

Exam prep check list Photography 2018:

1. Front page
 - Title of exam question – Title page
 - Copy out the exam question
2. Research
 - A page each minimum on three photographers/artists mentioned in the question
 - Include images – minimum of 8 each photographer (make sure they are relevant to the question)...you can include others as examples of their work but make it clear which ones the exam board want you to focus on.
 - Include your own opinion of their work using photography/art language.
3. How will you be inspired by their work?
 - Write a paragraph about what you will try out or mind map your ideas
 - Will you use their colours/will they be black and white?
 - Their compositions?
 - The subject matter in their photos?
 - Are there technique's or processes that you need to research? All of this should be documented in your book (lighting techniques, processes such as image transfer onto fabrics etc) Experiment with the techniques, write about and include the outcomes from this experimentation.
4. Start taking photos
 - Start taking photos to respond to each Photographer
 - Stick in contact sheets
 - Select 1 or 2 images to edit (annotate- Why these have been selected?)
 - Present the edits as an idea (annotate-How have these gone?)
5. Refinement of your ideas - Repeat step 4 at least 4 times (the more times you do this the better) Do you have another relevant photographer to add in?
6. You now have at least 4 final piece ideas, write about
 - Which one is strongest?
 - How can it be refined (made better)?
7. Retake the photos for your best idea....(if you are doing a question where the photos aren't studio based)
8. How will you present your work – is it a straight forward photograph that will just need mounting? or a series of photographs? Is it part of an installation or a 3D presentation?
9. **You are now ready for your exam**
 - **Plan your 10hrs**
 - **How will you edit it?**
 - **How will you present it?**
 - **What do you need to bring in?**
 - **Have we got all of the materials you need in the room?**

YOU ARE NOW READY FOR YOUR EXAM

It is VITAL you have your preparation (sketchbook) with you on the first day of the exam. It is not allowed to leave the room after the 8th May. Your final piece must be completed by 3.05 on 9th May - this includes any mounting.

