Hi, I’m Zack, and this the worst photo* I’ve ever taken

* OK, it’s one of the worst.
I have taken so many terrible photos.
Not centered, 
Out of focus, 
Overexposed

NO, don't worry, I have not uploaded this to Commons. Because it's terrible.
Anyone can take good photos
Take many photos + follow simple rules
1. Get ready
Do you have your camera?
Is it charged?
Do you have batteries?
Do you have memory?
Do you know what you need to photograph?
Is your lens clean?
Do you know what app you’re using?
Good.
Let’s go.
2. Frame your image
Center your subjects
= more cropping
Anything distracting?
Good.
Let’s go.
3. Check the lighting
What is your lighting direction?
Fully Lit = IDEAL
Front Lit = OK
Side Lit
= NOT GREAT
Back lit = BAD
“In correctly exposed images, details in a significant part of image are retained.”

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Overexposed:
Too much light.
Image appears blown out.
Details and color lost.
Under exposed:
Too little light to see subject details or actions
Just right:

Details and colors clear.
Shadows show depth but do not obscure subject.
Focus & Shoot!
• Make sure your subject is clear and detailed (“in focus”)
• Background details can be blurry, if desired
• Check framing, lighting, and focus
  ○ OK: Take a picture!
Let’s practice!
PHOTOGRAPHY GUIDE

GET READY
- Do you have a camera?
- Is it charged?
- Do you have memory?
- Do you know what you’re going to photograph?
- Is the lens clean?
- Are you EXCITED?

1. FRAME YOUR IMAGE
   - Center your subject
     - Add space around subject to allow future cropping
   - Check the background
     - Avoid distracting details
   - Zoom in to get more detail

2. CHECK THE LIGHTING
   - What is your lighting direction:
     - Fully lit - IDEAL
     - Front lit - OK
     - Side lit - NOT GREAT
     - Back lit - BAD
   - In correctly exposed images, details in a significant part of image are retained.
   - Whenever possible: take photos outside in natural light

3. FOCUS AND SHOOT!
   - Make sure your subject is clear & detailed (“in focus”)
   - Background details can be blurred if desired
   - Check framing, lighting, & focus
   - TAKE A PICTURE!

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