

Fun with lighting

Lighting is the secret to improving your photography. Lighting is easy to learn and makes your pictures look great. Lighting brings a whole new element to the enjoyment of photography.









One remote flash unit



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Higher quality images

You are an angel — Natural skin tones



I could capture the serenity of my daughter asleep.

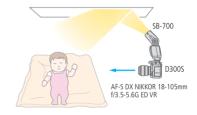


Taken with camera's built-in flash



Bounce flash

When the flash head is tilted up, the flash can be bounced off the ceiling to create soft light and natural skin tones.



Tips—Side bounce

Bouncing the flash light off the wall or a white sheet is also effective.



What a naughty boy! — Capture the action



I captured my cat in action without any blur at all.

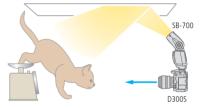


Without flash



Capture the action with flash

Even with insufficient indoor light, you can use bounce flash to capture the natural movement of your pets.



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Tips—ISO sensitivity

By setting a higher ISO sensitivity, bounce flash will work with higher ceilings.

Still at that playful age — Capture the fun and feel of water



Here I managed to capture smiling faces and sparkling water.



Without flash



Daylight sync with high shutter speeds

Auto FP high-speed sync lets you to stop the action with daylight sync.



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Tips—Daylight sync

Even in daylight, flash is handy for balancing the background exposure of backlit subjects.

Happy birthday! — Balancing warm lighting



I could capture that special moment in my daughter's life.



Taken with camera's built-in flash



Camera settings

Set flash mode to slow sync and white balance to direct sunlight.

Simulating candlelight

Warm colors can be captured with an incandescent filter (included) attached to the SB-700.

SB-700 (with an incandescent filter)



Tips—Color filters

Use color filters to experiment with various lighting effects.



Because all weddings are special — Making the subject stand out



The beauty of her face and dress makes me happy too.



Taken with camera's built-in flash

SB-700 setting order



Camera settings
Set the built-in flash to commander mode.

Emphasize subject's outline

One remote SB-700 illuminates the subject from behind to show the texture of the dress and emphasize her face.



Tips—Remote flash unit

A remote flash unit requires no cables so it's easy to experiment with different lighting.



The beauty of tropical fish — Eliminating reflections



I love the shapes and colors of my discus.



Taken with camera's built-in flash

SB-700 setting order

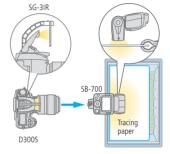


Camera settings

Set the built-in flash to commander mode.

Create overall lighting

One remote SB-700 illuminates the inside of the fish tank from above.



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Tips—White paper

Cover the sides of the fish tank with white paper to reflect flash light into the tank for better lighting.

Bon Appetit! — Capturing gloss



This picture of a dessert I made looks good enough to eat.



Taken with bounce-down flash using SB-700 on camera

SB-700 setting order

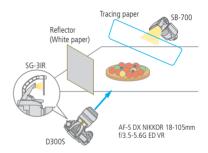


Camera settings

Set the built-in flash to commander mode.

Back light to capture texture

One remote SB-700 illuminates the dessert from the back to capture the fruit's freshness.



Гips—Soft light

Use semitransparent plastic or tracing paper to soften flash light.



Beauty by the roadside — Eliminating shadow



The flowers came out bright and colorful.



Taken with camera's built-in flash

SB-700 setting order



Camera settings

Set the built-in flash to commander mode.

Remote flash to fill in shadows

One remote SB-700 illuminates shade, keeping the whole scene bright and colorful.



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Tips—Flash in daylight

Even in daylight, remote flash is handy for filling in shade and shadow.



Handmade and precious — Higher quality images



This handmade necklace and earrings look like the real thing.

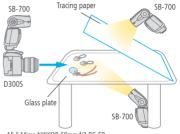


Without flash



Highlight metallic surfaces

One remote flash unit illuminates the subject from bottom while the other creates highlights on the subject to show its metallic texture. Flash output level ratio is set to 1:1.



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Tips—Quick wireless control mode

Allows you to intuitively control the light balance of two remote flash units.



Control buttons and switches/functions



Mode selector

Selects flash mode from i-TTL mode, manual flash mode, distance-priority manual flash mode and quick wireless control mode.

2 Test firing button
Controls test firing

3 [MENU] buttonDisplays custom settings

4 Selector dial Rotate to change item selected with [SEL] button

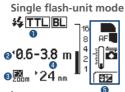
Illumination pattern selector Selects illumination pattern from standard, centerweighted and even

6 [SEL] button
Selects items to be configured

Power switch/wireless mode switch for multiple flash units

Rotate to turn power on and off, set to MASTER or REMOTE for advanced wireless lighting

8 [OK] buttonConfirms selected setting

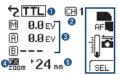


Icons

- 1 Flash mode
- Plash-to-subject distance
- 3 Light distribution angle
- 4 Zoom head position
- Status

LCD samples

Master mode



Icons

- Flash mode
- 2 Channel
- 3 Flash compensation values
- 4 Light distribution angle5 Zoom head position
- 6 Status

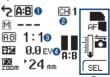
Remote mode

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Quick wireless control mode



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