Intro to Photoshop - How to Make a Meme

Watch the video on the Class Website under Tutorials called *Intro to Photoshop - How to Make a Meme*. Use this handout to help you with learning how to create your memes, and more importantly how to use Photoshop!

OUTCOME OF THIS TUTORIAL

- Introduction to Photoshop
- How to search for images on Google, including the proper file size, etc
- How to resize an image canvas size
- How to resize an image on the canvas
- How to use the **TEXT** tool
- How to save your Photoshop Document (PSD)
- How to export your images as JPEGs
- How to upload your files to Google Classroom.

TIME	Tutorial Step
0:41	We start at www.google.com to do image searches. We click on Tools and click Size \Rightarrow
1:38	Once you have found the image you want to use, you right click on it and click (If your mouse does not right click, go to Settings, click on Mouse and change right click to Secondary Click)
1:51	Use the Spotlight Icon , to search for Photoshop and open Photoshop .
2:05	With your mouse, click on to create a new document.
2:20	Change the file size from Pixels to Inches , and set your resolution to 300 . Click Create .
3:11	Click on Image in the Menu Bar , then select Image Size Switch it from Pixels to Inches , then set the smallest side to 10 inches.
3:50	You can use $\mathbb H$ to Zoom In, $\mathbb H$ to Zoom Out, and $\mathbb H$ to fit your whole image in the screen.
4:14	Go to Edit on the Menu Bar and select You can also use the keyboard shortcut \mathbb{H} V for this.
4:23	Clicking on \Re T will allow you to resize the image. Drag the photo to the top corner and then drag the corner down to fit the image to the full canvas. Click RETURN when you are happy with the size.
5:19	Clicking on the T icon on the left side of Photoshop on the toolbar changes your mouse to the Text tool. Clicking down on an area of the image and dragging the mouse over creates a rectangle area where your text will show up.
6:13	Type what you need to type in. For this assignment, it will be your meme message. For memes, it's best to have all text capitilized. You might want to use the CAPS LOCK on the keyboard on for this.
7:00	The FONT STYLE we use for memes is You click on the font at the top and you will see a list of fonts available in alphabetical order.
7:09	You can change the FONT SIZE at the top of Photoshop right by where you changed the font style, either by the drop down or click and holding the FONT SIZE icon and dragging the mouse left or right. For this assignment, you want the FONT SIZE large enough to fit across the ENTIRE picture so its easy to read.
8:05	For memes, the FONT COLOR needs to be To change the color, click on the color box in the same area as where you changed the font style and size. This will make a color spectrum box appear. Click in the corner and drag to the very edge of the corner. Click OK .

8:37	The MOVE Tool allows you to the image, text, or anything else that is in the layer. You can use this tool to help center your text. Pink guide lines will show up when you have centered it.
9:13	You can double click or right click on the text layer and choose Blending Options to pull up the Layer Style . From here, you can click on Stroke to add a stroke to your text.
9:45	You want the color of the stroke to be for memes. Click on the box for the color and bring it down to the bottom corner to make sure it is this color.
9:57	If you changed the size of the image to be 10 inches as it's smallest, your Stroke SIZE should be px.
10:28	Click OK when you have finished with the Stroke for Blending Options .
10:45	To save your file, go to FILE and go to SAVE AS (<i>You would click on</i> SAVE after the first time to save your <i>progress</i>). Click on DESKTOP on the left side under FAVORITES .
11:00	Change the FILE NAME at the top to say MEME1 (2, 3, 4, etc) and leave the .psd as it is after that. If you look at Format on this dialogue box, you will see it is listed as Photoshop , which means it is a PSD file. Click SAVE when finished.
11:20	To export your file as a JPEG , you will go to FILE and then EXPORT ⇔ EXPORT AS . This will bring up a new window, and you need to click on FORMAT and change it from PNG to JPEG (The first time, it should stay as JPEG after, but always double check). Make sure the QUALITY is set to the highest at Click on EXPORT at the bottom when you are done.
11:47	The SAVE window will show up when you click on EXPORT . Switch it from Documents to Desktop so it's easier for you to find the memes when you are ready to upload them. Click on Save when finished.
When you have finished with all of your memes, both as PSD and JPEG , go to Google Classroom and find the assignment. Click on the Add or Create and then click on File . This will bring up an upload window. All you need to do at this point is drag your files from your Desktop into that window.	