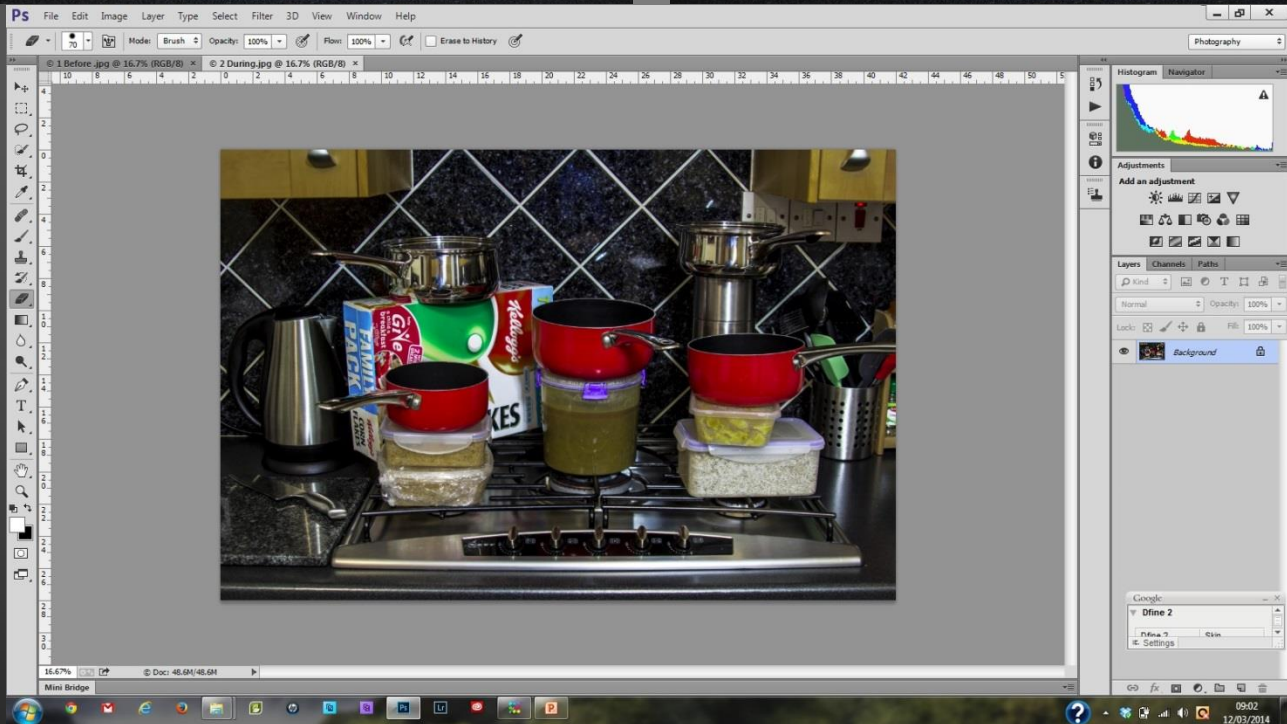


Trick Photography - removing objects.

Using Photoshop (PS)

