



NC-SkillsUSA
Photography Contest
Secondary/Post-Secondary Category Examples

This document is to assist advisors in preparing for the NC-Skills USA Photography Contest. Contestants compete in ten different categories, each worth 100 points. Below are examples of entries and images for each contest.

I-II. Field Assignment

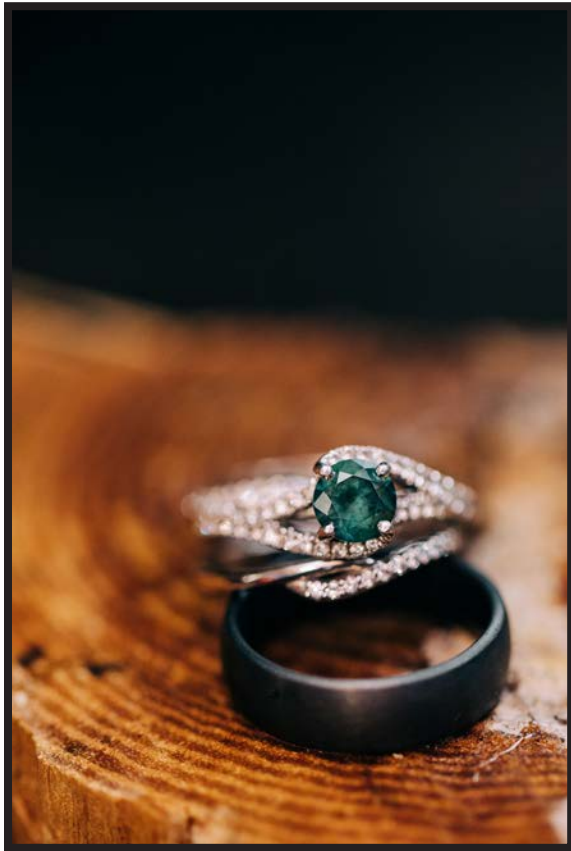


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III. Color Correction



IV. Studio Product/Portrait Photography



V. Adobe Photoshop



VI. Troubleshooting/Color Balance

Troubleshooting

The following is a list of some of the more common problems that occur in digital photography. Some of these occur in the camera, some in the computer, and some in the printer.

- Out of focus
- Camera shake blur
- Blur due to subject movement
- Blur due to shallow depth-of-field
- Sensor dust
- Bronzing
- Blooming
- Color fringing
- Clogged inkjet nozzle
- Improper white balance
- Ink ran out during printing
- JPEG artifacts
- Lens distortion
- Lens flare
- Pixelization
- Rastering
- Aliasing
- Moiré pattern
- Digital noise
- Over-exposure
- Over-sharpening
- Poor copy & paste / edges
- Posterization
- Under-exposure



