

VIDEO BOOTCAMP: FOUR YEARS IN TWO HOURS



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- 16 Years experience
- Started in Broadcasting
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What we are covering in the next two hours

- Pre-Production
 - Outline, Storyboard, Script, Shotlist
- Production Equipment:
 - Cameras, Lights, Audio, Stability
- Production Techniques
 - Tips, tricks, and rules
- Post Production
 - Apps, options, best practices

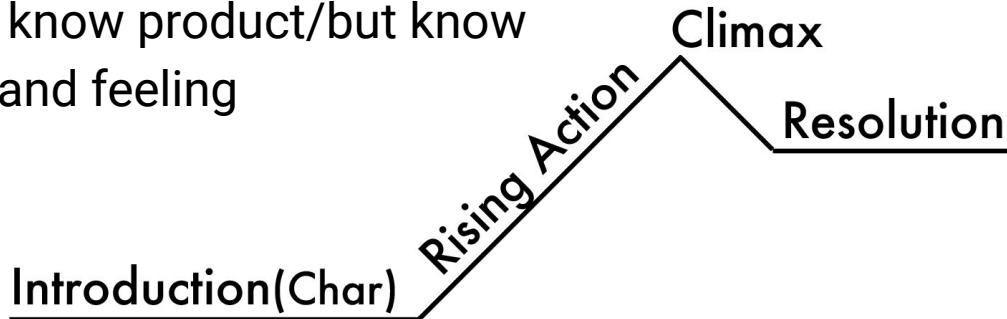
- Not covering specific brand/models unless needed
- www.JoJags.com/WBC
 - Downloads
 - Affiliate links for equipment
 - Recordings, eventually
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Pre-Production: “Begin with the End in Mind”

- Define your avatar (passion, assumed knowledge)
- What is the story/purpose? (WiifM)
 - “Infotaining” Spectrum
- Brainstorm w/o order (chan/vids)
- Outline, Storyboard, Script, Shotlist
- Who/what is the hero?
- Might not know product/but know the basis and feeling
- Story Arc
 - Character Introduction
 - Rising Action
 - Climax
 - Resolution





Step 1: Outline

- Take brainstorm and edit down
 - Lay out in story order
 - “Tell em what you’re going to tell them
 - Split heavy ideas into multi section
 - Clear motivation on what is next
 - How to get here to there
 - Practice with PB&J
- Introduction
 - Main body
 - Supporting topic 1
 - Supporting topic 2
 - Sub topic 1
 - Sub topic 2
 - Supporting topic 3
 - Wrap Up



Step 2: Storyboard

- Get your vision out of your head, and onto paper
- Helps identify shot order and develop shot-list. Mentually visualize.
- Your mind skips details
- Use your phone at the angle
- Add camera angles, audio, dialog
- Need enough cells to convey thought to another person
- What is motivation to the next scene



Production:	Scene:	Date:





Step 3: Script

- Does not have to be word for word. Add jokes and important lines.
- Use letters from Outline. Rewrite it from one medium to another

Video

1A: MS:(*Medium Shot*) Speaker
on center

1B: PiP:(*Picture in Picture*)
speaker upper right, PPT full
screen

1C: OH:(*Overhead Shot*) demo
camera head assembly

1D: TS (*Tight Shot*) Speaker
holding camera

Audio

1A: Speaker: "Welcome to the
new thing we are doing today. We
are going to have so much fun."

1B: Speaker: "This is a little about
me and what you are going to
learn today. You will need these
tools _____

1C: VO(*Voice Over*): "this is how
the camera head goes together"

1D: Speaker: "That was awesome.
Now, go do it yourself!"

1A: Speaker: "Welcome to the new thing we are doing today. We are going to have so much fun."

If I need to give a web site. I will write out things pho-ne-ti-cally like visit my website w w w dot j o j a q s dot com

If I need to take a pause... then I will add ellipse or _____ underlines.

1B: Speaker: "This is a little about me and what you are going to learn today. You will need these tools _____

1C: VO(*Voice Over*): "this is how the camera head goes together"

1D: Speaker: "That was awesome. Now, go do it yourself!"





