



Documentation with Digital Photographs

Why are photographs effective for young children's learning?

- Children begin to think more intensely about the subject
- They make connections between what they already know and what they are investigating
- Photographs make concepts visible
- Photography expands children's sense of time
- Children are interested in photos (especially of themselves!)

How can you use Photographs?

- Field Trips
- Change over time
- Classify information or matching games
- Reflect on an exploration
- Charts or displays to demonstrate children's conclusions
- Spark discussion
- Portfolio assessment
- Create books, bulletin boards, and/or documentation panels for parents.

For more information, see **Picture Science: Using Digital Photography to Teach Young Children**, by Carla Neumann-Hinds