

Assignment - Cover Shots

This is a great assignment to return the conversation back to photographic composition. There's a bounty of assignments that you can create to highlight cover shots. I'll provide a few ideas below.

1. Found Cover shots

Teacher writes a one minute narration on a subject that students are covering in class. For example World War 1 or Native Canadians involvement in the War of 1812 or Hunger Games. Anything. Students then need to identify shots that they'd like to find that match with the narration. Then they find the shots and organize them into a folder. Then they edit shots together with the narration in the background.

2. Created Cover Shots

Teacher writes a one minute narration about the school. IE sports, arts, school culture. Students write out their planned cover shots. Students video cover shots. Edit narration and shots together. Admin will love this assignment. Make sure criteria includes - number of shots, shot selection CU, WS, Canted. Focus on photographic composition.

3. Student writes narration on an interest of theirs. 1 minute in length. How many words is that? About 150. As you'll learn in the above exercise - it's difficult to craft a short piece of writing that captures all that you want to communicate. Either found cover shots online, created cover shots (still and video), or combination of both.

4. Biography Assignment

Watch the one that I did in the tab 'Biography'. The criteria is there in the video. Watch it and build the criteria as a class. Maybe add in an interview or two - friends or family answer 1 question. This might likely complicate so probably stick to the simple version which still takes time and planning to execute.