Step 4: Shotlist

- Mixes script and storyboard
- Know each angle and location
- 1A, 1B, 1C....4A, 4B
- Use checkboxes and keep notes
- Log the date/time file #
- Shoot your last miter cut/glue up

Production		Date	Other Info		
Scene/Shot	Location	Camera	Angle	Dialog	Complete
1A	Auditorium (IN)	Main	MS	"This is what we are doing today..."	<input type="checkbox"/>
Notes:					
1B	Auditorium (IN)		PIP	"This is a little about me and what you are going to learn today"	<input type="checkbox"/>
Notes:					
1C	Auditorium (IN)	Overhead	OH	"this is how the camera head goes together"	<input type="checkbox"/>
Notes:					
2A	Field (out)	Main	WS	"That was awesome. Now, go do it yourself!"	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Part 2: Production Equipment



- More money \neq better
- Law of diminishing returns peaks around \$3k
- Cameras to capture, mics to hear, lights to see, stability to be a Pro.



Production Equipment: Cameras

- Exposure triangle: bigger sensor or lower ap gets more light, but shallow depth of field
- Phones, Mirrorless/DSLR, Action, Full-body/Cinema
 - Mobile phone today is like \$10k camera from 15 years ago
- Image sensor is like pupil: bigger means more light
 - More megapixels does not mean more quality
- Small sensor and glass means more in focus
- Small sensors on Phones and GoPro, then Full-body, biggest is DSLR APS-C and Full Frame



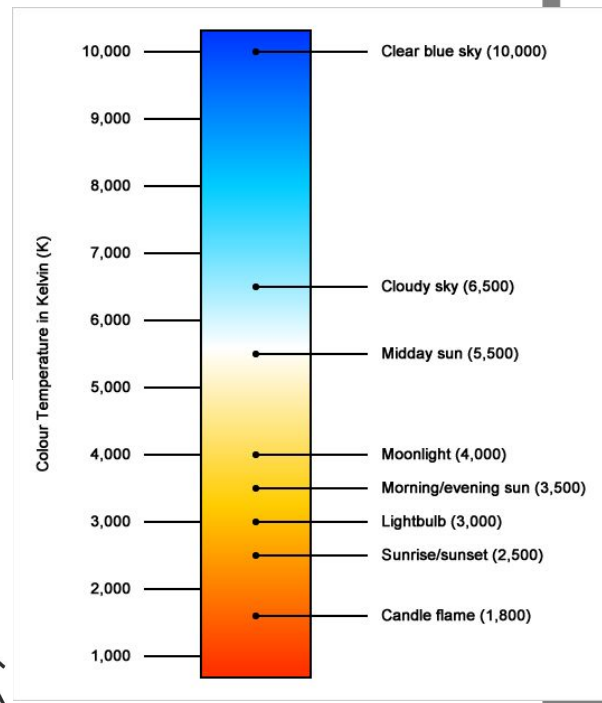
Production Equipment: Audio

- Price DOES equal quality: “You get what you pay for”
- Main types: Cardioid, Hypercardioid, Supercardioid, Dynamic/Condenser
- VO mic for post, lav for talking head, shotgun/hyper for foley
- Voice overs are done over soft surfaces and in rooms with soft surfaces.
- As close to the sound source as possible
- Rec Nat(natural) sound for control track, slap stick for reverb



Production Equipment: Lighting

- Price DOES equal quality: “You get what you pay for”
- Color temp, Lumens, Foot-candles, CRI
- LED vs HMI vs Fluorescent: Fresnel, Softbox
- 3-points,
 - Softbox,
 - Diffusion,
 - Outdoor with bounce card



Production Equipment: Stability

- Tripod, Monopod, Slider, Jib, Gimbals
- Tripod means three points of contact
- Arca-Swiss quick release standard
- Manfrotto (Arca-Swiss) monopods, and their magic arms
- Sliders: manual and motorized for filler
- Jibs are expensive, and Gimbals are a pain to setup
- I Keep a dozen tripods in stock



