

5 top tips to take great family photos from

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1 Blame your tools!



Using a proper camera instead of just the camera in your mobile phone will give you a higher quality. That means if you get a great photo you want to blow up as a poster or make in to a canvas print, then that image will stay sharp and clear.

As a rule, you need to take an image using a minimum 8 Mega Pixel camera in order to blow up the (properly focused) image to a canvas print size of 30 x 40 inches.

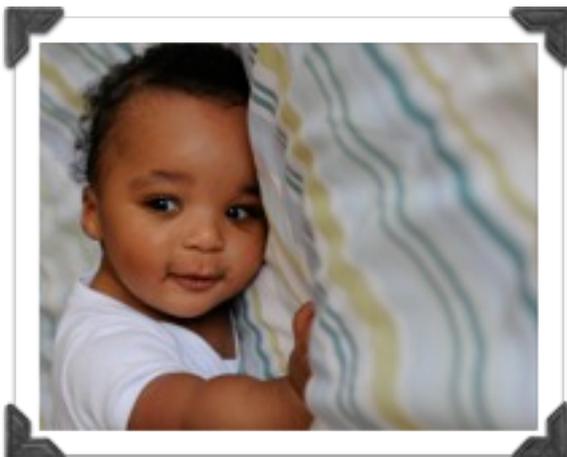
2 Tell a story



It's more important that the photo tells you a story than being arty - for example, the photo below was blown up to a canvas print and shows a 'blended family' - a family where father and daughter have merged into a new family, the father re-marrying and a new baby joining this brand new family.

The photo also has context - the house behind them is of their shared home.

3 Take lots of photos



It sounds obvious, but with digital photography you can afford to take more photos than when using film, and children grow and change so quickly that taking quality photos often is essential to capture each special month or year of their lives.

Quality family photos make fantastic presents, which [you can order online](#) and collect from our Snappy Snaps shop in Mayfair.

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4 Don't say "Cheese!"



Natural photos are more effective. Be patient and grab those special moments as and when they happen, instead of trying to stage your photos.

Think about the backgrounds - outdoor photos give more choice for interesting backgrounds and natural daylight is 'kinder' than flash or electric lighting.

5 Know when to say no



The better photos you take, the more likely you are going to be asked to 'take the photos' at key events in the lives of your friends and families.

Unless you are prepared to not participate in the event other than as the photographer (no drinking, no partying, being at all the right places at all the right times throughout the whole day), then you would be wise to 'just say no' and suggest that a professional should be brought in for any major event (like a wedding or a bar mitzvah) in order to maintain those long term friendships and family relationships!

How can we help you?



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