Fujifilm XQ2

Photo Basics

If this is your first time using a digital camera, this lesson is for you! You'll practice the basic controls needed to take photos, use the zoom and flash features, and review shots using the Fujifilm XQ2. Keep your camera with you as you follow along with the lesson!

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On/Off Button | This button turns the camera on or off. Turn the camera off after you use it to extend battery life.

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You found all the basic controls! You'll notice that there are lots of other controls. We'll save them for other lessons.

Now you know all of the controls you need to take a photo. Let's give it a shot! *Follow along with the steps on your own camera. Take a photo of anything around you!*

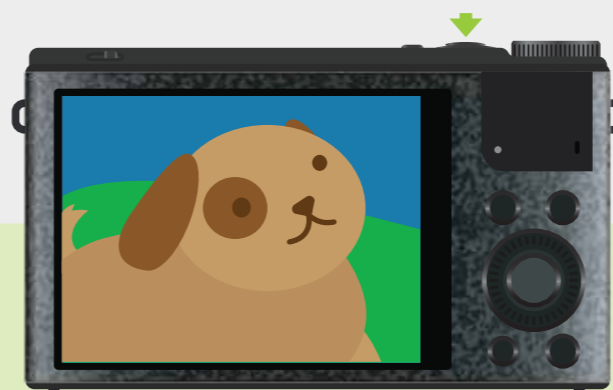**1**   Press the On/Off Button to turn the camera **ON.**

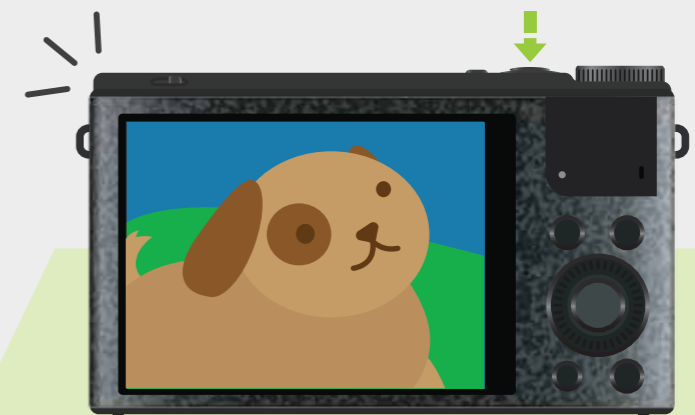**2**   Rotate the Mode Dial to **AUTO.** Align the 📷 icon with the marker.

3   Point the camera at a subject. Hold it firmly.

4   Use the display to frame the image you want.

5   Focus the image by pressing lightly on the **shutter button**.

6   To take the photo, press the **shutter button** down the rest of the way.

You took your first photo! Follow along with these steps to see the photo you took on your camera's display.

1 Press the **REVIEW** button.

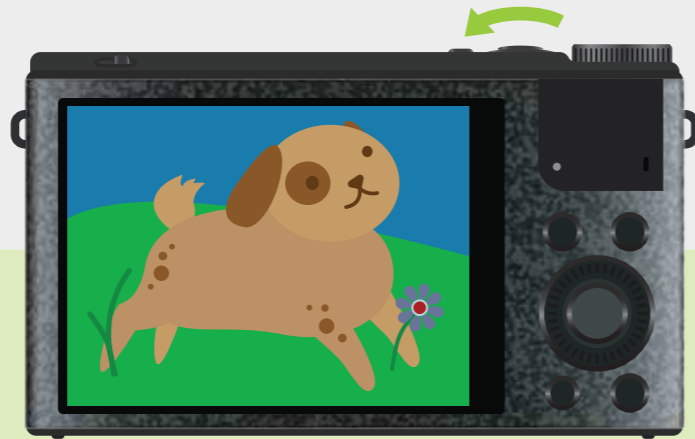**2** View your photo on the **LCD display**. It looks great!

