

Texture: Another Element of Design



Digital Photography
Unit

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Learning Intentions: 1. To learn about the elements of design, specifically, **texture**.



2. To see and capture the elements of texture in photographs.

3. To use texture to create powerful images with digital photography.

Texture...

In photos,
texture is about
the surfaces of
things.



Texture makes a photo stronger by giving clues that tell what the subject 'feels' like in real life.





Texture
allows your
eye to
"touch" the
subject.

Texture makes a 2-D photo seem more like the actual 3-D subject.





Light
direction
is the key
to
showing
texture.



Low light angles create more shadows which creates that 3-D look and 'feel'.



Taking the photo from an extreme angle is also effective.

The difference between line and texture is angle.

Your assignment:

1. Take several photos of texture.
2. Use the lesson ideas to help you 'see'.
3. Also look for line, remember rule of thirds and use other tips from previous lessons to create a strong photo overall.
4. Please behave appropriately if outside of the classroom.

References

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