Camera Shake



Improper White Balance



Pixelated

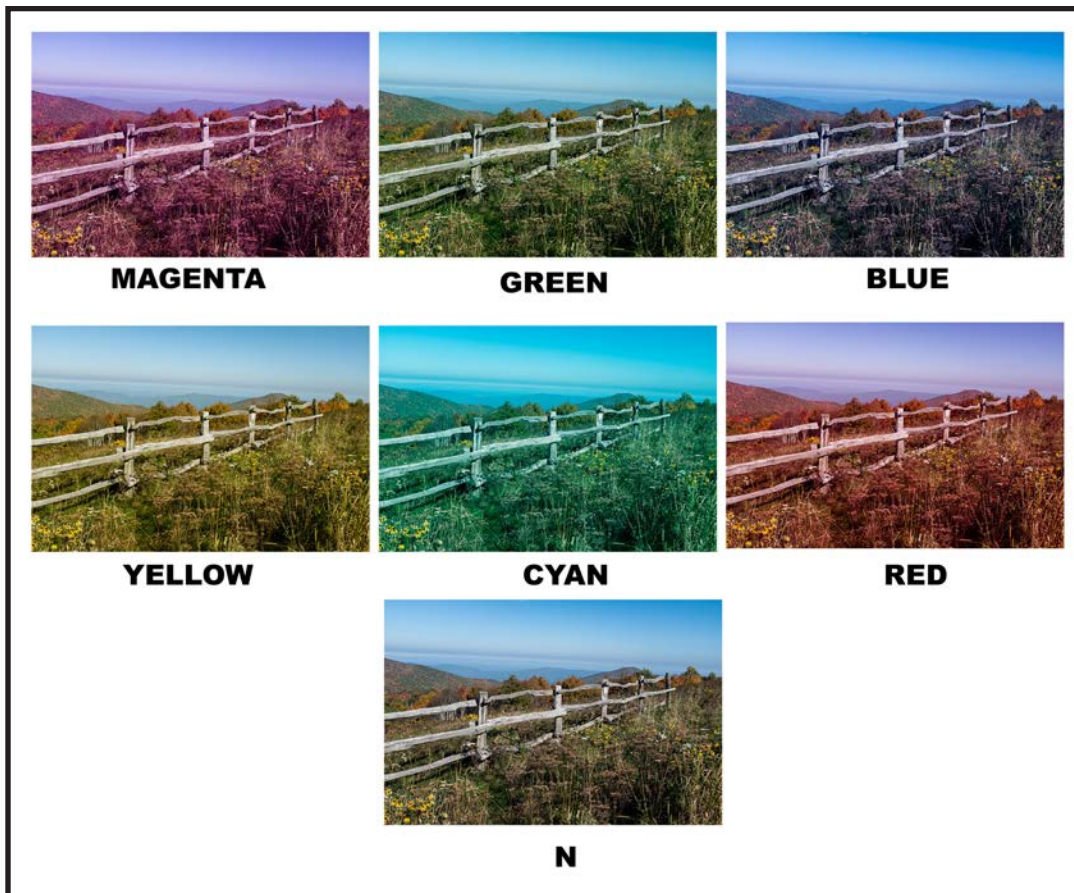


Over-exposed



Over-sharpened

Color Balance



VII. Written Test

The words “picture” and “element” were combined to create what word?

- A Pica.
- B Pictel.
- C Pixel.
- D Pigment.

Answer: **C Pixel**

Freelance photographers

- A Can count on a steady source of income
- B Have insurance benefits and vacation time
- C Work only 40 hours a week
- D Are self-employed business people.

Answer: **D Are self-employed business people.**

In order to copyright one of your photographs, you must

- A Be a professional photographer
- B First register it with the Library of Congress Copyright Office
- C First publish it
- D Be the creator of the image

Answer: **D Be the creator of the image**

VIII. Job Interview

Resumes

[Your Name]
[Street Address] | [City, ST ZIP Code] | [phone] | [email]

Objective
Type your occupational objective here. For example: I am a beginning carpenter who has received two semesters of classroom and hands-on training. I am seeking a position as an assistant carpenter with the hopes of entering an apprenticeship program upon graduation.

Education

- [School Name, City, State]
- [Degree or anticipated degree] | [Date of Graduation or anticipated date of graduation]
- [Major or area of concentration relevant to your job application]
- [You might want to include your GPA here and a brief summary of relevant coursework, awards, and honors]

Experience

[Dates From - To]
[Job Title] | [Company] | [Location]

[This is the place for a brief summary of your key responsibilities and most stellar accomplishments.]

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[Job Title] | [Company] | [Location]

[This is the place for a brief summary of your key responsibilities and most stellar accomplishments.]

Awards and Acknowledgments

- [List any awards or acknowledgements that you have received, particularly those relevant to the position you would like to apply for]

John Smith
101 Hope Rd. Sanford, NC 28602 [828-631-1234] [johnsmith@gmail.com]

Objective
My goal is to have a job as a photographer upon graduation from Cleveland Community College. I strive to be placed in an environment that continuously challenges me and helps to grow and build upon my photography skills.

Education

Cleveland Community College, Sanford, NC Expected May 2023
Associate in Applied Science in Photographic Technology

Sanford High School, Sanford, NC May 2021

Experience

Owner, John Smith Photography, Sanford, NC 2019-Present
Specialize in portraiture in NC and SC

Freelance Sports Photographer, Sanford High School, Sanford, NC 2017-2019

Yearbook Sports Photographer, Sanford Middle School, Sanford, NC 2015-2017

Awards and Acknowledgments

- **Beta Club Officer**, Sanford High School 2020
- **President's List**, Cleveland Community College Fall 2020
- **Group Photography Exhibit**, Sanford Mall, Sanford, NC 2020
- **1st Place Regionals Student Photography Exhibit** 2017-2018
- **Citizenship Award**, Sanford Middle School 2017
- **Beta Club**, Sanford High School 2017
- **2nd Place Regionals and 3rd Place State, Student Photography Exhibit** 2016-2017
- **President**, FFA Local Chapter 2016
- **Junior Beta Club**, Sanford Middle School 2016
- **1st Place Regionals Student Photography Exhibit** 2015-2016

Interview questions examples:

Where do you see yourself in the 10 years?

How do you measure success?

IX-X Print Judging



Print and Mat Dimensions



3"

14"

20"

3"

2.5"

11"

2.5"

16"