3 Press the **shutter button** to exit review mode.

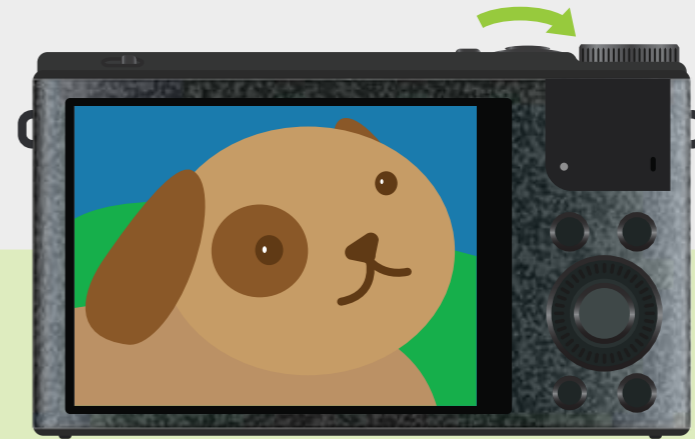The zoom feature is one of the easiest ways to control the appearance of your photo.

Zoom Out

By zooming out, you can include more of the scene or surroundings in your photo.

Shift the zoom control left to zoom out.

Zoom In

By zooming in, you can center the photo on a specific object or person and cut out the surroundings.

Shift the zoom control right to zoom in.

Try it now! Zoom in or out, then take another photo.

If you're shooting at night or in dim lighting, you may want to use flash. The flash will go off when you take the photo to illuminate your surroundings.

Toggle the **flash switch** left to raise the flash; it will slide out of the top of the camera. Don't block it with your fingers! To lower the flash, push it down with your finger.

Try it now. Turn off the lights if you can, and take a photo with the flash on!

