

Photo Collage Project Guide Sheet

Looking for a fun yet educational hands-on project for kids to do? Consider this digital imaging collage activity.

1. Decide What to Include

Ask your students to focus on a specific topic. Talk about places they may have visited, books they read, people in their lives or something that they are interested in sharing about themselves.

2. View the Imaging Videos from www.NortelLearnIT.org

Watch these **FREE** short, specific and engaging **streaming videos to build skills in taking digital photos, downloading free software to edit a collage and distributing the finished product to family and friends.** Watch them at home, in a classroom or wherever you have Internet connectivity.

[Introduction to Digital Images](#)

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[PhotoShop-Collage Project](#)

[Irfanview-Collage Project¹](#)

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Learn the basics about creating and using digital images
 Overview of the collage project and how to create one
 Understand how to operate and use your digital camera
 Learn how to compose your photo shoots for impact
 Find pictures of events, places, etc. on the web
 PhotoShop is the leading graphics software program
 Irfanview is a free alternative to PhotoShop
 Understand the difference between a print or web collage
 Getting the best quality collage out of your printer

¹ If you don't have PhotoShop, Use Irfanview

3. Acquire Images

Point and shoot with the camera, use your scanner or search the web and find representative digital images. Upload the camera images to your computer and save all pictures to a folder that's easy for you to locate.

4. Create and Share the Collage

Use your graphics program to open, edit and place your images on a new 'canvas'. Add a title to personalize your collage



Irfanview can be downloaded for free at – www.irfanview.com

Save your collage as either a graphic or web document (aka HTML file)



Tip-Be sure to create a new folder to save all of the pictures AND your finished collage in it.

Share your collage. You can choose to print, email or post your graphic on a web site.



Use a free website to post your collage – www.geocities.com

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