



Photography 4Kids: Level One

Course Syllabus and Parent Lesson Planner

Course Orientation:

Description:

In this course there are 5 modules that go a little bit deeper into the photography basics that began being taught in the “Level One” course. This specific “Level Two” course is designed more for younger students (grades 3rd-5th) and is taught by 2 animated child-friendly instructors. This course covers every simple thing any child needs to know before using and when using a camera.

Some kind of camera is required for this course. A Kid’s Camera is recommended and can be found here: https://www.amazon.com/VTech-Kidizoom-Camera-Pix-Blue/dp/B01D11ZOAK/ref=pd_sim_21_8?encoding=UTF8&pd_rd_i=B01D11ZOAK&pd_rd_r=QGY5Z08AS24880X797DN&pd_rd_w=TxXXI&pd_rd_wg=H0DBF&refRID=QGY5Z08AS24880X797DN&th=1. But, the child could also use a Point and Shoot Camera as another option.

- Module 1 covers the introduction of this course.
- Module 2 is where the students will dig deeper into photography and learn that it’s more than just taking a picture.
- Module 3 will introduce the students to a few basic composition rules.
- Module 4 will go deeper into the remaining basic composition rules.
- Module 5 wraps up the course and talks to them about the different types of lighting in photography.
- This course, upon completion, will give your child a very basic understanding of photography and how they can use something like this to challenge them creatively and educationally. After this course, your child should be more familiarized with a camera, will have learned about the photography composition rules, begun to understand lighting in photography and the challenges of lighting a photograph and have grown creatively.

Course Length:



As an elective course, we recommend one module per week. Therefore, we feel that this course should take approximately 5-6 weeks to complete all modules, assignments, and leave time to study, and take, the final exam. (See Lesson Plan below)

Course Pre-Requisites (if applicable):

This course does not require any pre-requisites.

Course Requirements:

Computer/tablet/smart phone – Students must have access to a computer/tablet/smart phone with internet access and an internet browser. Simply STEM has been successfully tested using Internet Explorer, Firefox, Chrome, and Safari. In addition, we have tested many versions of smart phone/tablet browsers as well.

Course Requirements (continued):

Internet Access – Although results may vary, based on connection type and speeds, we have tested our online videos on DSL, Satellite, Cable, and cellular connections. Our courses cannot be download and require internet access to view them.

COURSE SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS:

Gimp Software: Go to this link below and download the fitting software for Gimp to begin the course. This software is free.

<https://www.gimp.org/downloads/>

Microsoft Software: Please visit the Microsoft store where you can view the different Microsoft Office purchase options available.

http://www.microsoftstore.com/store/msusa/en_US/cat/All-Office/categoryID.69403900?icid=en_US_Store_UH_software_Office

We recommend the Office 365 Personal edition, as it's the least expensive option and you receive all of the Microsoft software covered by Simply STEM (including Microsoft Access).

Adobe Software:

Adobe offers special pricing for students/teachers. Please visit this link for info on their pricing:

<https://creative.adobe.com/plans?plan=edu&promoid=KTROQ>

TechSmith (Camtasia):

http://shop.techsmith.com/store/techsm/en_US/cat/categoryID.67158100



Course Grading:

Simply STEM requires all students to pass a quiz following each module with a score of 80% or higher. The student can retake the module if they aren't able to complete the quiz with a passing score. Typically, module quizzes will be 5 questions long. There is a final exam at the end of each course, which is a compilation of all the module quiz questions. The amount of questions for final exams vary. Students are required to pass the final exam with a passing score of 70% to complete the course. Grades can be viewed by viewing the completed courses in the Course Library or by viewing courses still being taken from the dashboard 'In Progress' tab.

Detailed student transcripts and course reports can be provided to you by simply requesting them from our Simply STEM support team at studentsupport@techknowcoa.com

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.rtf – Document Format	.gif – Picture Format
.pages – Mac Document Format	.bmp – Picture Format
.wav – Audio Format	.htm – Web Format
.mp3 – Audio Format	.html – Web Format
.xls – Excel Spreadsheet Format	.ppt – PowerPoint Format
.xlsx – Excel Spreadsheet Format	.pptx – PowerPoint Format
.numbers – Mac Spreadsheet Format	.mov – Video Format
.avi – Video Format	.psd – Photoshop Format



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.mp4 – Video Format	.3gp – Multimedia Format
.mpg – Video Format	.mpeg – Video Format

Lesson Plan:

Module 1 – Introduction	Week 1
Module 2 – Digging deeper	Week 2
Module 3 – Basic Composition Rules (part 1)	Week 3
Module 3- Quiz	Week 3
Module 3- Project	Week 3
Module 4 – Basic Composition Rules (part 2)	Week 4
Module 4- Quiz	Week 4
Module 4- Project	Week 4
Module 5- Understanding Lighting	Week 5
Module 5- Quiz	Week 5
Module 5- Project	Week 5
Study for Final Exam	Week 6
Final Exam	Week 6