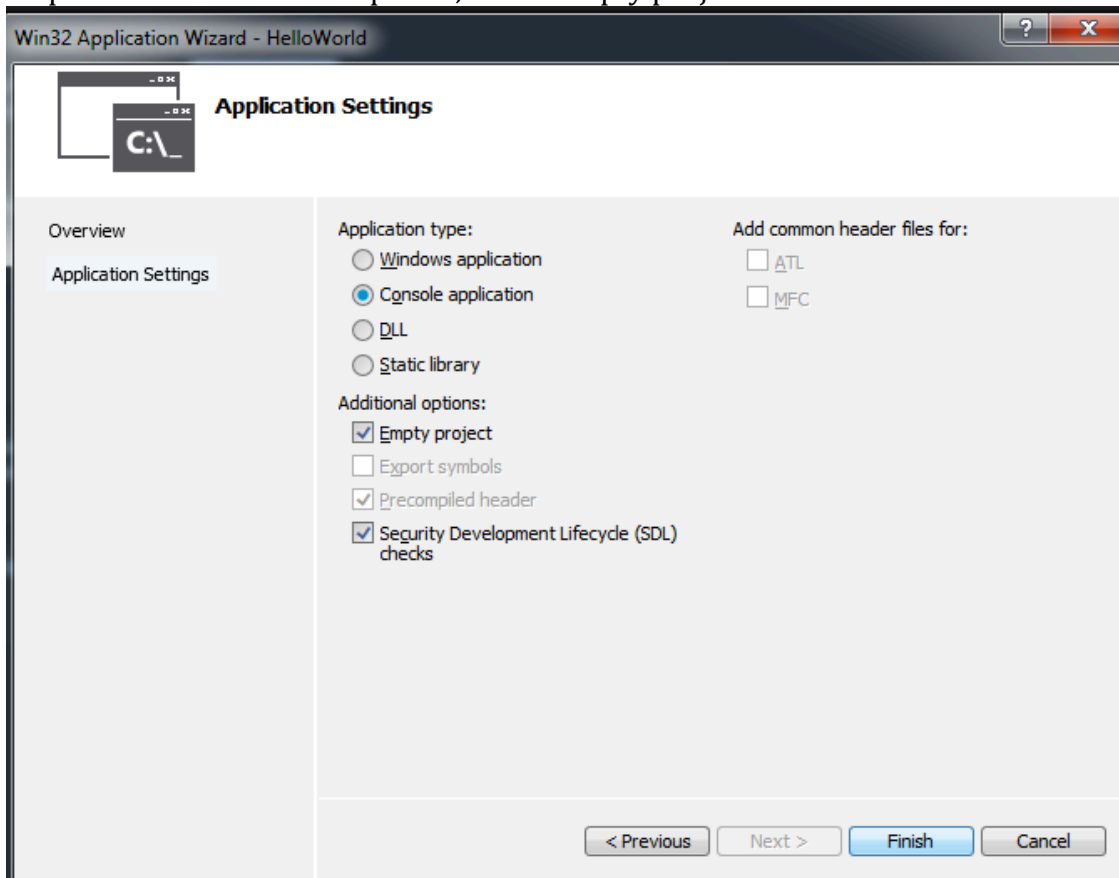

Step 2: File -> New -> Project

Step 3: Select Win32 Console Application under C++. Select