



**SIMPLE TIPS TO IMPROVE  
YOUR PHOTOGRAPHS**

**What is a good photography?**

**If you like it**

**It's a good photograph**

**Photography is a combination of  
Science/Technology and Art**

**Camera is the  
Science/Technology**

**You are the Art**

# Science/Technology

The automatic phone camera settings takes care of the science

## Art

You decide how you point the camera at the subject which is -

# Composition

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There are certain techniques which can be used to create an acceptable image

These apply to all cameras, mobiles and 35mm

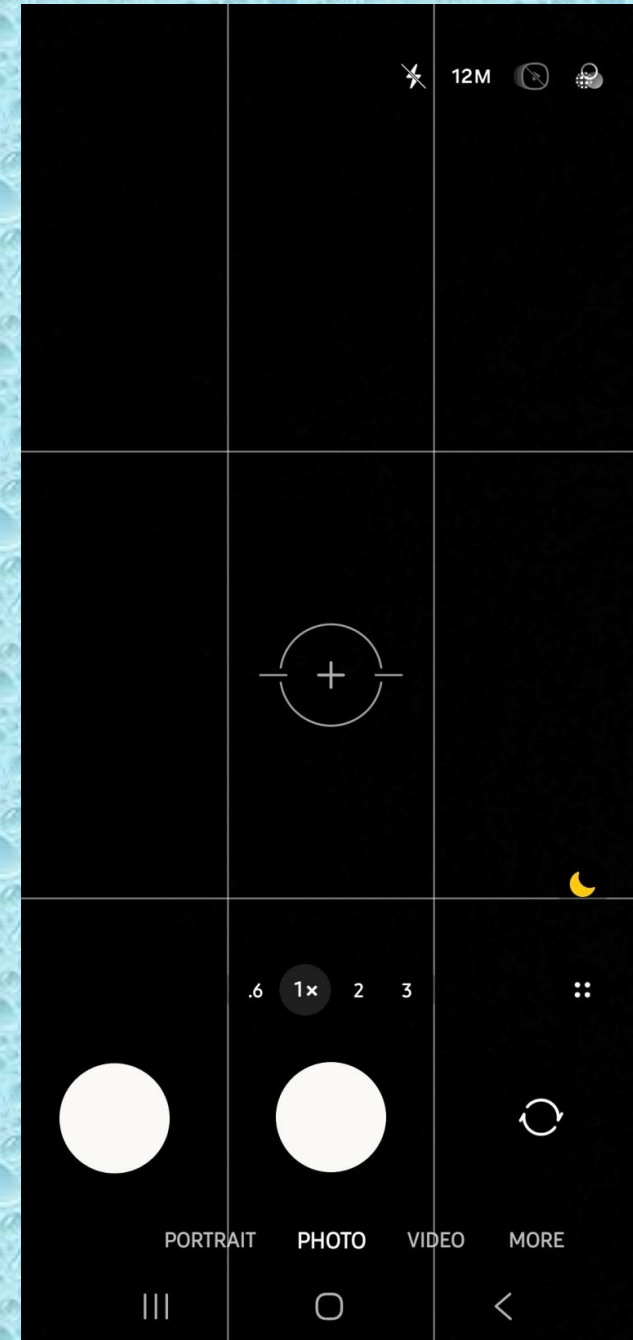
Rule of Thirds

Leading Lines

Frames and Background

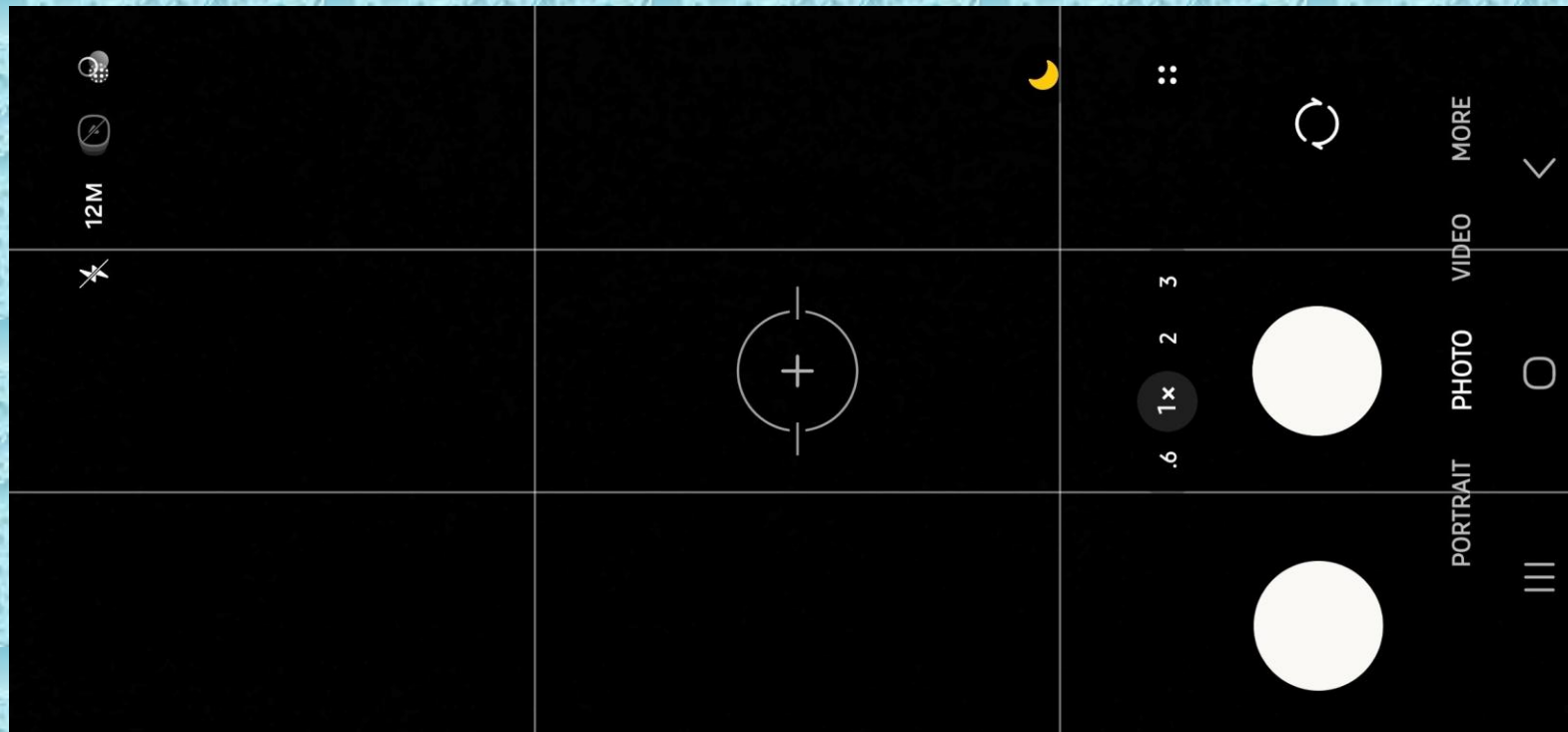
# Rule of Thirds

Think of your camera with a Noughts and Crosses Grid and try to position your subject on a grid line- not centrally.

