Unit III - The Video Camera

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Unit Overview

The students will learn how the Video Camera works and the equipment needed to operate it.

Transfer

Students will be able to independently use their learning to...

- Types of Cameras
- Parts of the Camera
- Mounting the Camera
- Camera Care
- Basic Rules of composition
- White Balancing
- Depth of field
- Camera Movements

Meaning

Understandings

After completing this unit, students will be able to:

- Explain the difference between the various video cameras available
- Identify each part of a video camera and note the corresponding function.
- Differentiate between the focal length and the focal point related to a zoom lens.
- Explain the interrelationship between f-stop, the iris, and aperture in controlling light.
- Understand how the white balancing a camera affects the picture.
- Summarize how the depth of field contributes to composing a good picture.
- Identify the composition of each type of camera shots.
- Illustrate a variety of camera movements.
- Explain how a videographer can psychologically and physically affect the audience.

Essential Questions

- How do I use a video camera?
- What do I use to make my shot look professional?
- How do I control the amount of light going in to the video camera?
- What does White Balancing a camera do?
- Why does my shot not look like what I see on TV?
- Moving the camera and tripod is called....

Application of Knowledge and Skill

Students will know...

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- How to explain the difference between the various video cameras available
- How to identify each part of a video camera and note the corresponding function.
- How to differentiate between the focal length and the focal point related to a zoom lens
- How to explain the interrelationship between f-stop, the iris, and aperture in controlling light.
- How to understand how the white balancing a camera affects the picture.
- How to summarize how the depth of field contributes to composing a good picture.
- How to identify the composition of each type of camera shots.
- How to illustrate a variety of camera movements.
- Explain how a videographer can psychologically and physically affect the audience.

Students will be skilled at...

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• Identifying the parts of a video camera.

- Perform basic functions on a video camera.
- Differentiate between the focal length and focal point related to a zoom lens
- Explain the interrelationship between f-stop, the iris, and aperture in a controlled light environment.
- Setting the White Balance of the camera.
- Composing a good shot
- Using the correct terminology to move the camera.

Academic Vocabulary

aperture auto-focus auto-iris circuit camcorder camera control unit camera head charge coupled device convertible camera diopter adjustment dolly drag fast lens fluid head focal length focal point focus friction head f-stop gain hot iris jib lens optical center pan handle pedestal column pedestal control remote control unit shutter slow lens studio camera studio pedestal subjective camera target tighten tripod tripod head variable focal length lens viewfinder

widen zebra stripes zoom in zoom lens zoom lenses zoom out

arc

arc left arc right bust shot close-up depth of field dolly dolly in dolly out establishing shot extreme close-up extreme long shot four shot great depth of field group shot head room high angle shot knee shot lead room long shot low angle shot macro medium close-up medium long shot medium shot mid shot minimum object distance narrow angle shot nose room over-the-shoulder shot pan pan left pan right pedestal pedestal down pedestal up pre-focus profile shot pull focus rack focus reaction shot rule of thirds selective depth of field shallow depth of field shot

shot sheet three shot tilt tilt down tilt up truck truck left truck right two shot white balance wide angle shot

Learning Goal 1

Students will understand the parts and the functions of a video camera.

Target 1

Students will be able to identify the parts of a Video Camera.

Target 2

Students will be able to understand what the functions of a video camera are.

Learning Goal 2

Student will differentiate between the focal length and focal point related to a zoom lens.

Target 1

Students will be able to explain the focal length and be able to demonstrate different focusing techniques.

Target 2

Students will be able to explain the zoom lens works and demonstrate techniques on how to use the zoom lens.

Learning Goal 3

Students will be able to explain how to compose a good shot, move the camera with the proper terms, and how White Balancing can effect the picture.

Target 1

Students will be able to explain how to compose a good shot, and be able to point out when a shots composition is wrong.

Target 2

Students will be able to explain and demonstrate the camera movement terms by using them to move the camera.

Target 3

Students will be able to explain why and how to proper White Balance a camera shot.

Summative Assessment

Written/Performance Assessment

21st Century Life and Careers

CRP.K-12.CRP1 CRP.K-12.CRP2 Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee.

Apply appropriate academic and technical skills.

unicate clearly and effectively and with reason.
strate creativity and innovation.
valid and reliable research strategies.
critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
integrity, ethical leadership and effective management.
lucation and career paths aligned to personal goals.
hnology to enhance productivity.
roductively in teams while using cultural global competence.

Formative Assessment and Performance Opportunities

Written Assessment

Performance Assessment

Accommodations/Modifications

Multiple charts and diagram handouts of the cameras, lenses, and accessories

Online videos of the parts of a camera and their uses

Enrichment opportunities: Video assistance outside the classroom

Differentiation: 504 accommodations and IEP modifications

Unit Resources

Television Production & Broadcast Journalism Text Book

Television Production & Broadcast Journalism Workbook

TV Studio Camera