

Reading response assignment #2

PART 1 – tentatively due Wednesday, February 21 by 8:50 AM

Use these two closely related questions as the basis for your reading response:

1. Do we literally see past objects, places, and events through photographs?
2. Suppose you literally see a particular event unfold—for example, a loved-one’s waving to you in the distance at the airport—and immediately store that event to memory. Exactly one week later, you recall that event in vivid visual detail and with almost complete accuracy. Your experience involves a memory image of your loved-one. Do you literally see your loved-one through this memory image?

Your task is to persuade your reader of your theses (answers yes/no) by providing **reasons** to accept those theses.

You can find the rubric upon which submissions will be graded via Files --> Assignment Info --> Instructions & Rubrics --> PHL317KReadingResponseRubric. Your response should be **500–700 words**.

To submit your assignment, please do **both** of the following:

1. Attach it as a **PDF** (**not** .pages, .doc, etc.) through Canvas.
2. Copy and paste your response into a new post on the “Discussion” forum from the left-hand menu and put your name in the title of the post.

PART 2 – tentatively due Friday, February 23 by 11:59 PM

Comment on another student’s submission. You should start by (briefly) indicating something you liked about the submission. Next, raise an objection to that submission. This may include (but is not limited to):

- Provide a reason to think that it fails to support its claims
- Propose a counterexample
- Argue that it trades on the ambiguity of key terms
- Argue that it depends on an assumption that should be rejected
- Provide a reason to think that it has an unforeseen but problematic consequence

Your comment should be 1–3 paragraphs in length and must be considerate and respectful. For your initial comment, please choose a submission that has not already received any comments. However, students are encouraged to leave additional comments on submissions they’ve read and to engage each other in discussion. In particular, responding to those objections should be good practice for the final paper.