Portrait Lighting

Lights

- Main light or key light
- Fill light or fill-in light
- Back light
- Catch Light

Types of lightings

- Broad lighting
- Short lighting
- Butterfly lighting
- Rembrandt lighting
- Split lighting
- Rim lighting

Broad lighting

 The main light completely illuminates the side of the face toward the camera



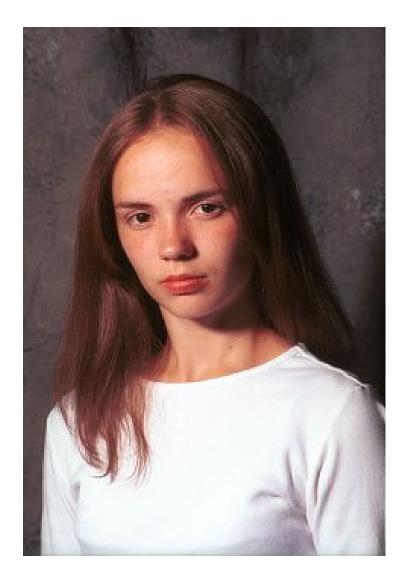
Short lighting

 The main light completely illuminates the side of the face turned away from the camera.



Butterfly lighting

 The main light is placed directly in front of the face and cast a shadow directly under the nose.



Rembrandt lighting

- The main light is placed high and to the side of the face turned away from the camera and produces a triangle of light on the side of the face in shadow.
- This is a combination of short lighting and butterfly lighting.



Split lighting

 The main light is placed to illuminate one side of the face completely while placing the other side in shadow.



Rim lighting

• The main light is placed behind the subject and places the entire face in shadow.

