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Do You Believe Your Eyes?

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## Don't Believe Everything You See!

by Julie Gillies

While the world celebrates the latest technological advances, (who doesn't want a Blackberry or a cell phone with a camera?) new technologies can actually make the truth more difficult to discern. Digital camera technology is more accessible than ever, and new and innovative computer programs can add things to a photo that weren't actually there. Most of the time, photo fakery is all about fun. Imagine superimposing a rhino to the picture of Aunt Martha at your backyard barbeque. The results would be hilarious! (Try this at home!)

But photo fakery has its downside. It can be used to mislead or deceive people. Because of the power of imagery, it's easier to believe the unbelievable when you're looking at a picture. If you receive an email showing the preserved remains of a mermaid—tailbones and all—it may be much more convincing than words alone. The prevalence of email rumors using fake photos is rampant. Often they're nothing more than harmless hoaxes. But occasionally unscrupulous persons might try to use a powerfully sad and fake photo to persuade you to give money to a phony cause. In the last few years, some media outlets have been accused of doctoring photos of political and celebrity photos to sway public opinion and attempt to change the outcome of an election.

One famous historical case of photo fakery happened back in 1917, when two young English girls were pictured interacting with fairies. The public was convinced! Even British author Arthur Conan Doyle of Sherlock Holmes fame was hoaxed by the so called Cottingly Fairies. The truth wasn't revealed until 60 years later when one of the photographers admitted to using cardboard cutouts. And that was with old-school cameras!

Often the media will use vivid yet manufactured images in an attempt to influence you to make purchases. How many times have you decided to buy a new gadget because you were convinced by a cool commercial on TV?

Sometimes fakery in commercials is intentionally obvious; the whole idea is designed to capture first your attention and then your wallet. Emotions are powerful tools in advertising, and wise consumers must beware. It often pays to be skeptical.

Students, be technologically aware. The next time you see an image that seems unreal, stop and think. Consider the source. Use wisdom. Research hoaxes on the Internet. Get a second opinion. And most of all, don't believe everything you see.



## explore it

## Use Photography to Express Yourself: Create a Photo Collage

It's fun to use photography to express yourself. Whether you have access to a digital or disposable camera, photo collages and scrapbook pages are a fun, creative way to reveal who you are. If you have a digital camera, you can use a computer program such as Photo Shop or Publisher to produce quality photo composites. But don't panic! If all you've got is a regular camera or no camera at all, you can still produce an interesting collage. Browse through magazines, clipping out pictures that reveal who you are. Think fun or funky, serious or radical! Find pictures that remind you of family and friends. Cut out photos of your favorite food or musical groups, or even clothing styles that you admire. Cut out words, too—anything goes and it's all about YOU!

For your background, you can choose to use scrapbook pages, poster board, or even foam core. Decide on a theme—a main idea. Maybe you'd like to celebrate a recent achievement. Perhaps sports are your passion...then go for it! Find articles and pics of your team and accessorize the page in your team colors. Maybe you'd like more of a family collage—snap new pictures or dig through shoeboxes for old ones. Create clever captions and use your imagination!

Finally, decorate your page using stickers, metallic markers, and whimsical borders. Before you know it, your own personal collage will begin to take shape—you're making a statement! The important thing is to express yourself, be creative, and have fun. Oh—and smile!

## kidzbiz Smart Guy, Nice Guy!

by Leslie Rowe

It takes a lot of patience to be the oldest of six kids in the family; something Jourdan Gabriel has learned from experience. Not only that; "I've learned how not to go crazy!" he said with a laugh. The **Palmetto High School** junior has also learned a few lessons about leadership and community, from his family, church, and by actively participating in Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), the "A-Team," Interact, and Bible Club—all extracurricular clubs at PHS. Through his involvement with these organizations, Jourdan has helped organize fundraisers and raise money for hurricane relief, for the Relay for Life supporting cancer research, for FBLA leadership and competition trips, and too many other good causes to mention! Jourdan also spends time doing a few favorite things, including playing strategy video games and reading his way through two huge bookcases full of books, some inherited from his grandmother. A science fiction/fantasy fan, this guy knows more about *Lord of the Rings* than most, having read not only the popular trilogy but also Tolkien's fictional histories of Middle Earth and The Silmarillion. Jourdan is the kind of guy Frodo would enjoy—really smart and exceptionally nice!



Jourdan Gabriel

## School biz Back Home with Lifelong Learning

Sally Rikard knows what it means to come back home. Because after teaching for 22 years at Bayshore High, three years ago she returned to **Palmetto High School** to teach Business Technology—and she graduated from PHS! Not only that, she was a member of FBLA back then, and now she's a co-advisor of FBLA. But between then and now, Sally has spent her time in a continual state of learning. Think about it! How often does technology change? Minute by minute, that's how often. And



Sally Rikard

Sally's goal is to stay as current as possible so her students are prepared to meet the challenges of business technology today. When the Internet was just starting to become popular outside of academia, Sally was taking HTML and web programming courses. Every year, she participates in conferences and workshops to learn new software trends. She's adept with industry-grade digital technology, including Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign; she's well-versed in the Microsoft Office Suite; and she knows the ins and outs of accounting principles and practices. It's no surprise that her philosophy of teaching revolves around instilling in students a motivation for lifelong learning—that's her enthusiastic passion!

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