

Digital Camera Warmup exercise:

You will use your camera in full automatic or program mode for this exercise.

- 1) Make sure your battery is charged.
- 2) Clean off your memory card (format)- make sure any photos on it are backed up.
- 3) Check the time and date settings on your camera
- 4) Set the quality setting of your camera to the best .jpg quality (sometimes referred to as fine)
- 5) If your camera doesn't have a program mode- set the ISO, Focus and White Balance to automatic
- 6) Learn how to use close-up and self timer modes for your camera.

You will use the program or full auto mode for this first exercise.

You will use the camera in many different situations- be bold and experimental. Use it indoors and outdoors, distant and close-up, natural light and artificial light, moving and still subjects. Give your camera a real workout.

DO NOT DELETE BAD PHOTOS- we will try to figure out why they didn't work

SHOOT AT LEAST 200 PHOTOS- Look them over at home on your computer. Back them up at home if you can. We will load them into your computer in class and evaluate them.

- Outside shots in sunlight:- sun at your back, sun behind the subject
- Outside shots in shade
- Landscape distance shot s
- Outside Closeup (as close as your camera focuses)
- Indoor Closeup (as close as your camera focuses)
- Indoor room shots
- Candid people
- Portraits
- Self Portraits in mirror
- Self Portraits at arms length
- Self portrait susing camera timer
- Moving subject in bright light
- Moving subject in low light (you may need a tripod or camera support for this)
- Camera Horizontal
- Camera Vertical
- Camera tilted off level
- Looking up from low angle
- Looking down from high angle
- Night shots (tripod)
- Use the timer with the camera on the ground (super low angle)
- Hold the camera high (over your head)
- Point the camera into places that you can't see
- Any other ideas you can play with- have some fun