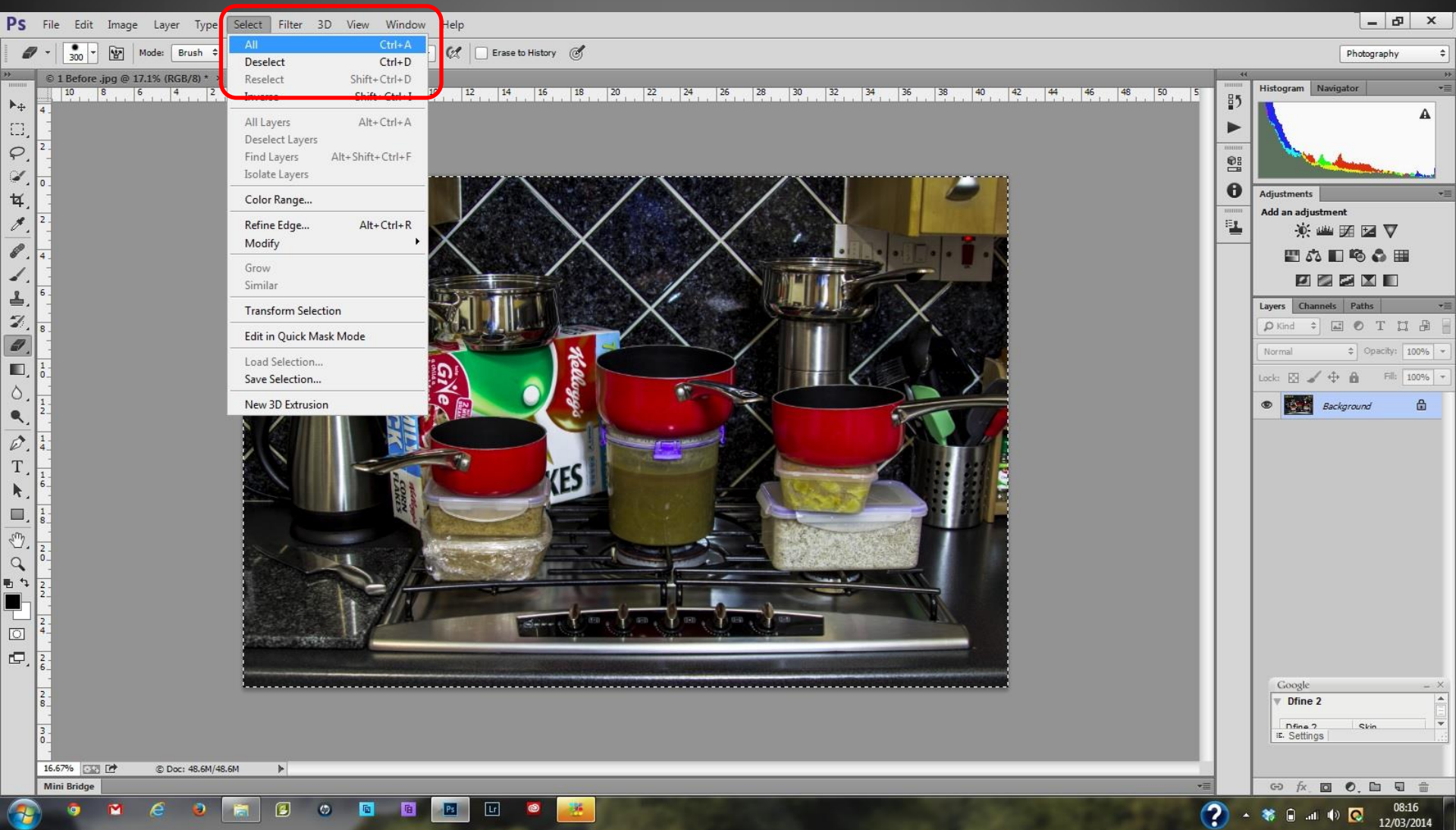
Step 1

Open the background image and the one to be added in PS



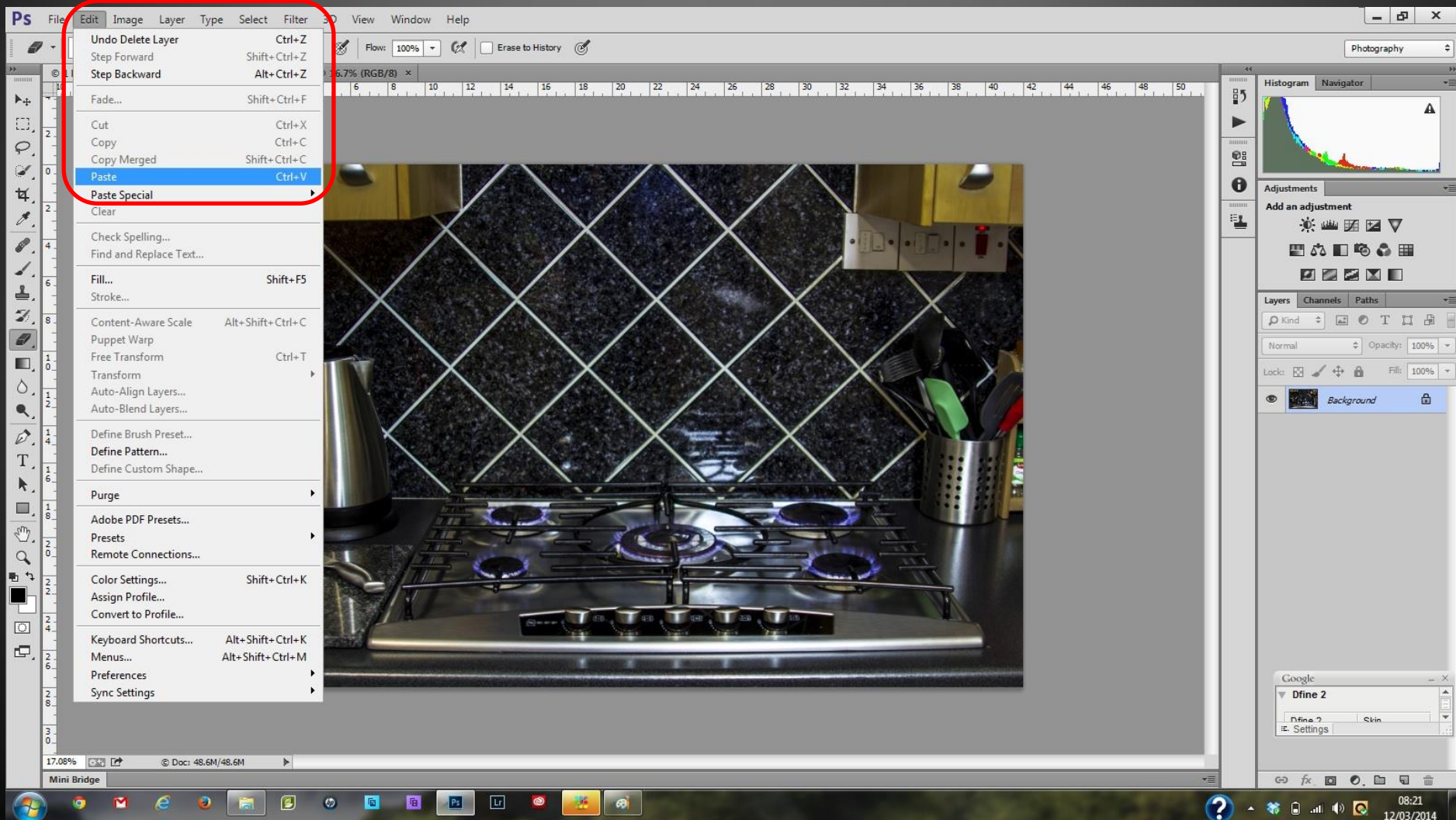
Step 2

Go to the image with boxes and Select All from the Select menu or use **Ctrl + A**
Then copy the image using **Ctrl + C**



Step 2

Switch to the background image and Paste the image with boxes on top of the background image – **Ctrl + V**