Part 3: Production Practicum

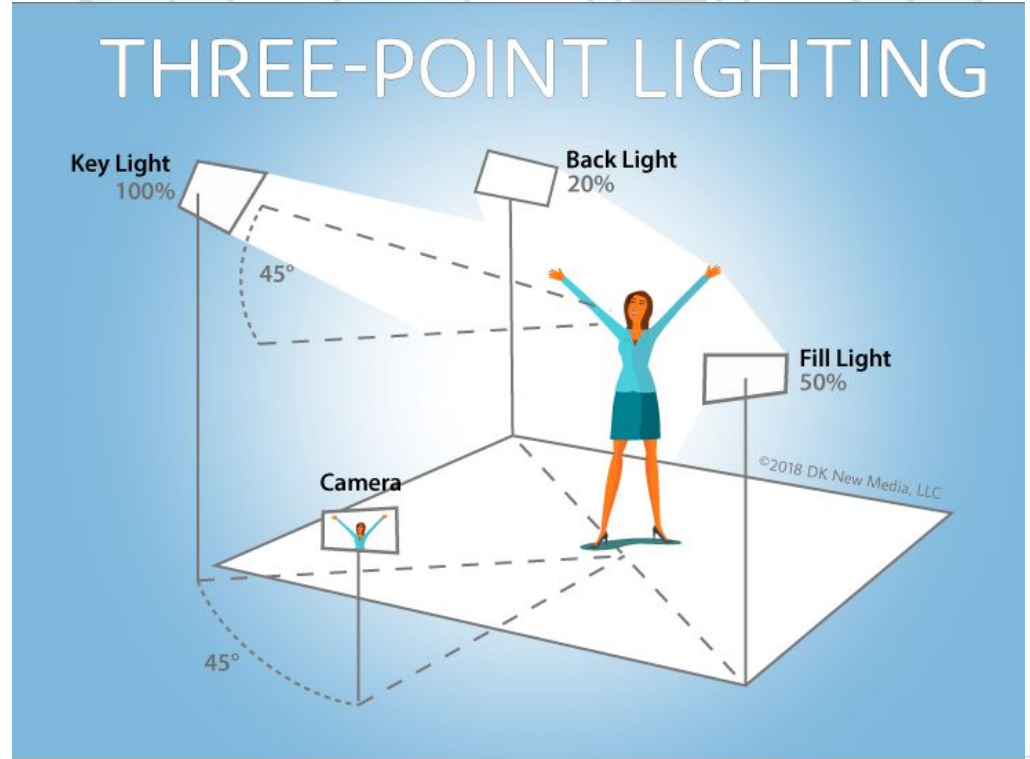


- Book: “How to Shoot Videos that don’t Suck”
- Follow your shot list
- Shoot with the edit in mind
- Go play with yourself

Production Practicum: Lights and Basics

- 3 points of lighting
 - Key, Fill, Back
 - Gives depth/definition
- Bounce card/ reflector
- Raccoon eyes killer
- 60-30-10 mixture

- 10-seconds at a time
- Tripod: 3pts of contact
- Record as material changes shape
- Locked shot is professional



Production Practicum

- Practice w/ short shots (small bites)
- Shoot w/ edit in mind
 - Match pan/tilt/etc
 - Light color/power
- Shoot 3 act in camera (43* miter)
- Make vid under 5 min from Brnstrm
- Fill frame w/ hero; DoF on hero
- 6-10 seconds (breath, move breath)
- Cuts make viewer pay attention
- Extra b-roll for coverage