location to store project and give it a name.
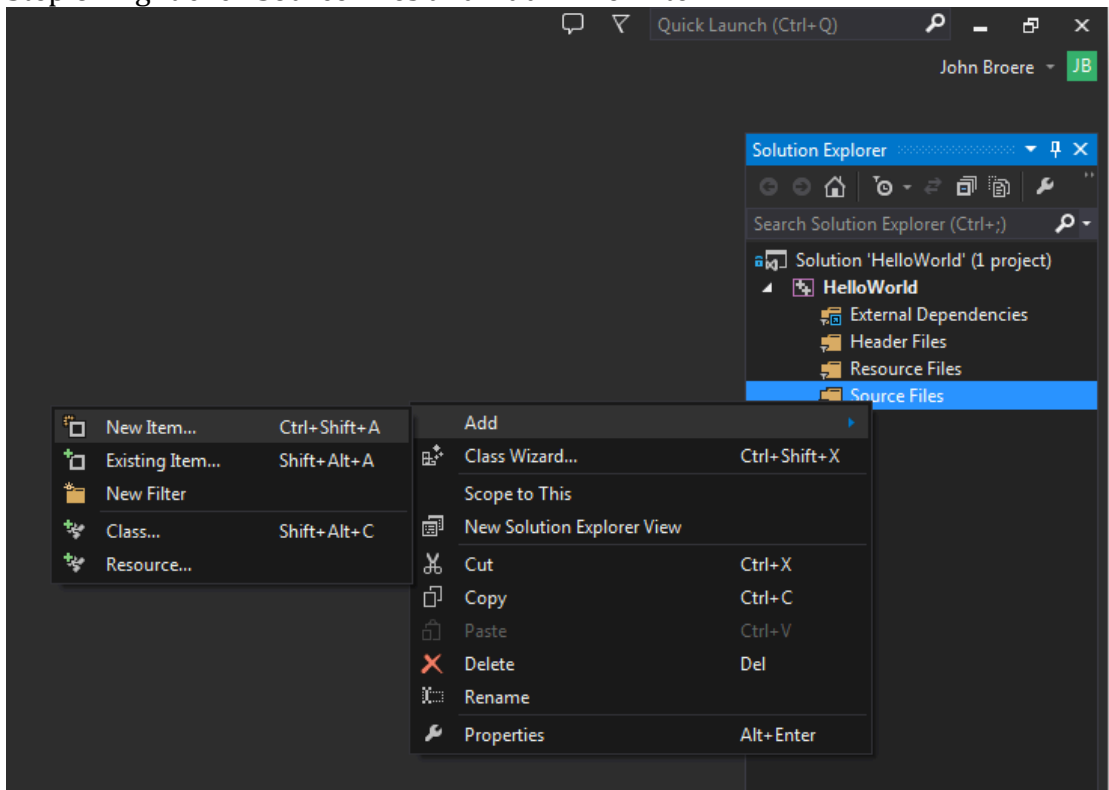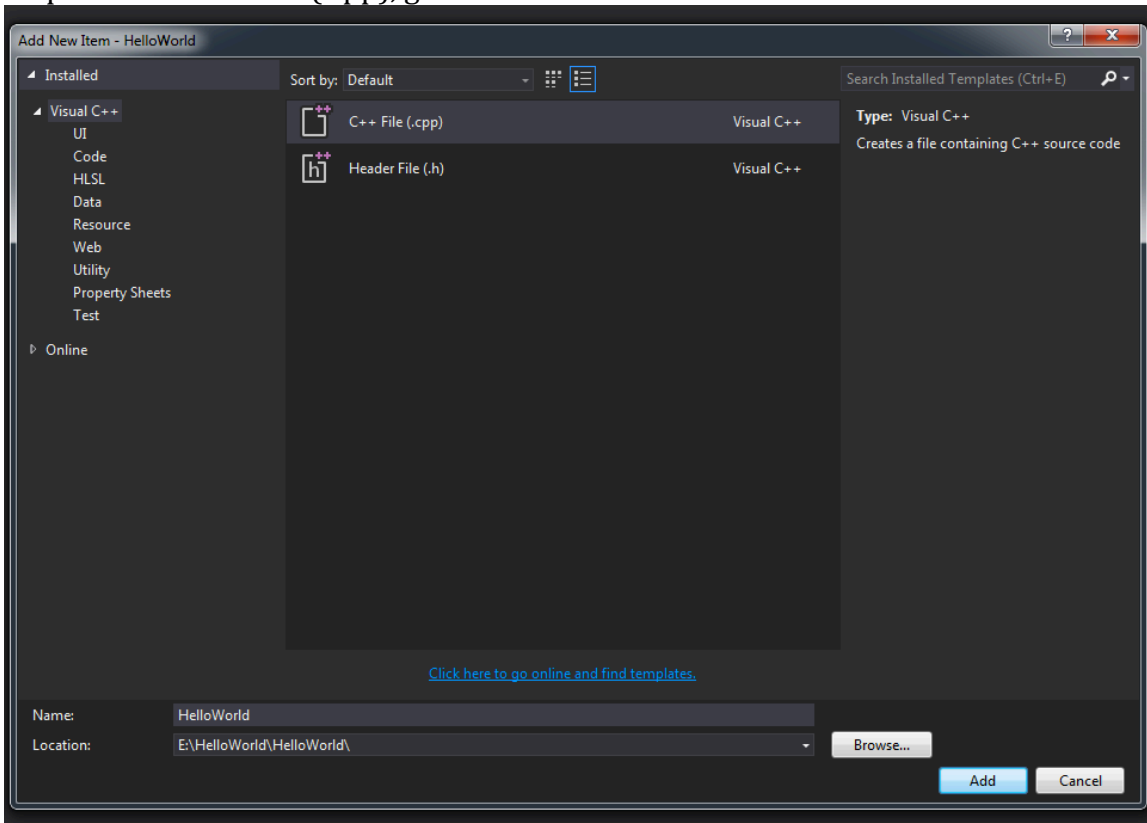

