

Pixlr Photo Editor : Lesson 7 – Desaturate Part of an Image



First:

Go to Google Photos and find one of your images that has something with bright color in it. Use the three dots to download it as a jpg and choose SHOW IN FOLDER.

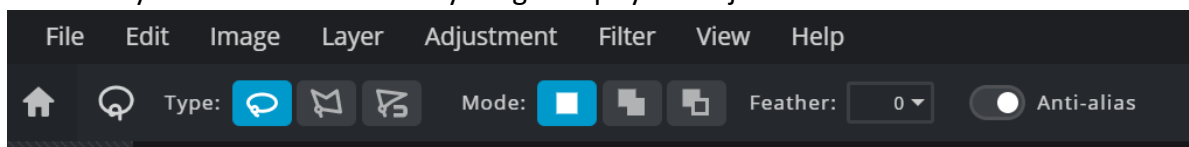
Then:

1. Go to pixlr.com and open the image you selected
2. Choose the Lasso Tool (L) and click the left side of your touchpad while dragging the lasso around just the object that will be keeping its color. Get it as precise as possible.
3. Use the Ctrl button (the lasso will have the minus sign next to it) to deselect any areas that are selected that should NOT keep its color.



For example, in the photo above, if you selected the whole orange can, the opening where the handle is would keep its color and the boys shirt would show through. So, we'd want to deselect it.

4. Once your selection has been made, go to EDIT>INVERT SELECTION. This will flip your selection so that everything but the object you originally selected is now selected. Cool, huh?!?!
5. Go to ADJUSTMENT in the black bar at the top. Choose HUE & SATURATION. Slide the Saturation slider all the way to the left to turn everything except your object B&W.



6. Now is the time to adjust for contrast in your B&W portions, if you aren't liking it.
7. Go to EDIT>DESELECT
8. If you notice any parts that should have been desaturated that weren't, repeat the process and desaturate them. Likewise, if you desaturated an area that should have color, select it, and slide the saturation slider back to the right.
9. File>Save and add _Desaturated with a pop of color to the filename and save in your Pixlr Images folder.

Lesson 7 Practice:

Add your image to the slide called Lesson 7 Practice.