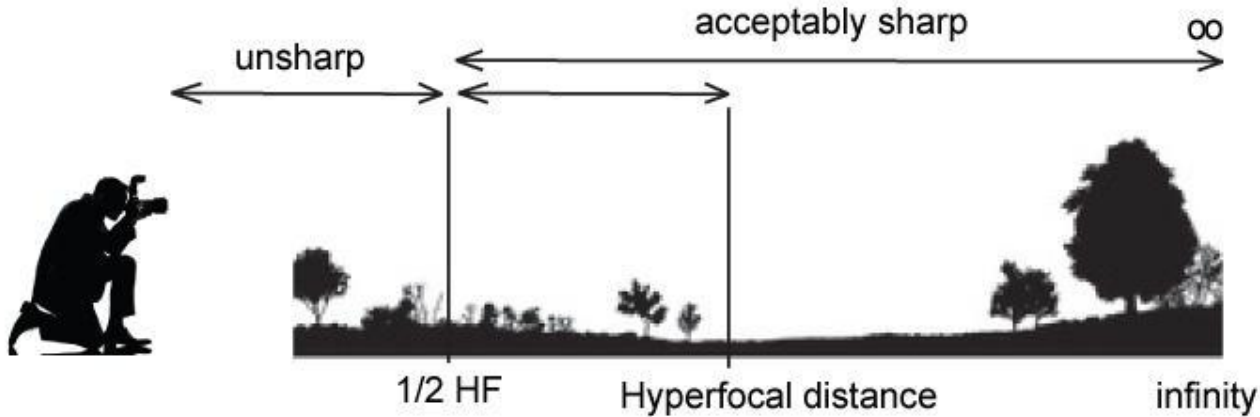
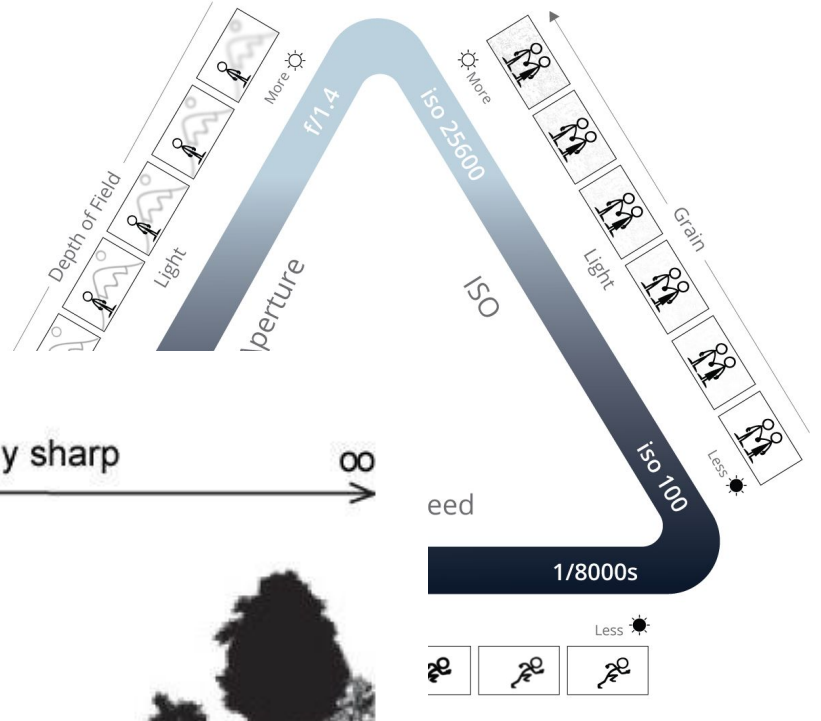


- Place lens where viewer should be
- See the whites of their eyes
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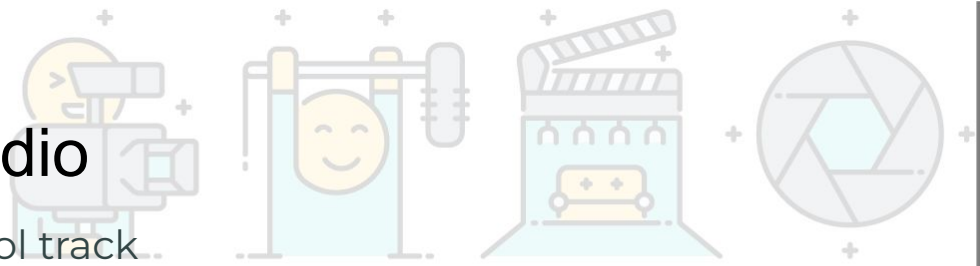
Production Practicum: Camera

- Exposure Triangle
- Depth of Field for large sensors
- Zoom w/ feet
- Whites of their eyes
- Shoot with edit in mind
- Rule of thirds

