

Photography presentation
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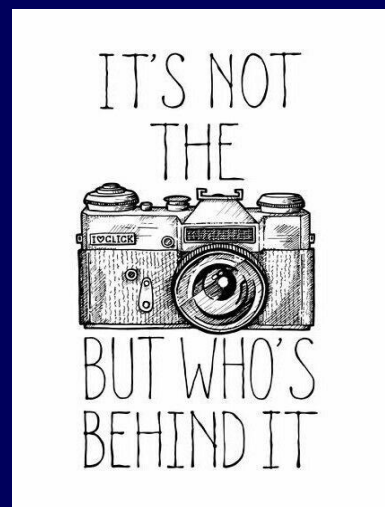
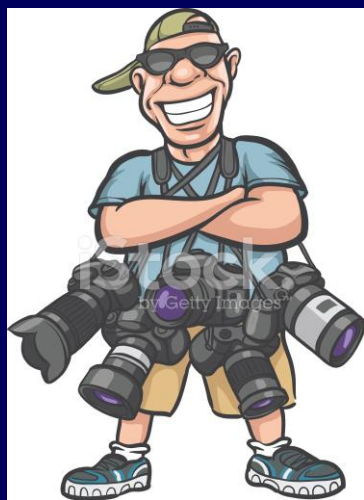


My photography



You are a photographer!

Anyone who takes a photograph is a photographer.



Doesn't matter which equipment you're using – phone, tablet, point-and-shoot camera, high-end DSLR.
The important part is the person behind the camera.

What makes a good photograph?

Difficult question to answer – photography is an art form and we are all attracted to photos in different ways, just like paintings or pieces of music.



If a photo makes you smile or captures a moment then it's successful.

Capturing holiday photos

Photographing your travels (here's hoping) can be a wonderful way to document what you've been up to.

I try to avoid taking the same photos as everyone else, what makes my holiday unique?

The people I'm with... the weather... things that happen without any planning - I try to have my camera with me at all times!



Areas to consider

Of course there are some technical areas we can consider to improve any photograph:

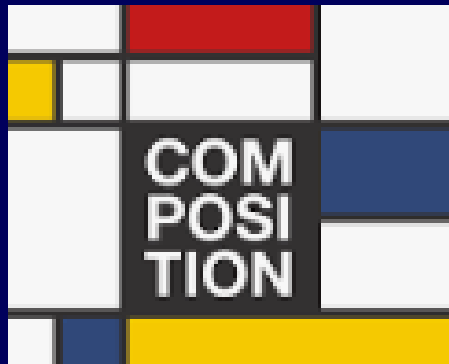
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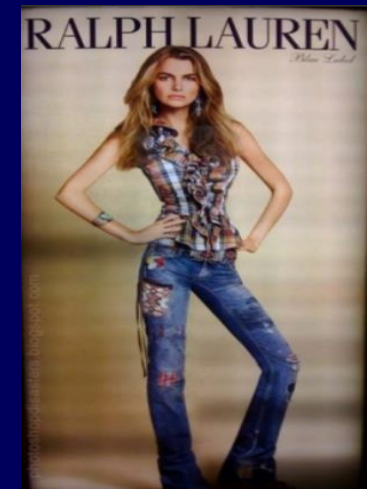
* Lighting



* Composition



* Editing



Avoiding blur – getting sharp photos

Blurry photos are very disappointing but they happen to us all!



* Moving subjects are tricky
– fast shutter speed needed

* Grip camera tightly
or use a tripod



* Clean your equipment





Lighting



Photographers are always looking for good light, it can make or break a photograph. It can be tempting to rely on a built-in flash but this can give very harsh light and dark shadows. Turn it off if you can!

Natural light is the most flattering but full sunshine can be very harsh.

Try to find open shade beneath a tree or in the shadow of a building.

Shoot in the golden hour for warm light.



Use window light





Composition

Consider your background, make it as simple as possible. Avoid potentially embarrassing distractions.

Some ideas to consider:

Rule of thirds



Leading lines



Change your angle



Add foreground interest



Editing

Ideally, everything would be perfect in the camera but the wonder of digital photography is that post-processing can be used to do anything. So many possibilities (and pitfalls!)

Many apps available for phones and tablets –
Instagram and Snapseed are my favourites.



If you are working on a computer then there
are lots of choices.

You don't have to spend hundreds on a full
editing programme such as Photoshop or
Lightroom.

Photoshop Elements (a simplified version of
Photoshop) is between £50 and £70.



There are many free online
editors such as Fotor & Pixlr.



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Finally...

Photograph what you love, it will inspire you to improve.

Learn as you go.

Use your manual or Google to answer any issues you come across.

Have fun!



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