



Basic Camera Skills

Name _____

Brand/model # of camera _____

Type of storage device you are using _____

Size of storage device _____

In this assignment you will explore your digital camera and learn its features. You will be referring to the camera's manual. The purpose of this assignment is to understand your camera capabilities.

1. Camera options - Take the same photo with different resolutions.
 - a. How many pictures in low resolution can you take with your storage device?

- b. How many pictures in high resolution can you take with your storage device?

2. Play back your images to see how they turned out before going to the next step.
3. Take a picture and delete it?
4. Use your zoom control to take a close up and a wide shot of one set-up.
5. Describe the difference between optical and digital zoom?



6. Can you determine if you are in optical zoom or digital zoom with your camera?

7. Take pictures (5-7) using some of the different picture-taking modes of your camera. (i.e. Auto, Landscape, Close-up, Portrait, Sport, Video (5-7 second Video). Try to create the setting for your picture that emulates the mode you are using. *For example, if you are using the sport mode take someone moving.*

8. Experiment with the flash. Take a shot in each of the different flash modes? (i.e. Auto, Fill-in, Red-Eye reduction, and Off)

9. Experiment with the exposure compensation setting. Take 2 pictures of one set-up. Set the exposure on the first one to -2 and the second one to +2. *[Lower to darken. Higher number to brighten]*

10. Does your camera have an ISO setting? This controls your camera's sensitivity to light. Take the same picture twice changing the ISO setting in each picture.

11. Does your camera have a continuous drive or burst enabling you to take 3 or more continuous shots? If it does take a picture in continuous drive (3 or more images).

12. Does your camera have a self-timer? If it does take a picture of yourself using the self-timer.

13. Does your camera allow you to take pictures in black/white or sepia? If it does take a picture in black/white and in sepia.

14. Take 3 pictures and experiment with your creativity.

15. Download the pictures to the computer.

