Seeing & Writing 3
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Seeing & Writing was the first 4-color composition reader to truly reflect the visual in our culture and in composition. Instructors who have used the past two editions tell us that this textbook helped them envision a new kind of composition class, based on a simple grounding principle: Careful seeing leads to effective writing. Students read this book when they don't have to. They actively and critically see the details of each verbal and visual text, think about its composition and the cultural context within which it operates, and then write thoughtfully and convincingly about it. With a new look, new essays and images, and new notes on teaching from teachers who have used this cutting-edge text, Seeing & Writing 3 continues to lead the way -- as a visual, flexible, and above all, inspiring tool for the composition classroom.

Introduction. WRITING MATTERS

1. Observing the Ordinary
   *PORTFOLIO: Roe Ethridge [6 photographs]
   *PAIR: Abelardo Morell, Pencil, 2000 [photograph] and Henry Petroski, Larry Woiwode, Ode to an Orange [essay]
   Sequoia Citrus Association, Have One [labels]
   *John Updike, An Oil on Canvas [essay]
   *Leong Ka Tai, The Wu Family [3 photos + statistics]
   *RE:SEARCHING THE WEB
   *RETROSPECT: Advertising on the Run [5 ads]
   Tracey Baran, Untitled 2 [photograph]
   Tillie Olsen, I Stand Here Ironing [essay]
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   *PORTFOLIO: Gueorgui Pinkhassov [6 photos]
*Brian Doyle, Joyas Volardores [essay]
Alfred Leslie, Television Moon [painting]

*TALKING PICTURES
Pepón Osorio, Badge of Honor, 1995 (detail) [photograph]
CONTEXT: Osario
*INTERVIEW: Osario
*Joseph Jacobs, Pepón Osorio -- Badge of Honor [essay]
*Volkswagen, Drivers Wanted [advertisement]
Annie Dillard, Seeing [essay]
LOOKING CLOSER: Seeing is Believing
*Willard Wigan, Man v. Ant [sculpture]
Steven Millhauser, The Fascination of the Miniature [essay]
*Bill Bryson, from A Brief History of Nearly Everything [essay]
Carl Sagan, Voyager 1, Pale Blue Dot [photograph], Reflections on a Mote of Dust [essay]
*Harold Edgerton, .30 Bullet Piercing an Apple [photograph]
*Bryan Steiff, Terra Futura #9 [sculpture]
K.C. Cole, A Matter of Scale [essay]
Chuck Close, Self-Portrait [painting]
Chuck Close, Self Portrait [detail]