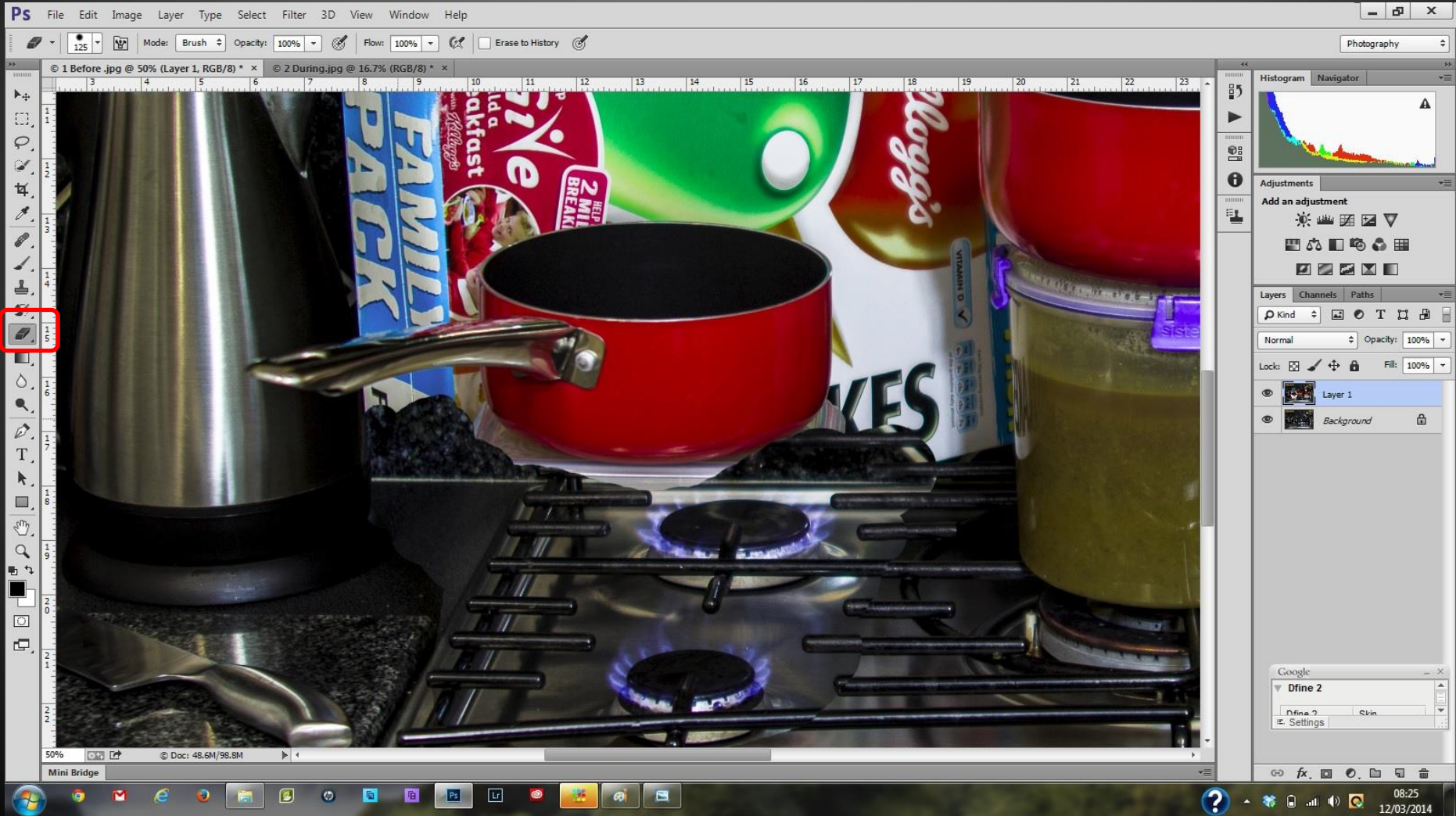
Step 3

This creates a new layer on top of the background.
The aim now is to remove the boxes.



