

Outburst of The Kodak Camera

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When choosing my topic, I wanted to choose something I would actually enjoy learning about. I didn't want to just choose a random topic and not be interested. I am interested in photography, and the Kodak camera was the perfect topic to choose. The Kodak camera was an important invention because it broke technological, physical, and financial barriers.

I began my research like how many of us begin our research, I went straight to Google. I got many of my resources from Google. My teacher, however, provided us with search engines to help us find sources. I went to the public library a couple times. I searched the area with photography books, and I found a couple books. The books I found didn't have that much information, or it either had information that I had already. One of my most helpful resources was historyplace.com. This website gave me a lot of interviews that Lewis Hine had given with children. Hine related to the Kodak camera because he used his pictures to expose child labor. Another website I found that was important was thoughtco.com. This source provided the Original Kodak Manual. This was helpful because the source gave me pictures that I used to show how the Kodak worked.

Talking to many people who had also done a website, we all thought it was so difficult to use the website, especially because NHD had come up with a new website builder to use. I found it easy after watching the video that pops up. The hardest problem I encountered was writing a good thesis. I sat in my room trying to write so many different thesis'. None of them were helpful, until I sat down with my teacher and got help with it.

The Kodak camera fits within the topic, Breaking Barriers, this year because of the new technology, etc. The new technology included dry plates and flexible photo film. Physically, the camera had changed. Before the Kodak, the camera equipment was heavy and huge. Eastman changed that. Not only was the camera heavy and huge, it was also very expensive. That changed when Eastman sold the Kodak Camera for \$25. (362 words)