2. Coming to Terms with Place
*PORTFOLIO: Richard Misrach from the Golden Gate series [6 photographs]
PAIR: Edward Hopper, House by the Railroad [painting] and Edward Hirsch, Edward Hopper and the House by the Railroad [essay]
Eudora Welty, The Little Store [essay]
*E.B. White, Once More to the Lake [essay]
*Kerry James Marshall, Watts [painting]
CONTEXT: Marshall
*Eric Liu, The Chinatown Idea [essay]
Retropect: Camilo José Vergara, [12 photographs]
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Mark Peterson, Image of Homelessness [photograph]
David Gutent, No Place like Home [essay]
*PORTFOLIO: Joel Sternfeld [4 photos]
*TALKING PICTURES
*Bill McKibben, Worried? Us? [essay]
*National Geographic Maps, Earth at Night [photo]
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Scott Russell Sanders, Homeplace [essay]
*Bharati Mukherjee, Imagining Homelands [essay]
INTERVIEW: Mukherjee
LOOKING CLOSER: Imagining the Grand Canyon
*Thomas Moran, The Chasm of the Colorado, 1873-74 [painting]
*Fitz-James MacCarthy [quotation]
*Santa Fe Railroad [advertisement]
*Ansel Adams, Grand Canyon from Yavapai Point [photograph]
*Shawn Macomber, The Chasm Between Grand and Great; Next to Hoover Dam, the Grand Canyon is a hole in the ground. [essay]
*Walker Percy, The Loss of the Creature [essay]
*Martin Parr, Grand Canyon, 1994 [photo]
3. Capturing Memorable Moments
*PORTFOLIO: Martin Parr [7 photographs]
*PAIR: Joel Sternfeld, A Young Man Gathering Shopping Carts, Huntington, NY, 1993 [photo] and Tom Brokaw, An Ode to Loved Labors Lost [essay]
*Sarah Vowell, The First Thanksgiving [essay]
*Amy Tan, Fish Cheeks [essay]
*RETROSPECT: Yearbook Photos [18 photographs]
*Robert Olen Butler, This is Earle Sandt [photo + story]
PORTFOLIO: Andrew Savulich [4 photographs]
*National Public Radio, Snapshots Freeze the Moment [advertisement]
*TALKING PICTURES
Dorothy Allison, This Is Our World [essay]
*RE:SEARCHING THE WEB
*Steve McCurry, Sharbat Gula [2 photographs]
*VISUALIZING COMPOSITION: Structure
Joe Rosenthal, Marines Raising the Flag on Mount Suribachi, Iwo Jima, 1945 [photograph]; Flag Raising on Iwo Jima, February 23, 1945 [essay]
CONTEXT: Rosenthal [3 photographs]
*Art Spiegelman, In the Shadow of No Towers [comic]
*INTERVIEW: Spiegelman
James Nachtwey, Ground Zero [essay] with Crushed Car [photograph]
LOOKING CLOSER: Taking Pictures
Susan Sontag, On Photography [essay]
Duane Hanson, Tourists [sculpture]
*Yutaka Sone, Birthday Party [4 photographs]
*Babbette Hines, Photobooth [text + 4 photographs]
N. Scott Momaday, The Photograph [essay]
*Michael Bragg, From Forgotten collection [2 photographs]
*Mercedes, No One Ever Poses with Their Toaster [advertisement]
Ethan Canin, Viewfinder [fiction] with Vivian, Fort Barnwell [photograph]
Eastman Kodak Company, Keep the Story with a Kodak [advertisement]

4. Projecting Gender
*PORTFOLIO: Robert Mapplethorpe [2 photographs]
PAIR: César A. Martinez, Bato Con Khakis, 1982 [painting] and Jacinto Jesús Cardona, Bato Con Khakis [poem]
Jamaica Kincaid, Girl [poem]
Judith Ortiz Cofer, The Story of My Body [essay]
INTERVIEW: Cofer
*Marjane Satrapi, The Veil [comic]
CONTEXT: Satrapi
RETROSPECT: Building the Male Body [magazine cover & 3 advertisements]
*Jane Slaughter, A Beaut of a Shiner [essay]
*PORTFOLIO: Nancy Burson, [6 photographs]
*TALKING PICTURES
Susan Bordo, Never Just Pictures [essay with 2 photographs]
Rockport, I'm Comfortable Being a Man [advertisement]
*VISUALIZING COMPOSITION: Purpose
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*Extreme Makeover, Tess [5 TV stills]
*Chris Ballard, How to Write a Catchy Beer Ad [essay]
LOOKING CLOSER: Gender Training
*Art Spiegelman, Nature vs. Nurture [comic]
*Marianne Ghantous, Kids Couture [kids drawing]
Lauren Greenfield, Ashleigh, 13 [photograph]
Katha Pollit, Why Boys Don’t Play with Dolls [essay]
*Brian Finke, Cheerleaders #12 [photograph]; Football #11 [photograph]
*Army, There’s Something About a Soldier [advertisement]