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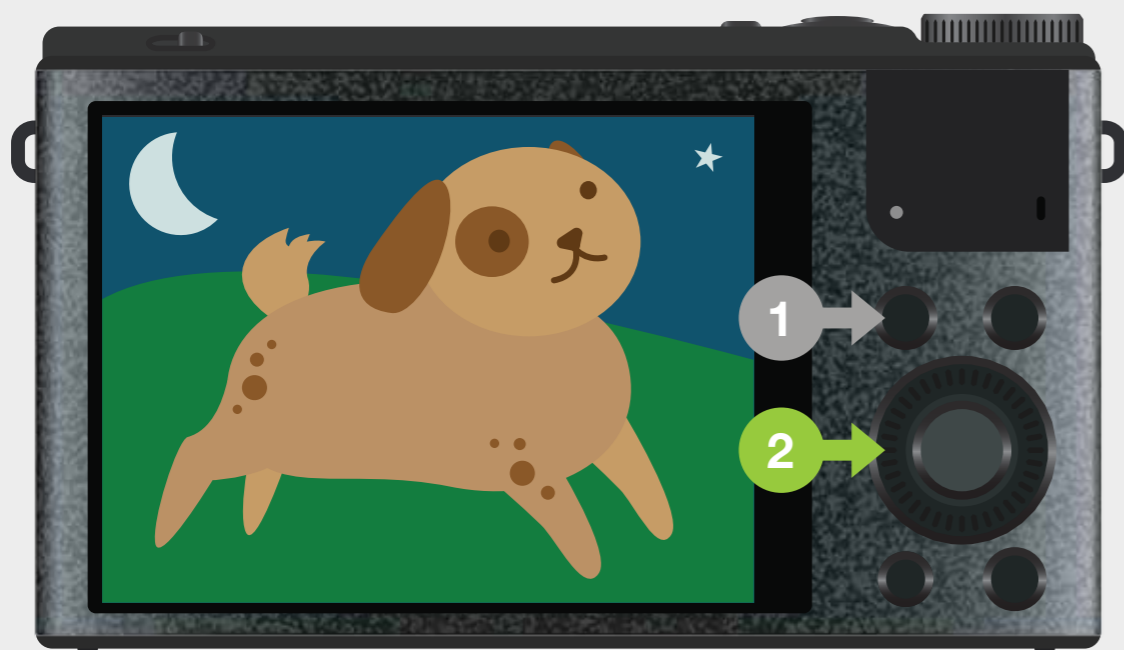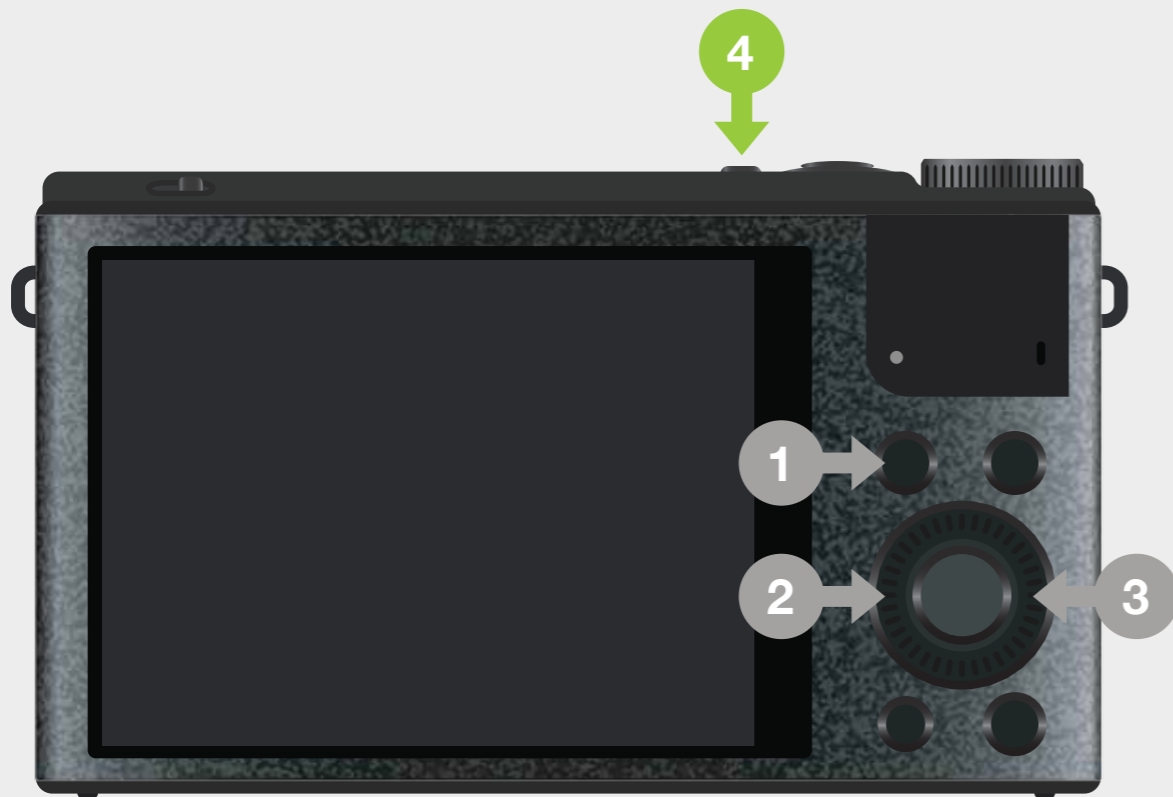
1 Click on the **Review** button again. You will see the most recent photo you took.

2 Press on the *left* of the **Selector Button** to a previous photo. Continue pressing left to move *back* through your photos.

3 Press on the *right* of the **Selector Button** to return to a more recent photo. Continue pressing right to move *forward*.

4 Click the **shutter button** to exit review mode and take more photos.

Try it now! Look back through your photos.

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Checkpoint

Take as many more photos as you like to get familiar with the controls and features you learned in this lesson.

*If you think you're ready to move on, click the **I'm Ready!** button to answer some checklist questions.*

*If you want to review the lesson again, click **Return to Lesson.***

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The image on the LCD display looks fuzzy. How can you focus it?
Chose the best answer from the list.

- ( ) Use the zoom control to focus the image
- ( ) Use the selector button to focus the image
- (●) Press down lightly on the shutter button to focus the image
- ( ) Do nothing: it is normal for images on the LCD display to appear fuzzy

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3 It's dark, and you want to take a photo of this whole group of friends.
Click the camera controls to zoom out, turn on the flash and take the photo.

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✓ *Great job! You viewed the second most recent photo.*

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✓ Great work!

Now you can take photos with your Fujifilm XQ2!

There's lots more to learn. In the next module, you'll learn about advanced features like **shooting modes** and **filters.** These will help you take your photography to the next level!

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