

Fix Overexposed and Underexposed Images

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There are many ways of fixing bad shots in Adobe Photoshop, but not all of them are the best solution. With overexposed or underexposed images, the solution most people use is the Levels command. Using the Levels command is a great way to correct the problem, but the downside is that you lose image quality.

In an overexposed or underexposed image, you want to affect all the pixels in the image equally. Follow these steps to fix an overexposed image:

1. Duplicate the background layer into a new layer.
2. Put the new layer in Multiply mode. This will intensify the saturation of the image.
3. Not enough? Duplicate the multiplied layer again, until you get the results you want.

Underexposed images are handled the same way except you put the new layer in Screen mode instead of Multiply.