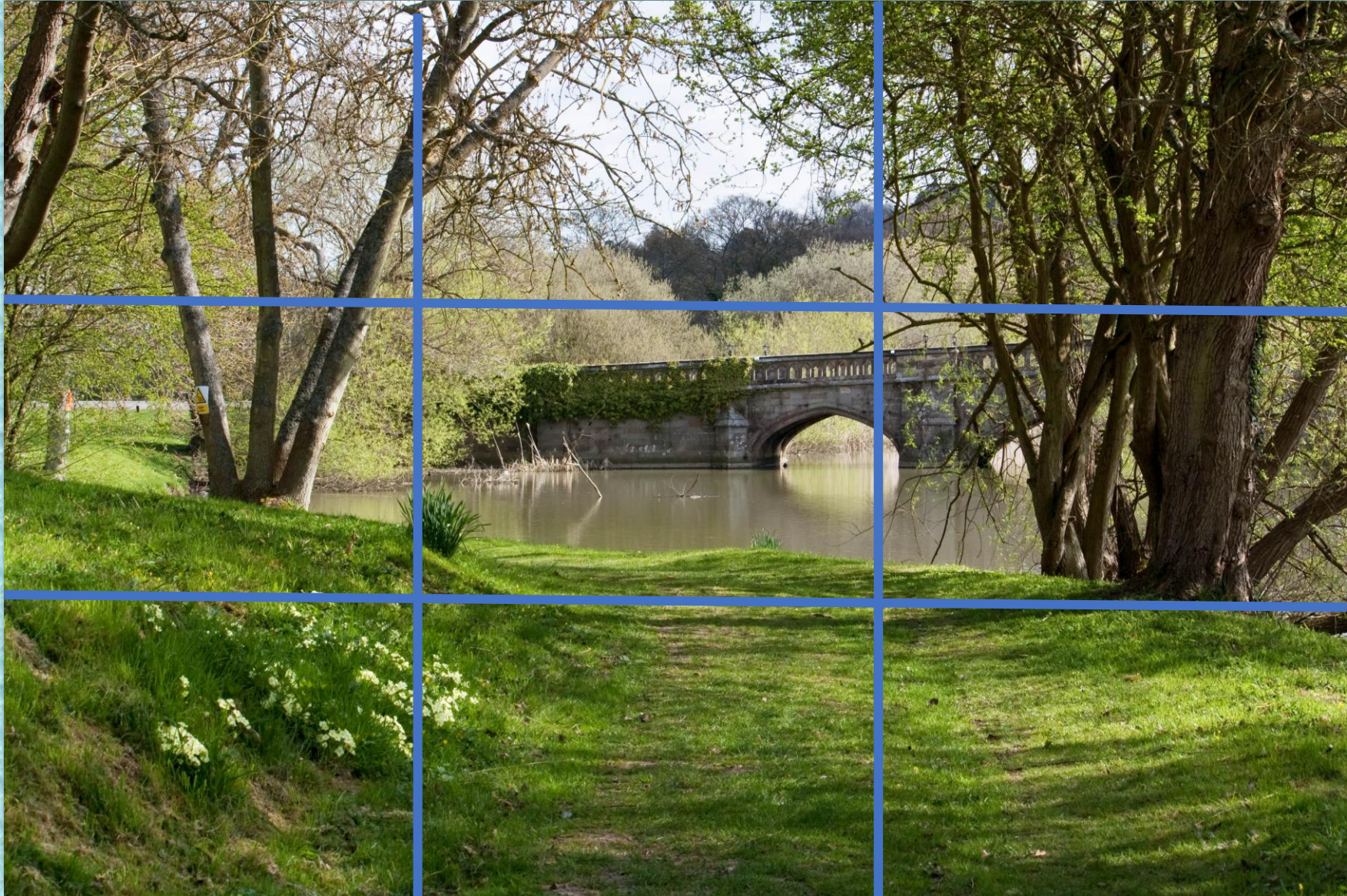


# Rule of Thirds

On a landscape position the horizon near the top or bottom horizontal line



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The bridge is on the vertical grid line

