



Composition

A Level Photography



What is composition?

- Composition means combining or putting together different parts or elements to form a whole...
- This term is used in music and writing
- In photography it is about how you arrange the elements of your scene within your frame remembering everything in your frame is an element in your picture and if you change an element like move your model you are changing the composition and subsequently can change the feeling and/or the understanding of the image.
- Remember that you can also change the composition of the shot to change the mood or understanding of the image.
- Photography lies!!!! You are in control, but moving the frame or asking the model to move can change all these elements.
- The viewpoint of the picture is where you place the camera in order to take the image, moving this is a really good way to change the composition of the image.



Types of composition....

- Frame within a Frame
- Leading Lines
- Symmetry
- Rule of Thirds
- Rule of Odds
- Rule of Evens
- Triangles
- Space



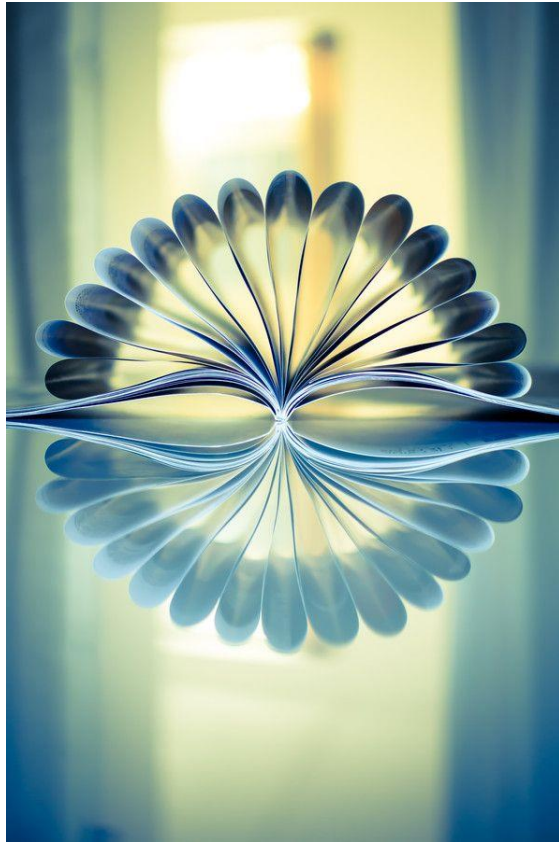
Frame within a Frame

Adds interest and draws the viewers eye to the model usually in the centre of the fame.



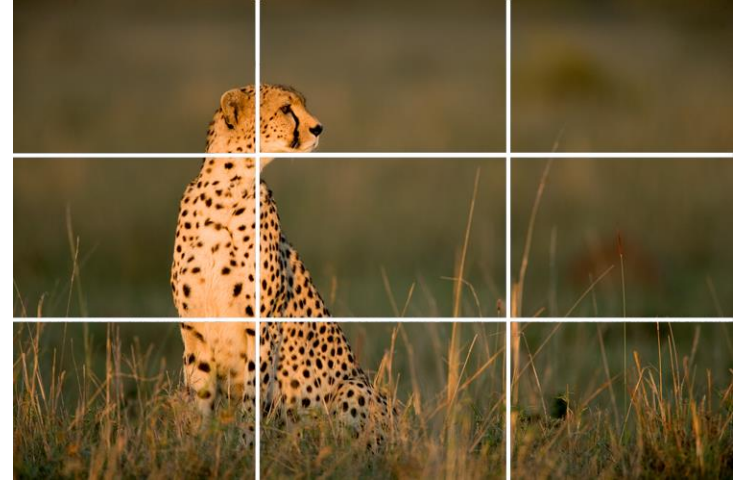
Leading Lines

Establishes lines that lead the eye to a chosen spot within the image.