Step 4: Click Next

Step 5: Under Additional Options, select Empty project and click Finish.
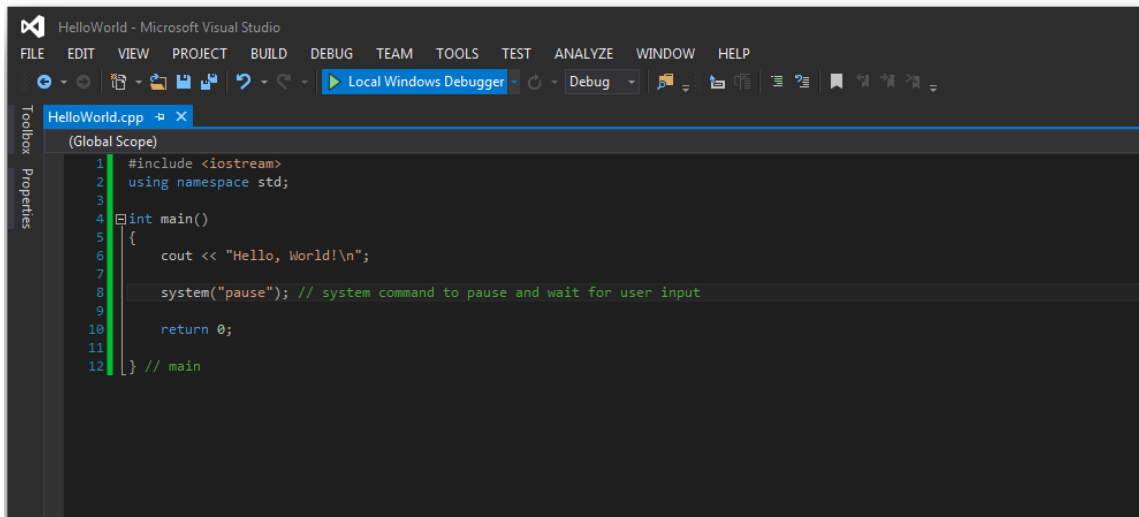

Step 6: Right click Source Files and Add -> New Item.

Step 7: Select C++ File (.cpp), give it a name and click Add.

Step 8: Key in the basic code below.


```cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    cout << "Hello, World!\n";

    system("pause"); // system command to pause and wait for user input

    return 0;

} // main
```

Step 9: Click on the green play button to compile and run your program.