# Rule of Thirds

Fireman is on the vertical grid line and looking into to picture



Horses off centre and walking into the largest space on the left



Horizon is in lower third to show dramatic sky

**Subjects shouldn't move into  
the smallest space**





“Open All Hours” subjects in left third

Tip-Include red in a snow scene



# Composition – Leading Lines

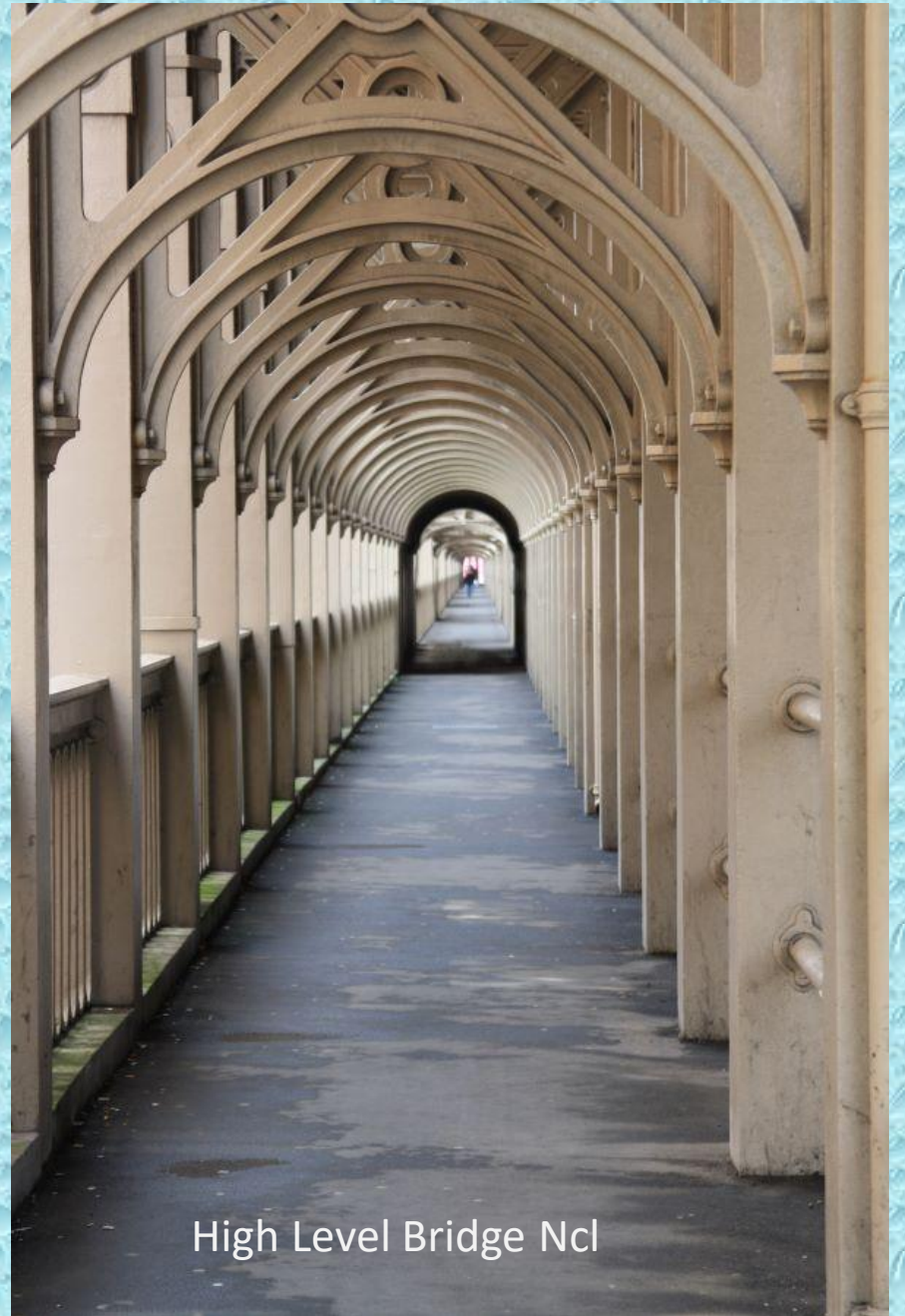
Lines lead the viewer's eye toward the main subject

- Roads
- Paths
- Shore Lines
- Fences
- Shadows





Dubrovnic



High Level Bridge Ncl



Groynes Leading Lines – Had to wait for runner to be in right place. This doesn't meet the Rule of Thirds