Symmetry

Enhances an element of awkwardness



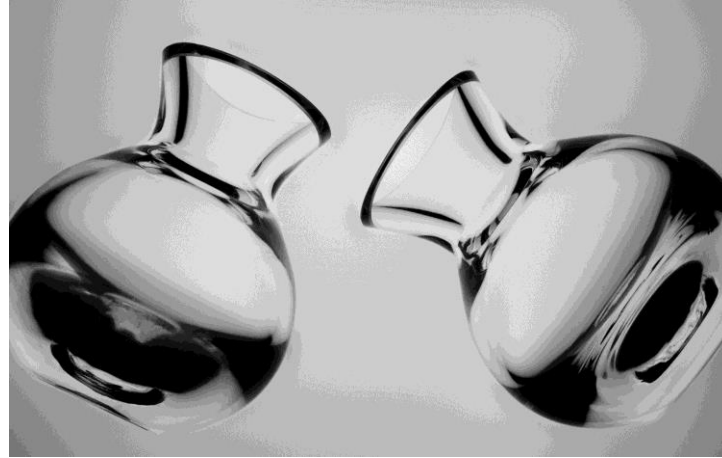
Rule of Thirds

Works on a grid of 9 equal squares placing main subjects within one third of the frame



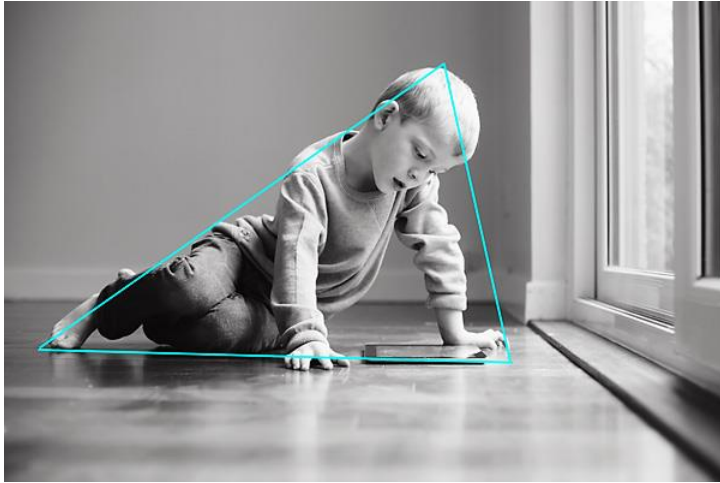
Rule of Odds

Odd numbers have a natural feeling in the frame and can help draw the eye to the central object.



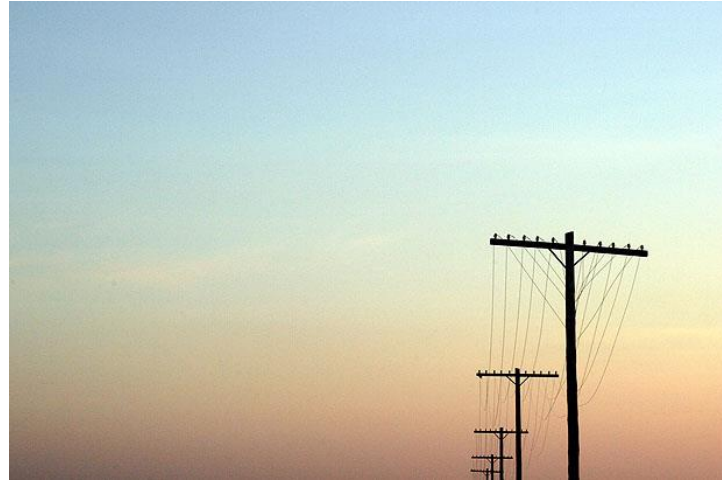
Rule of Evens

Even numbers of objects or subjects eases the feeling of tension and unnatural look of the image



