

Digital Photographer Badge

Purpose: Girls will know how to use a digital camera to create one-of-a-kind photos.

Step 1: Learn about digital cameras from an expert

Digital photographs can be taken on phones, laptops, tablets, and of course digital cameras. Find out how to get the most out your digital device and what it takes to capture a winning photo. You might have someone in your household that is an expert in digital photography. Ask them to talk to you about their hobby and what makes it so interesting. Ask them to show you how each part of the camera works. If you do not have an expert photographer in your family, research photography 101 online to learn the basics.

Step 2: Take tons of photographs

The great thing about a digital camera is that you can keep shooting until your camera's memory is full, then delete or upload your photos and try again. Take at least 10 or more different pictures of your family, pets, or landscape near your home. Choose different locations so your photos will have different backgrounds and angles. Use the action mode and take pictures during different times of the day for lighting. Use the timer so you can be part of the photos, too.

Step 3: Edit three photos

Fixing, changing, and adding something to your digital photos is easy to do with any editing software. You can even do it on some social media platforms! Take the time to go through the pictures you have taken to manipulate them into something fun, fix any blemishes, or add a different background.

Step 4: Make a digital photo project

A collage is a collection of images and items placed together to make a whole new picture. Your collage can have a theme or just a collection of pictures you like. Use the pictures you have taken to make a photo collage. Create a photo collage on the computer or use one of the free phone apps to create a photo collage. Either one can be uploaded to your computer and saved if you wish to use it for a future project.

Step 5: Share your photos

Now it's time to share your photos! Have your parent/caregiver upload them to social media or help you email them to family and friends!

Congratulations! You've earned the Digital Photographer badge!

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