



**NAVIGATE  
YOUR CITY  
THROUGH YOUR  
CHILD'S LENS**



## PHOTOGRAPHY

Photography has this beautiful way of indirectly teaching learners how to foster visual literacy skills everyday by engaging in meaningful discussions.

**Side Note:** Recently I discovered my daughter listened to rap when something really bad happened to her 'favorite rapper'. Mommy guilt started to set in and then I had to remind myself that kids interests are forever changing as they grow and evolve. It doesn't make you a bad parent if you missed something.

### GETTING STARTED

First, make your conversations relatable by asking them what do they pay attention to the most when they visit someplace new  
Second, who, what, when, where, why questions are a great followup as it helps learners understand that they intentionally choose certain things when taking a photo.

### FINISHING UP

It doesn't matter how old you get, there is a reason why this practice started in your early years of learning by your teachers. Seeing your work hung in a gallery style makes you feel proud, accomplished and fulfilled. Find a space on that wall at home and proudly display photos in a frame.



# Getting Started with Photography

1.

Ask your child what inspires them even if you already know the answer. The key is to connect on a common ground and get them engaged in a conversation. As children get older, they start speaking to their parents less.

2.

Invest in a professional camera. I transitioned to an I-Phone earlier this year and the picture quality is amazing. However, using a professional camera will spark a greater interest to pursue this art form as a career or beyond.

3.

Get up close and personal. Lean into the details of a flower bud, or the details on a rock, or insects going about their day. Details matter and will certainly translate into English Language Art, Mathematics, and other academic subject areas.

4.

Document the process and share. Film makers and other artists are continuously looking online to find inspiration for their next project.



# Basic Equipment For Beginners

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