

## 12. Resizing images in Photoshop in preparation for Pictures To Exe.

At the end of this lesson you will be able to demonstrate how to resize your images in preparation for the topic called Pictures To Exe, by using the crop tool, entering a specific width, height and resolution into the options bar, dragging a cropping border over the image and hitting the return key on your keyboard when satisfied.

Pictures To Exe recommend photographs to be resized to 1024x768 or 1280x960, 150-500kb.

Step One:

Open the photo you want to resize and use in your slideshow presentation.

Step Two:

Select the crop tool. Go to the Options bar, and enter "1024 px" in the Width text field box and "768 px" in the Height text field box and 200 pixels/inch in the Resolution field box.

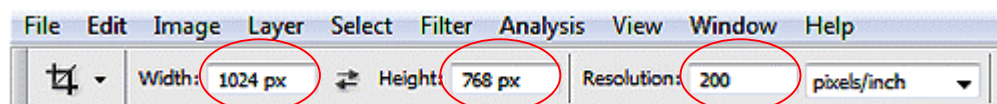


Figure 12.1 Crop tool options bar

At this stage you can decide if you want to add a border to your image or you need to adjust the levels/exposure. Refer to previous tutorials.

Refer to lesson 8 and 9 – fixing under or over exposed photographs.

Refer to lesson 10 – creating a digital frame.

Step three:

When you are happy with the image select **File > Save As**. Give an appropriate name and save the image to the folder called "ResizedImages". When the JPG options dialog box opens set the quality so that your image is less than 500k. In this instance it has been set to a quality of 12 giving a file size of 356.9k. You may have to use a lower quality setting e.g. 10 in order to keep the file size below 500k.

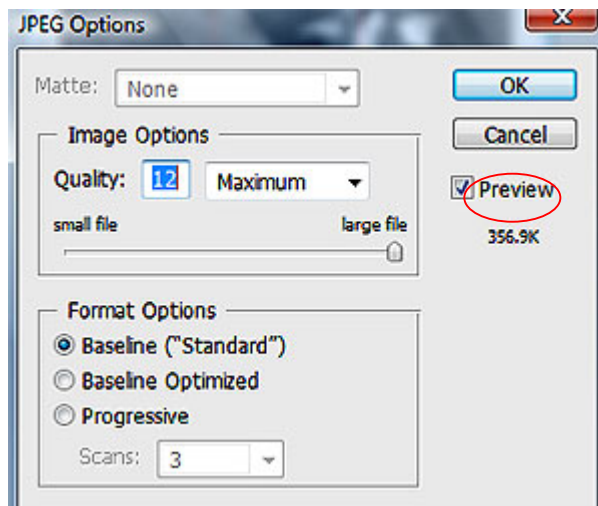


Figure 12.2 JPG Options dialog box.

You have now completed all the lessons in Photography Preparation. Take the quiz and test your knowledge.

Prepare ten images using the techniques covered in this unit that can be included in the slide show that you will create using Pictures To Exe.