

## UNIQUE PHOTOGRAPHY IDEAS

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I enjoy photography and it has been interesting to try unique photography ideas that I have either seen or thought of. Be sure to zoom in when you want a close-up. If you have a digital camera, you can zoom in even after the picture is taken. Why not try a few of these ideas:

- Baby's hand in Daddy's hand
- Baby's feet in Daddy's hand
- Baby sitting, wearing nothing but a cap, turning back, as you snap the picture
- Baby sitting in a fall basket with pumpkins and colorful autumn flowers all around
- Child hugging pumpkin or bending down to pick it up
- Baby, posed to look like he's just fallen out of a basket
- Baby boy wearing only a diaper and Daddy's necktie
- Baby sleeping on tummy, with knees under tummy - large bow with streamers on his back
- Baby in large clay pot - baby's head sticking out among lots of silk flowers - bow around pot
- Newborn baby held up beside Mom's face - wearing birthday suit, held discreetly, of course
- Hold baby up so the brilliant blue sky and/or a fluffy cloud are in the only background
- Baby holding barbell up in air (Use covered empty tin cans on a dowel rod)
- All the family's hands together in a circle
- All the family's feet together in a circle (with and without shoes and socks)
- All the family's heads together in a circle
- Two members of the family taking a bite out of the same apple at the same time - 123 - Go!
- Small child holding a flower - close-up of chubby little hands, face and flower
- Small child sitting on the base of a large truck or tractor tire
- Toddler trying to pull Daddy in his wagon
- Tiny sleeping baby on Mom and Dad's large bed - photograph entire bed
- Small child standing behind a small chair
- Small child sitting on a small chair
- Small child sitting - call him from the back and snap picture as he turns around
- Child standing with Daddy's shoes on his own little feet
- Little girl in Mommy's high heels

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- Child holding family dog or cat
- Child posing with pet hamster sitting on her on shoulder
- Child leaning over, hugging a big beach ball
- Child holding baseball and bat, wearing a baseball cap
- Child standing by a pillar - with hand resting on pillar
- Toddler standing in birthday suit or diaper, painting picture on easel - snap from back or side
- Future big brother/sister with head on mommy's tummy - talking to and loving unborn baby
- One child teaching another the hand motions of, "Here's the church and here is the steeple. Let's go in and look at all the people."
- Child with blocks
- Child with Teddy bear or doll
- Baby (at about 6 months) sitting in a large stock pot, wearing chef's hat with vegetables in front
- Child with apples all around him. (Also all kinds of fruit and vegetables around him)
- Child with teapot and cup, all dressed up for a tea - wearing a hat with dolls and Teddy bears
- Great-grandma and little girl, all dressed up having a tea party with a big Teddy bear
- Oldest family member holding tiny baby or youngest member of family
- Little girl putting rollers in Mommy's hair from behind, while Mom looks in hand mirror at self
- Profile of a child wearing a hat
- Daddy and child walking down a path - take picture from behind
- Children holding hands, walking away from you - take picture from behind
- Daddy and child fishing, then holding up fish caught
- Child on bike - picture taken from behind wheel of another bicycle with that tire showing also
- Person silhouetted against the moon
- Person silhouetted against the sunrise or sunset
- Person wearing yellow, standing by a blooming crab apple tree against the brilliant blue sky
- Small child, bending over, picking or smelling flower
- Small child blowing a dandelion seed pod
- Child taking a bath with a frog - frog on side of tub and child reaching for it
- Children in bib overalls and baseball caps - arms around each other - snap front and back
- Family all standing together on a Japanese bridge
- Family all standing on the stairs, behind a railing - with youngest peeking through railing
- Lit string of lights on floor - baby on tummy or sitting in the midst of them, looking up at you
- Young child, reaching for an ornament on the Christmas tree

- Picture of your house - each family member sticking head outside of different windows, wearing bright colors (red and green for a Christmas card)
- Toddler walking toward ocean waves - snap from back
- Toddler bending over, picking up sea shells
- Child, balancing as he walks across a log Children, acting out the Christmas story
- Children in bright colors, facing to the side, one behind another, as if in walking formation, but with the leg of one person forming an X with the leg of another.
- Children in bright colors, standing in autumn leaves with hands full of leaves. At the count of 3, they all jump as high as they can and throw the leaves up in the air at the same time.
- Separate close-up shots of different parts of child's body - face, hands, feet, toes, ear, nose, eye, entire body - Frame each part separately and hang together - or use a large frame with smaller frames within.
- Four or five generations of your family
- First day of school each year

#### **A Few Trick Shots:**

\*One person holding another person (or almost anything) in palm of his hand - Position main person closest to you on a lower lever than the person held in the hand. The tiny person or thing which will appear to be in the main person's hand must be back farther and in a higher position. The photographer will give prompting to the main person and to the one farther away, to move left, right, forward or backward, until it appears that the main person is holding the other in the palm of his hand.

\* Falling off of Pikes Peak - pose on top of a cliff as though you are hanging on for dear life. From the view of the photographer, all he can see is the cliff and you against the sky, even though you are on solid ground on the other side of the cliff. Your face should show fear and terror as though you are falling.

\*Another falling shot - Have a ladder up against a sundeck or other high location. Have a young child at the top of the ladder, with Daddy right behind. Shoot a picture of your child pretending to be falling from the sundeck with a terrified look on his face. He won't really be falling, of course, but from where you are standing, the ladder nor Daddy will be visible.

I hope you will have lots of fun trying these photography ideas. They just might put a little more spark in your scrapbooking hobby and framed family pictures!

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