





SHOOT FIRST, ASK LATER

It might be tempting to run around with your camera at holiday parties barking out orders like "Smile," "Look here!" and "Say Cheese!" But a better option is to be a little more discreet and attempt to shoot moments instead of poses. Capturing the essence of what people are doing often makes for much more interesting photos.



MOVE IN CLOSE

If you are centering your subject, moving in close is the one thing that will make the biggest difference in the success of your picture-taking. It seems people like to look at subjects that are huge and impossible to miss. Therefore, you want your subject to fill the frame.



GET A LITTLE OFF-CENTER

Instead of placing your main subject in the center of the scene, move your camera until this subject is off to the side. This works especially well if you can balance your main subject with something in the background, on the other side of the picture.



CREATE PHYSICAL CONNECTIONS

Creating physical connections between kids by getting them to hold hands, hug, or sit back-to-back always makes for more interesting photos. Putting children, or any subjects, in physical contact will simply make for a better shot.

