KS5 Photography Vocabulary

Tier 2 Vocabulary

Key Term	Meaning
Analyse / Deconstruct	To examine something in detail, often to explain or interpret its structure, or to break it down into its constituent parts to reveal its underlying assumptions or meaning.
Critique / Evaluate	A detailed assessment and evaluation of something, often involving judgment of its merits and faults.
Interpret / Discern	To explain the meaning of something, or to perceive or recognize something.
Synthesize / Integrate	To combine various elements into a cohesive whole, or to combine them to form a complete product or idea.
Contextualize / Frame	To place or study something within its surrounding circumstances or environment, or to set a specific setting, period, or background for something.
Autonomy / Agency	The right or condition of self-government or independence, or the capacity of an agent to act independently and make their own free choices.
Juxtaposition / Contrast	The act of placing two things close together with a contrasting effect, or the state of being strikingly different from something else in close association.
Sophistication / Nuance	The quality of being refined, complex, or advanced in nature, or a subtle difference in meaning, expression, or sound.
Conceptual/ Theoretical	A term dealing with deeper meanings or ideas

Tier 3 Vocabulary

Pastiche	A literary, artistic, musical, or architectural work that imitates the style of previous work.
Bounce (piece)	A piece of Art that has been visually inspired by a previous piece of work- showing visual similarities between the works.
Mise en scène / Staging	The arrangement of everything that appears within the frame – actors, sets, props, lighting, and costume – or the act of arranging and presenting something.