Instructions:
This PDF is designed to fit in your camera carrying case. Simply print it out, then trim and fold along the lines to create your very own handy reference guide.

Step 1:
Cut out around outline

Step 2:
Fold top half back

Step 3:
Fold left side back

Capture Fun Angles. Use your tiltable viewing screen to get unique shots. Shoot through a balloon, hide and take candid shots, even lay the camera on the floor to get footage of dangling feet at the table.

Focus On Faces. Plan your shots according to where the action is going to take place. Remember, expressions tell the story, so focus on faces. Some camcorders have face and smile detection features.

Use Available Light. If it’s really dark, try bouncing a light off a wall so it won’t overpower the scene. Many camcorders have a low light sensor that brings out as much of the existing light as possible.

Capture Still Images During Video. Many camcorders let you take digital still images while you are shooting video. You no longer have to carry around two cameras, so be creative.

Be Prepared. Always have charged batteries and an extra memory card or blank media ready to go.

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