

Looking for a fun yet educational hands-on project for kids to do? Consider this digital imaging collage activity "What I Did This Summer"

## 1. Decide What to Include

Ask the kids what they did this summer. Talk about places they may have visited, books they read or movies they went to, the people that they saw and anything that stands out as being special about their summer.

## 2. View the Imaging Videos from [www.NortelLearnIT.org](http://www.NortelLearnIT.org)

Watch these **FREE** short, specific and engaging **streaming videos to build skills in taking digital photos, downloading free software to edit a collage and distributing the finished product to family and friends.** Watch them at home, in a classroom or wherever you have Internet connectivity.

[Introduction to Digital Images](#)  
[Digital Imaging Project](#)  
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[PhotoShop-Collage Project](#)  
[Irfanview-Collage Project<sup>1</sup>](#)  
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Learn the basics about creating and using digital images  
 Overview of the collage project and how to create one  
 Understand how to operate and use your digital camera  
 Find pictures of events, places, etc. on the web  
 PhotoShop is the leading graphics software program  
 Irfanview is a free alternative to PhotoShop  
 Understand the difference between a print or web collage  
 Getting the best quality collage out of your printer

<sup>1</sup> If you don't have PhotoShop, Use Irfanview

## 3. Acquire Images

Point and shoot with the camera or search the web and find representative digital images. Upload the camera images to your computer and save all pictures to a folder.

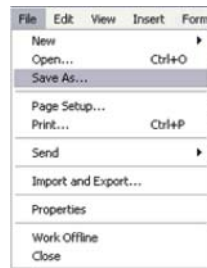
## 4. Create and Share the Collage

**Use** your graphics program to open, edit and place your images on a new 'canvas'. Add a title to personalize your collage



Irfanview can be downloaded for free at – [www.irfanview.com](http://www.irfanview.com)

**Save** your collage as either a graphic or web document (aka HTML file)



**Tip**-Be sure to create a new folder to save all of the pictures AND your finished collage in.

**Share** your collage. You can choose to print, email or post your graphic on a web site.



Use a free website to post your collage – [www.geocities.com](http://www.geocities.com)

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