

Mondays with MoMA



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Step 1 Look closely

Questions

1. Where do you think this photograph might have been taken?
2. What do you notice about the gestures and body language of the figures?
3. What do you think the photographer was trying to capture in this photo?

Step 2 Learn more

Helen Levitt was a photographer in New York City for over 70 years. She was known for her street photography, capturing everyday moments of life. A lot of the photographs she took were of the life of children, the games that they played, and their relationships.

Step 3 Activity: Draw your memory

1. Observe your surroundings carefully. What everyday moments and activities do you see?
2. Take several photos to capture an everyday moment with a camera, cell phone, or tablet. Or you can make some sketches.
3. Choose the one image that best tells a story and captures the mood of the moment.

Step 4 Share!

Share your photograph or sketch with a friend or family member and describe to them what is happening. Or, you can email your artwork to us at MoMA: schoolprograms@moma.org



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