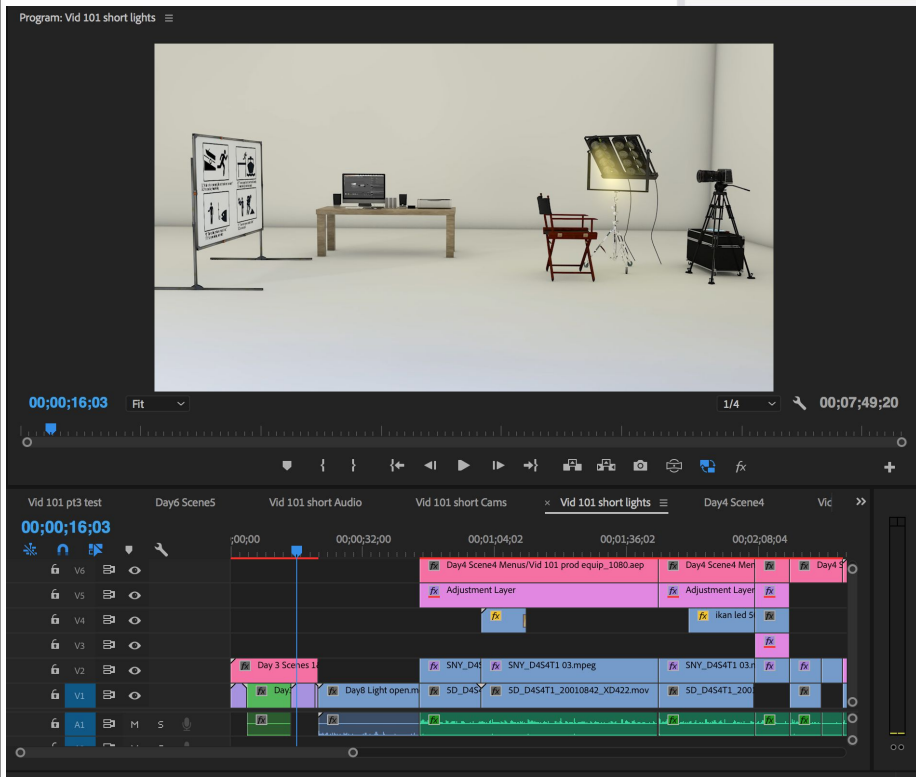


Production Practicum: Audio

- Record Nat(ural) Sound for control track..
- Slap stick for reverb re-creation
- Nat Sound for foley audio to save it (saws @ diff speed/lengths)
- Talk to the editor as you shoot
- -20 to -6db on the meters. Bed at -44db
- Keep mic as close to source as possible

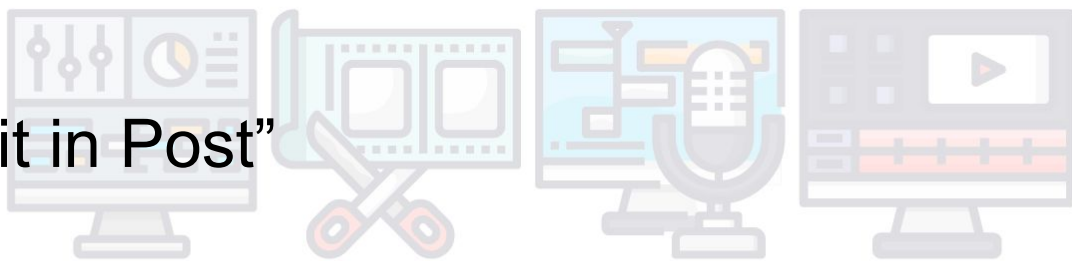


Part 4: Post Production



- Basics are Timelines and Keyframes
- Color Correction w/ Curves
- Motion Graphics add icing to the cake

Post Production: “Fix it in Post”



- File Mgt is first step for now and later. Bins created(01_imports,02_Assets)
- Name files based on shot list/outline
- Edit a-roll first, tell the story, fill the gaps w/b roll on the beat
- Consolidate long recordings into short lossless; delete useless file
- Save GFX and color correction/grading for last
- Proxy editing will save PC; Lossy to Lossless also (talk about 8/10-bit?)
- Audio Ducking methods for VO people
- Foley audio saved for Nat sound and beds
- J and L cuts to welcome to the next scene
- Ripple edit/delete to insert or shift cuts
- Bezier keyframes and Easy Ease



Post Production: “Fix it in Post”

- Basic s-curve on color correction. Use auto button/dropper
 - LOG vs RAW with LUTs (this in, that out) Matrix and The Matrix
 - Export: CBR vs VBR; 4k upconvert for upload?
 - Project Consolidation and archiving (lossy vs lossless in archive)
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- Chroma/Luma Mattes/keys and masks. Tracking masks
 - Layering and adjustment layers



Post Production: “Fix it in Post”



- Many Different Application: iMovie to Avid. On phone and on PC/Mac
 - BlackMagic Davinci Free
 - Sequence, Timeline, Project, Compositions
 - Everything is about Layers and Keyframes
 - Keyframes add motion. **Best:** Position, Scale, Opacity, Audio(db)
- Fades and dissolves for time. Cut on the beats like breath and dance
- Visibility: top layer, down. Keys are hard, alphas add transparency.
- Keyframe Scale and Position to replicate “Ken Burns Effect”
- Static allows for Picture in Picture



Post Production: “Fix it in Post”

- After Effects is the King application. Many are built-in now
- Purchase templates for starting points
- Envato Market, Story Blocks, Digital Juice, etc
- Stock photos/ videos, royalty-free music, backgrounds, templates
- Never use copyrighted content. Always keep paperwork