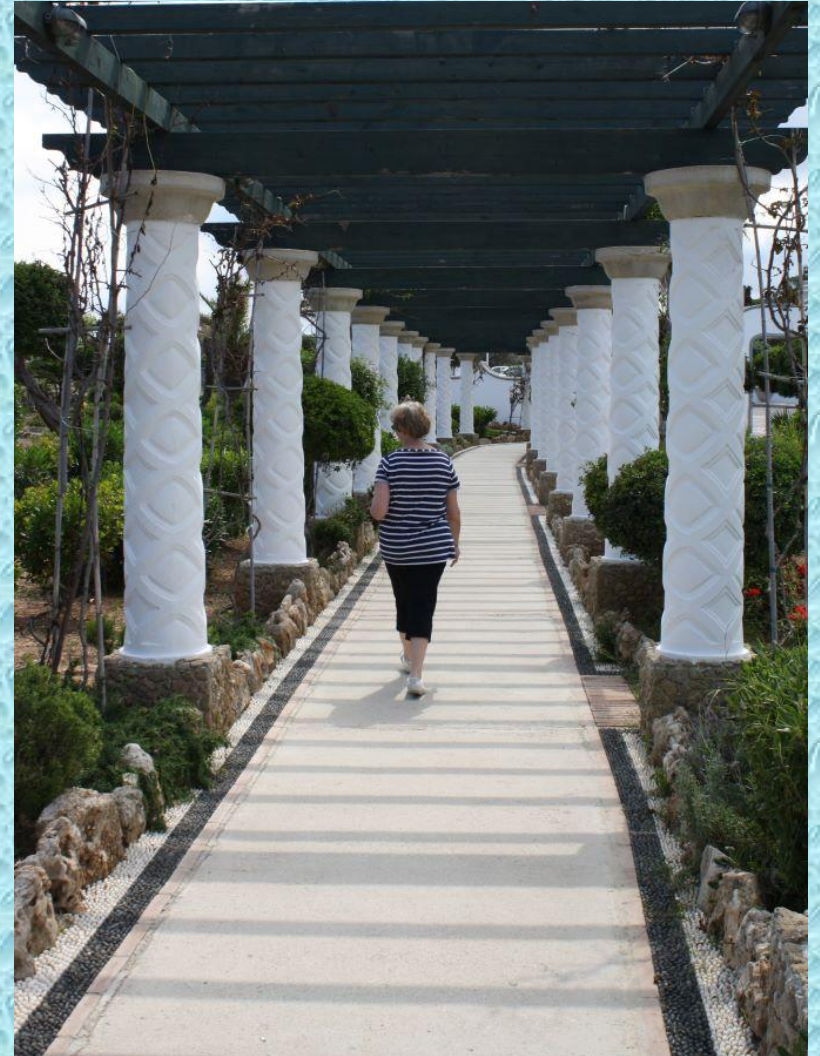


Meets Rule of Thirds requirement but is it an improvement?



Camera resting on rail







# Composition – Framed

It can help to include something that frames the subject

## Natural Frames

Windows

Arches

Bridges

Tunnels

Caves



Duncombe Park



The sky is bland so including trees takes that away

# Composition – Framed



Including foreground in landscape gives depth

# Composition – Framed



View through damaged Information Sign

# Composition – Framed



Pugneys



Castle Howard

Subject on horizontal centre grid line doesn't meet rule of thirds but needed to include foreground vegetation

# Composition - Change Viewpoint



Don't just shoot from eye level.  
Particularly with children and pets

Experiment with different angles  
and perspectives to create unique  
and interesting photos.