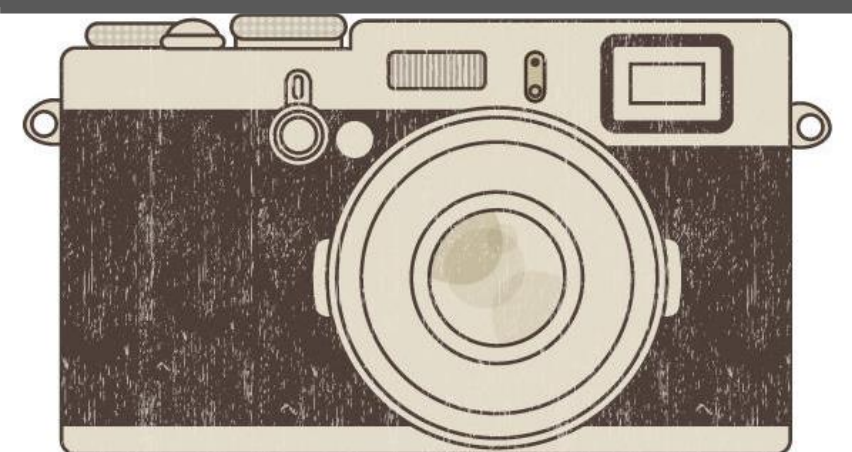
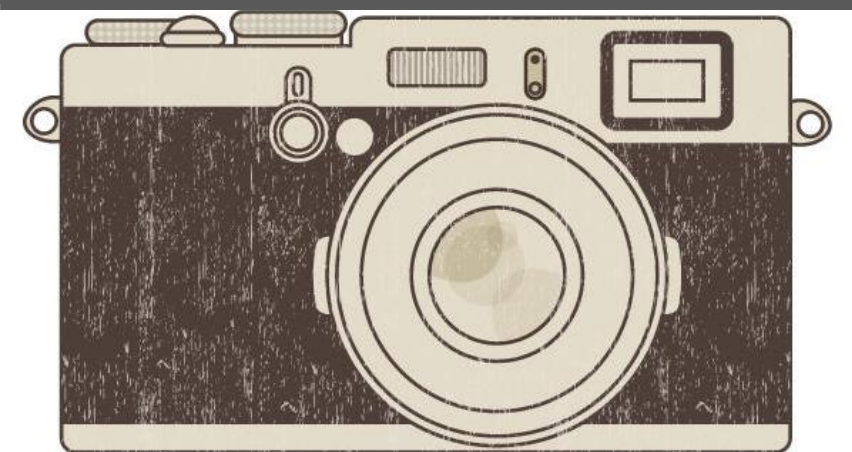
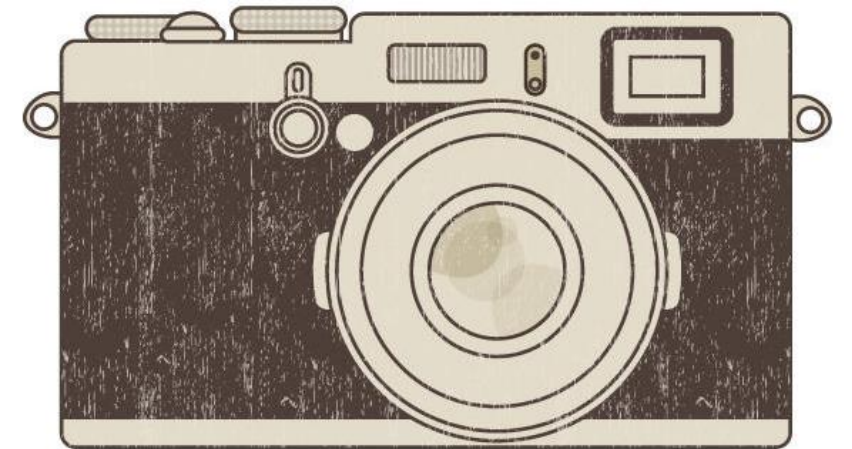
Triangles

Can be used to enhance a feeling of strength



Space

Creating space can enhance the image



Tasks

- Write up the different types of composition and take at least 3 photographs that depicts the different rules in your sketchbook book. You must also give examples from the internet. Make sure you include the camera settings with your images....
- Frame within a Frame
- Leaning Lines
- Symmetry
- Rule of Thirds
- Rule of Odds
- Rule of Evens
- Triangles
- Space