5. Examining Difference
PORTFOLIO: Nikki S. Lee [8 photos]
*INTERVIEW: Lee
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Lost Her Accent, 1991 [painting]
*Annie Dillard, How to Live [essay]
Mario Testino, Doubles, Lima, and Shalom and Linda, Paris [2 photos]
*Gish Jen, Coming Into the Country [essay]
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RETROSPECT: Reel Native Americans
TALKING PICTURES
Donnell Alexander, Cool Like Me [essay]
*Stanley Crouch, Goose-Loose Blues for the Melting Pot [essay]
*PORTFOLIO: “The American Effect”
*Robert Shireman, 10 Questions College Officials Should Ask About Diversity [essay]
VISUALIZING COMPOSITION: Audience
*Nicholas D. Kristof, Believe It, or No[essay]
CONTEXT: Kristof
LOOKING CLOSER: Reflecting Class
*Paul Fussell, A Touchy Subject [essay]
*Margaret Bourke White, The Louisville Flood, 1937 [photo]
*Jim Goldberg, USA. San Francisco. 1979; USA. San Francisco. 1982; and USA. San Francisco, 1982
*The Onion, National Museum of the Middle Class Opens in Schaumburg, IL [essay + photos]
*Bruce Gilden, 1984. Fifth Avenue [photo]
*Tina Barney, The Reunion [photo]
*Baby Phat, [advertisement]
*Nation cover, January, 2005

6. Reading Icons
*PORTFOLIO: Bathroom Signs [15 signs]
PAIR: Grant Wood, American Gothic [painting] and Guy Davenport, from The Geography of the Imagination [essay]
CONTEXT: Wood, American Gothic [photograph]
Mercedes-Benz, What Makes a Symbol Endure? [advertisement]
*Kari Lynn Dean, She Can't Smile Without You [essay + 5 details of Leonardo da Vinci's Mona Lisa]
*RETROSPECT: The Madonna [8 paintings]
*Sally Stein, *Passing Likeness: Dorothea Lange’s ‘Migrant Mother’ and the Paradox of Iconicity* [essay + 10 photographs]

**VISUALIZING COMPOSITION:** Metaphor

**PORTFOLIO:** Tibor Kalman [four images]

*Chip Kidd, *Super* [essay]

*Interview: Kidd


*RE:SEARCHING THE WEB

Neal Gabler, *Inside Every Superhero Lurks a Nerd* [essay]

**TALKING PICTURES**

Paul Rand, *Logos, Flags, and Estucheons* [essay]

Tom Perrotta, *The Cosmic Significance of Britney Spears* [essay]

*Coca-Cola, *Nu. Classic. Soul* [ad]

**LOOKING CLOSER:** The Stars and Stripes

*Ann Fadiman, *A Piece of Cotton* [essay]

Jesse Gordon, *What is America?* [op-art]

Justice William J. Brennan Jr., *Majority Opinion of the US Supreme Court in Texas v. Johnson* [legal opinion]


Matt Groening, *Pledging the Flag* [cartoon]

Several Artists, *Section of Sunnyside, Queens* [mural]

*Adbusters, *Corporate American Flag* [illustration]

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**INTERVIEW:** Fournier

Nick Hornby, *Richard Billingham* [essay with photos]

**PORTFOLIO:** WritersCorps [5 poems with images]

*Susan Sontag, from *Regarding the Pain of Others* [essay]

*RETROSPECT:* *Picturing American War* [5 photos]

James Rosenquist, *Professional Courtesy* [painting]

Office of National Drug Control Policy, *Parents, the Anti-Drug (Tommy)* [advertisement]

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**VISUALIZING COMPOSITION:** Point of View

*Edward Tufte, *Power Point is Evil* [essay + photo + 2 slides]

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*HP, *This photograph is not true* [ad]

Mitchell Stephens, *Expanding the Language of Photographs* [essay]

George Hunt, *Doctoring Reality to Document What’s True* [photograph]


Lance Cheung, *Untitled* and Charles Maxwell, *Hoax Photo* [photographs]
*Brian Walski, *March 31, 2003 [3 photos]*
*Carla Marinucci, *Doctored Kerry photo brings anger, threat of suit [essay + photos]*
*Rankin [2 photographs]*
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