Required a change of viewpoint to  
low down to get the sun in the basket

# Change Viewpoint - Get to their level



# Composition - Change Viewpoint



Camera at floor level



# Look out for sloping horizons







# Composition – Patterns and Symmetry



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# Composition – Background

Avoiding a distracting background



# Composition – Background



Change from this

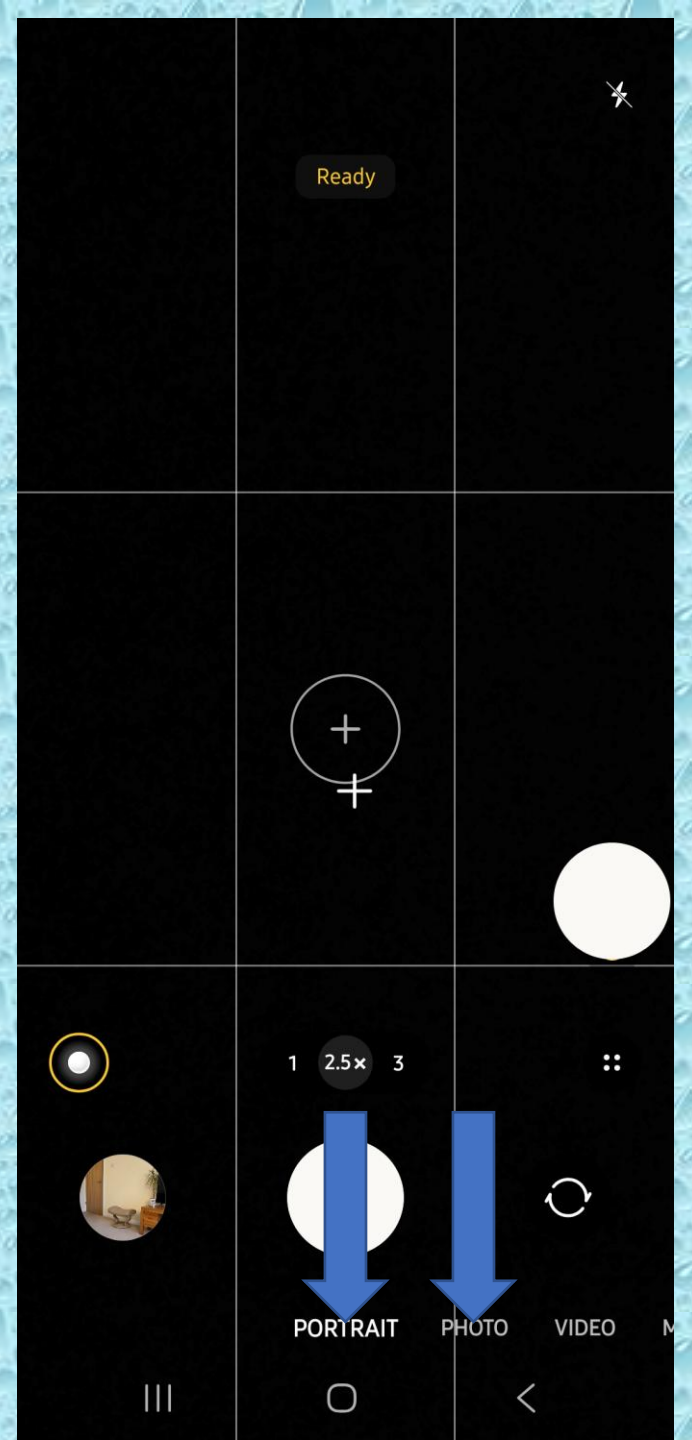


Photo Setting

To this with a  
simple setting



Portrait Setting



**Concentrate on the subject**



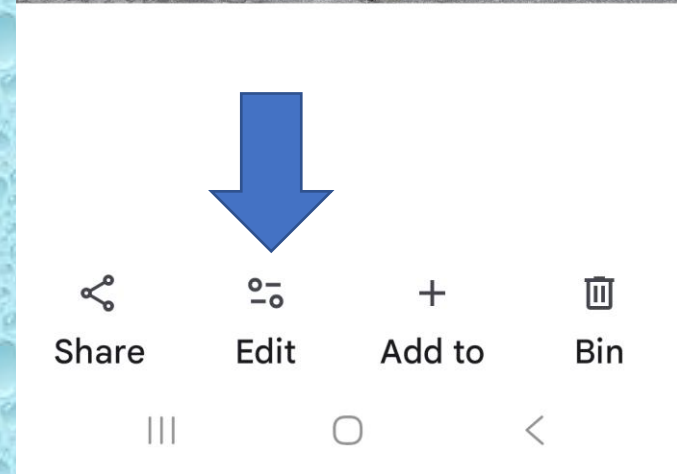
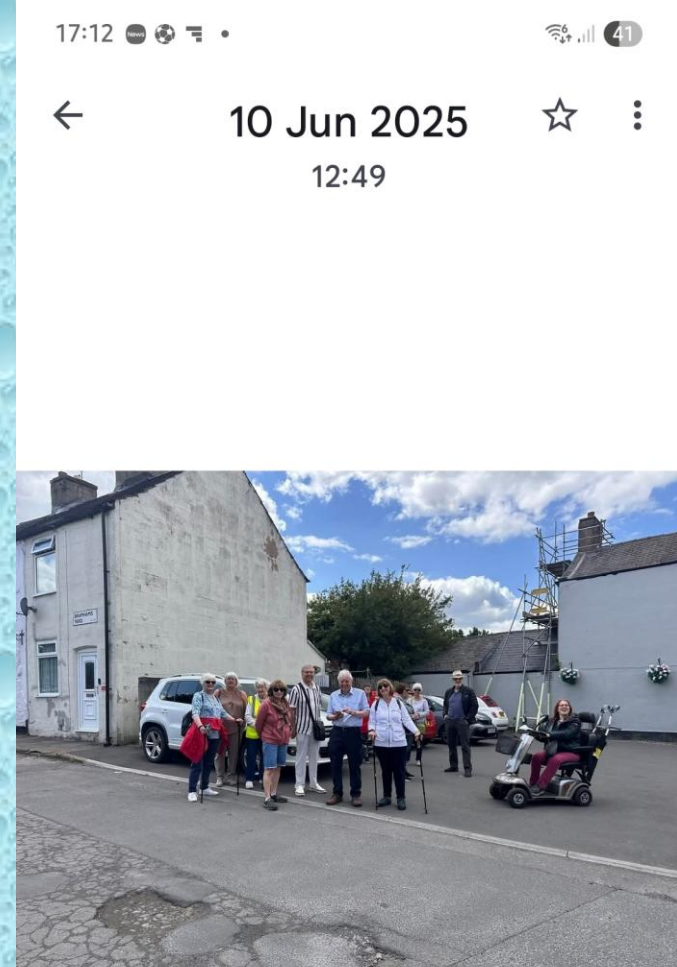
**Remove unwanted parts**

# Select the image on Mobile



# Select Edit

The icon for the edit  
might be a small pencil



Auto-frame



Framing

Place finger on anyone of the White corners and move up or down



Auto Actions Mark

Auto-frame



Framing

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