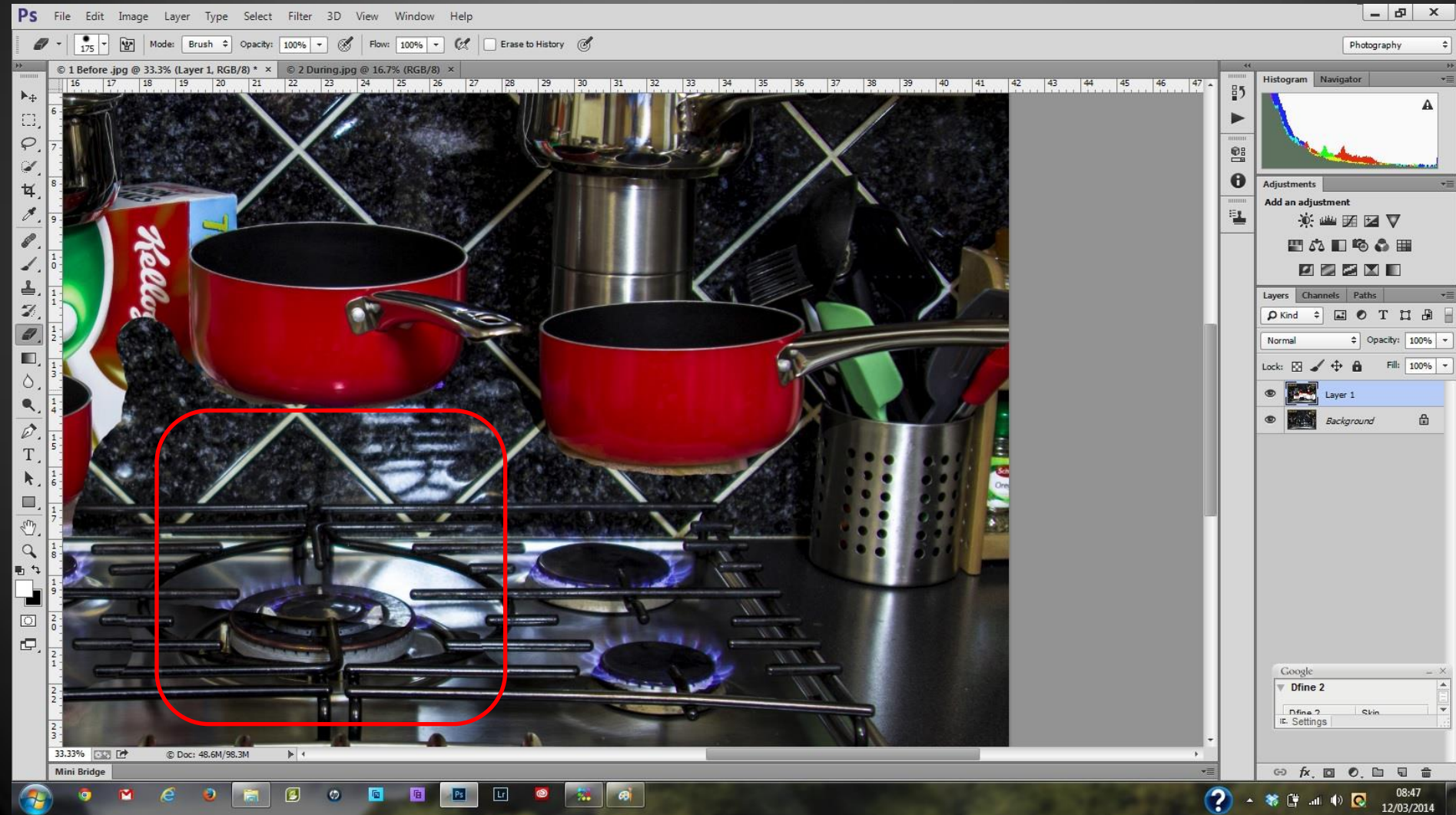
Step 4

Zoom into the image (**Ctrl +**) and use the **Eraser tool** to remove boxes from the top layer, revealing the background in the lower layer - start with large areas.
Use **Square Brackets** (**[]**) to resize eraser and hold **Shift** to switch to **Move tool**



Step 5

Move around the image, zooming in and out to continue removing boxes.



Step 6

Switch to much smaller eraser brush to remove fine detail



Step 7

You may need to erase shadow areas caused by boxes as well as the boxes themselves.



Step 8

When you're happy with the image save the result.



Alternative – using a layer mask 1

If you prefer to use layer masks follow Steps 1 to 2 to create the 2 layers.
With the top layer selected click on the layer mask icon to create a layer mask



Alternative – using a layer mask 2

Select a soft edged brush.

Switch the foreground colour to Black – use the letter X on the keyboard to swap Paint over the boxes following the same steps as before.



Original background



Original image with boxes



Final image

