

Lesson 11 – Spot Heal and Clone Stamp

Before You Begin Assignment:

Choose a photo from your collection that contains something you want to eliminate, or you can open *Vacation*.

The Tools:

Spot Heal  and Clone Stamp  do similar things – they both allow you to remove people or objects from the image.

Spot Heal Steps:

1. Open the image and determine what you want to eliminate from it.
2. Choose the Spot Heal tool and select a size to match the area that you want to eliminate.
3. Click on the object you want to remove twice – the Spot Heal tool will replace those pixels with pixels surrounding effecting eliminating the object.

If you notice that the Spot Heal tool didn't do a very good job, Ctrl+Z and undo. Try a smaller brush and zoom in or you might need a different technique.

4. File>Save and add the words _SpotHealTool to the file name.

Spot Heal is great for simple images, but sometimes you need more control.

Clone Stamp Tool:

1. Open the image (you can use *Tourists in Italy* or *Beach* in resources or one of yours) and determine what you want to eliminate from it.
2. Zoom in on the object or person you want to remove.
3. Choose the Clone Stamp tool and make the brush size smallish – maybe 20 or so.
4. Hold down Ctrl and click on the image to select a nearby spot that's similar in color or pattern to what you want to replace. Then carefully start painting.
5. If the area you chose with your click doesn't seem to be working, try another area. Play around until you get the person or object satisfactorily removed.
6. File>Save and add the words _CloneStampTool to the file name.

Practice Lesson 11:

Add your before and after photos to the slide for Lesson 11 and complete the reflection.