



Photo Editing

Conversation > Intermediate 5



Exercise 1 – Vocabulary

edit	To prepare something for publication by correcting or otherwise modifying it.
[verb]	<i>Ex: I need to edit this photo before I post it online.</i>

capture	To catch or get hold of someone or something.
[verb]	<i>Ex: This photograph captures his personality perfectly.</i>

resize	To change the size of an image on a computer.
[verb]	<i>Ex: The picture was resized to fit the frame.</i>



show off	To try to impress others by talking about something you have or can do.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: He likes to show off his physical strength.</i>

have got	To have or possess.
[phrase]	<i>Ex: I've got some magazines to read while I'm waiting.</i>

retouch	To make a picture look better by making small changes to it.
[verb]	<i>Ex: He retouched the photos by adding more color and light to them.</i>



Exercise 2 – Dialogue

Choose one character and read the dialogue aloud with your tutor.

Joe: Look at this, Matt. I bought the latest version of Photoshop yesterday.

Matt: I know. You showed it off to our friends yesterday, didn't you?

Joe: Well, I admit I was very excited yesterday.

Matt: Mike and Paul told me that you spent an hour explaining to them how wonderful it was.

Joe: Yeah, it's fantastic!

Matt: But, actually, I'm interested in Photoshop, too! Is it any good?



Joe: It sure is! Oh, I've got some photos to edit today. Would you like to do it with me?

Matt: Sure! That would be great. Thanks.

Joe: Alright, so first, I'll upload all the pictures I captured at the cheerleading contest yesterday.

Matt: I will crop and resize some of these so that their faces are in the center of each picture, right?

Joe: Yes. And I'll retouch them with this latest version of Photoshop!

Matt: Good idea, Joe!



Exercise 3 – Fill in the Blanks

Choose the correct answers from the answer pool below and fill in the blanks.

Answer Pool

retouch
have got
resize
showed off
edit
captures

1. He _____ his new motorcycle that his father bought for him.
2. This photo _____ the best moment.
3. This picture is very big. We should _____ it.
4. I _____ some food to eat while you take a bath.
5. Do you _____ your photos?
6. I need to _____ some photos by adding contrast to them.



Exercise 4 – Role Play

Take turns with your tutor and act out the scene described below.

Scene: You are a photographer and you have to edit some photos, show your friend Nate the process of editing photos. The teacher can be Nate.



Exercise 5 – Discussion

Discuss the following questions with your tutor.

1. Have you ever tried photo editing? What was your experience like?
2. Do you think editing photos is difficult? Why? Why not?
3. Do you think editing photos is fun? Why? Why not?
4. What do you think about editing photos before they're posted online?
5. What do you think are some of the advantages and disadvantages of photo editing?