

4H Photography Evaluation Rubric

Entry # _____ Date: _____

Member Name: _____ Age: _____

Club: _____ Title: _____

Junior(9/10) Intermediate (11-13) Senior (14+)

	Level 1 (1 Point)	Level 2 (2 Points)	Level 3 (3 Points)	Level 4 (4 Points)	Points
Focus	Photo is out of focus and lacks detail.	Photo is mostly clear and shows some detail but sharpness could be improved.	Photo is sharp and adequately detailed. Main subject in focus, unless blurriness is obviously intentional (ex: to show motion).	Sharpness is excellent and details pop. Any blurriness is intentional and adds to overall effect	
Exposure and Lighting	Lighting is poor or inappropriate. Lacking in or inappropriate contrast, highlights or shadows	Lighting and contrast are somewhat appropriate but could be improved	The range contrast is appropriate. The image is not over or under exposed, unless it is obviously intended.	Excellent use of lighting, contrast and exposure	
Composition	Some necessary elements cut off and/or many distracting elements. No care seems to have been taken in creating the image.	Most necessary elements included and/or some distracting elements are present. Image elements could have been better arranged	Adequate inclusion of necessary elements with little distractions. Overall composition is acceptable.	Contains all necessary elements with no distractions. Great care has been taken in composing the image.	
Creativity Use of Subject	Subject not easily identified due to excessive clutter or lack of detail	Subject is identifiable but clutter exists or detail is lacking	The subject can be easily identified, and captured in a creative way. Photograph not over cluttered with many subjects.	Excellent use of subject to deliver a message in a creative way. No extraneous elements	
Uniqueness	Image exhibits no creativity or uniqueness.	The image contains some creative elements but lacks in overall uniqueness or is not executed well.	The image appears unique throughout by use of camera angle, lighting, character studies or other creative elements.	Uniqueness of photo is outstanding and well executed.	
Visual Impact on Viewer	Nothing to draw viewer in. Does not hold viewer's attention	Photograph has some appealing qualities	Photograph is visually appealing	Catches the eye, draws viewer in and holds viewers attention	

Total Points: _____

Judge's Name: _____

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Comments: _____