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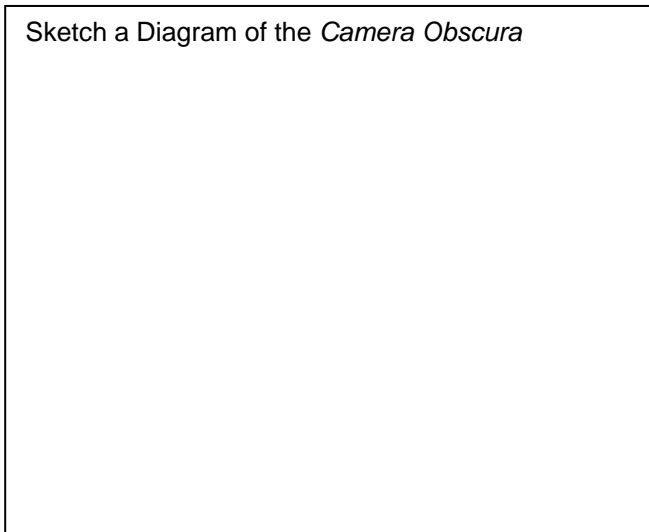
Photography Packet #1

PHOTO HISTORY and PHOTOGRAPHIC STYLE

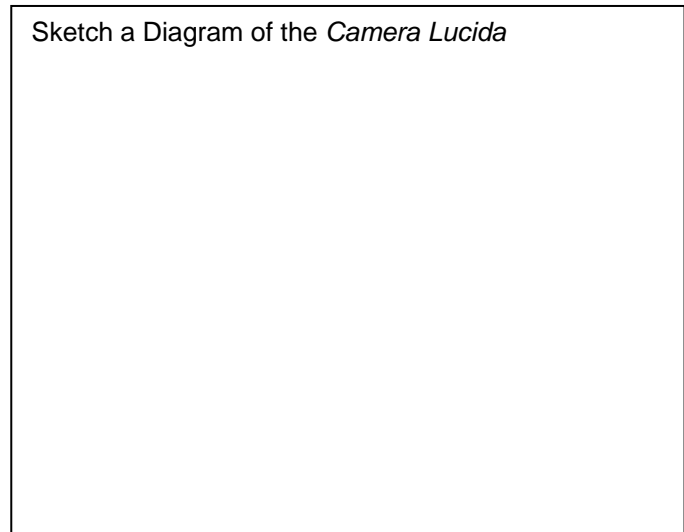
(Use your Internet and book-based research skills to fill out this packet. **There are 12 sections**)

(1) Before photography was invented, the **Camera Obscura** and the **Camera Lucida** were both used to aid people in drawing scenes from nature.

Sketch a Diagram of the *Camera Obscura*



Sketch a Diagram of the *Camera Lucida*



(2) Name two of the famous painters that used the *Camera Obscura* or *Camera Lucida* **before 1830**:

(3) The *C. Obscura* and *C. Lucida* were a way to project an image on a surface, but for photography to really be invented, there had to be developments in the discovery of light sensitive materials (chemicals that react to light). Johann Heinrich Schultze found that Silver Nitrate would turn purple in sunlight. Thomas Wedgwood made photograms on leather treated with light sensitive chemicals. However, he could not make these images permanent.

A chemical that allows darkroom using photographers' images to be permanent and be viewed in light without getting ruined is called **FIXER**. The person who invented that type of chemical is Sir John _____, and he also is credited as bringing the word *photograph* into common usage.

(4) **Photograph** comes from two Greek words. What are they and what do they mean?

Word: _____ Meaning: _____

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(5) The first photograph is considered to be an image produced in 1826 by _____ . It had an exposure time (shutter speed) of 8 hours in bright sunshine. He did not call it photography; rather he called the invention _____graphy.

The title of this photograph is _____

Sketch that first photograph



(6) The person who made that first photograph did not become famous because he partnered with someone who took over the business and started manufacturing and marketing cameras and photosensitive copper plates. He was French and his name is _____. In fact, a whole type of photograph is named after him and it's the _____otype. These types of photographs do not have a negative and are therefore one of a kind. The light would hit the copper plate in the camera and when it was developed, that plate was the image.

(7) There is one other Frenchman who discovered a process of photography, known as direct positive printing, but did not become famous for it. Most of the credit for photography went to the two men above. He was so depressed that he made a self-portrait of himself around 1840 pretending to be dead. It is considered to be the first "staged" / "directed" / "fictional" photograph.

His name is _____

That staged photograph is titled _____

(8) Some contemporary photographers that make staged photographs are Gregory Crewdson, Arno Rafael Minkinen, Lori Nix, and Cindy Sherman's "Untitled Film Stills". Check them out, look at their images, and read a little about them.

****Which is your favorite of the four of them? What specifically do you like so much? Use descriptive words to explain why you like the photographer's work. Do NOT use the following words to explain why you like them: *cool, nice, good, interesting, neat*, etc.

Write at least 4 full sentences below:

(9) In England there was someone who also developed a method of photography. He coated thin paper with light sensitive chemicals, exposed it to light in the camera, and then developed it. Then he used that piece of paper as a negative, and could make as many copies of an image as he wanted. He patented the process, and generously shared the processes and equipment with amateurs. He was wealthy and owned an estate called Lacock Abbey. His name was _____ and he called his photos _____otypes.

(10) Enough of the photo history, lets look at photographers' unique personal style.

Please find a photographer that you like from: <http://www.photoeye.com/Gallery/ArtistsIndex.cfm>

Who did you choose? _____

Sketch three of their photographs:

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Even if a photographer takes pictures of different objects or subjects, often their images all have things in common with each other. Please use very descriptive words and adjectives to list the visual similarities that can be found in their photographs. Look at use of light, angles, points of view, principles and elements of design, etc. when evaluating the similarities in the images.

(11) The similarities in all the images that this photographer makes are: Write at least 4 full sentences below:

(12) What is something that this photographer does that you would like to incorporate into your own photographs? How would you do that? Describe what you would do: Write at least 4 full sentences below:

Using Boolean Operators

AND

If you search for

cat and dog food

you will get web pages that include all three words: cat, dog, and food.

OR

If you search for

cat or dog or food

You will get pages about cats, or ones about dogs, or ones about food

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Use quotations to search for specific phrases. If you search for

“dog food”

You will get pages where the word dog is next to the word food

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If you search for

“dog food” -cat

You will get pages where the word dog is next to the word food but **NO** pages that include the word cat