

You have been hired as guest editor and designer for your favourite magazine (choose which one!)

Create the Cover:

Find an example of your chosen magazine's cover with its title and any important design elements uninterrupted (they have to be visible and not covered up by anything.)

Scan in the cover at 300 dpi.

Copy and paste those elements (magic-wand tool folks!) into a new appropriately sized document.

Clean it up in photoshop (use levels and crop functions - but you could also use the clone stamp or healing brush tools)

The size of the document will depend, to some extent, on your image - you may need to resize your scanned elements to fit your image.

Choose or find an image or photo for your cover. This is totally up to you but should reflect the theme of the magazine (of-course)

It can be a picture of you but doesn't have to be! What is your "cover story"? IS the Photo related to it? Ideally this should be an image that you have taken yourself (unless it's a picture of you - then obviously it has been taken by someone else - unless it's a selfie - don't use a selfie)

When choosing an image -think about the text you will need to add to the image.

Does it have sufficient negative space for the title?

Decide on the text elements on your cover. Usually they indicate the content of the magazine! Guess what? You get to make up the content. It's imaginary of course so have fun with it!

Include all other elements on the cover to make it look as realistic as you can (barcode, price)

Think about font style choices and colour choices as well. They should reflect the style of the magazine as well as promote unity of design.

Flatten your image, save as a JPG and submit as per your teacher's instructions