

Photography Assignment: Dollar Store Challenge

Objective:

You've got a new subject—something from the dollar store! Your task is to create a **set of 5 photos** featuring this object. The challenge? Experiment with different settings and push your creativity using various composition techniques.

What You Need to Do:

Choose a dollar store object (from the ones provided in class).

Place it in **at least 3 different settings**—this could be indoors, outdoors, on a table, in front of a window, etc.

Apply a range of composition techniques to make your photos visually interesting.

You'll be using either a **50mm lens** or a **mild zoom lens** (for those who have access to them). No tripods are available, so you'll need to hold the camera steady by hand.

Deadline:

Your 5 photos need to be uploaded to our **gallery site** by **next Thursday, 10/10/2024**

Composition Techniques to Try:

Rule of Thirds: Divide your frame into thirds and position your subject along these lines or at the intersection points.

Leading Lines: Use lines in the background or environment to draw the viewer's eye toward the subject.

Framing: Find natural elements like windows, doors, or trees to "frame" your object within the shot.

Negative Space: Include lots of empty space around your subject to make it stand out.

Fill the Frame: Get close and fill the frame with your subject for a more intimate and detailed shot.

Contrast: Look for contrasting colors, light and dark areas, or textures to make the subject pop.

Symmetry & Patterns: Incorporate symmetrical elements or repetitive patterns in the background to add visual interest.

Submission Details:

- Ensure your photos are **edited and finalized** before uploading. All files need to be named Photogname.dollar.2024. example: *nickomiller.dollar.2024.jpg*
- Upload your set of 5 images to the gallery on our class site no later than **Thursday, 10/10/2024**

This project is all about exploring new ways to make a simple object stand out. Experiment, have fun, and challenge yourself to capture creative compositions!