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Last year, I was shown an article in *Time Magazine* about how we worry about the wrong causes for death in America. As much as terrorism, West Nile Virus and Plane crashes figured among the highest of our worries; these were only a mere speck compared to the lives taken by #1: Heart disease, #2: Cancer. These accounted for more than half, even 2/3 if I remember correctly. Then you had AIDS. Murders were way below alcohol related deaths.

My point? I wish I could be informed enough to see the big picture, as in the aforementioned article. I feel though as though my actions to fulfill current priorities are completely moot in doing so.

Say I want to save the world from global warming— do I buy a hybrid car? Bad news folks, new light bulbs and low emission vehicles won't change a darned thing, even if *everyone* did it. Why? Because we aren't a big enough part of the cause. It is simply large industry that releases most of the greenhouse gases. Why kid ourselves? I ask what can I do to *really* have an impact on climate change; maybe a person could start an information campaign to help suppress ignorance...

Get where I'm going? We need to see the big picture in order for us to make good action of our intentions.

Enter, [Perspective](#). In a visual context we could define it as: "[...] the way in which objects appear to the eye based on their spatial attributes, or their dimensions and the position of the eye relative to the objects."

Nowadays, I've been wondering what the Hell I should be concerned about. What should be my take on the world? Should I see it as atoms, civilizations, attitudes, or attaining happiness? What should be *my* perspective?

Moreover, what should I appreciate? The sacrifice of men and women for WWII is not nearly as appreciated as it has before. What about how others are feeling in other parts of the world? What about good people— how do I help them? What about greedy people— how do I stop them? How can I educate the ignorant? How can I best spend my time on this Earth to make an impact?

But most importantly, what the heck will I do once I graduate???

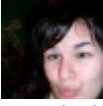
Cheers,
-Andrew

Written over a year ago –



[Valerie Arseneau](#) at 8:55am May 30

Had a lil morning soul searching there hun?



[Ysabelle Vautour](#) at 12:29pm May 30

Well j'aime sa quand tu pense. I think you should appreciate as much as you can. When reading your text I feel that you view perspective as one thing. You can have several perspectives and worldviews. Like when you speak of changing globas warming there is no one perfect solutions. Why give up if the impact is small?

I wonder and ask myself ... Read Moresimilar questions. Sometimes I like to look through questionnaires and personality quizzes to figuer out what I am like. I can provide some vocabulary to describe yourself.

On the other hand I can find myself a bit divided by who I want to be, who I was and what I think about myself at the time (my mood). But what I really want to know is who I am really and who I am to other people.

Sometimes I am surprized by the way people see me. It's hard for me to know what image I project to others. For instance in a crowd of extroverts I am the quiet one but in a gang of introverts I am extrovert. I would be nice to have everyone you know describe you.



[Pierre-André Doucet](#) at 8:27pm May 30

Hmmm tu as très raison.

Et ton soul-searching est très cute. La réponse à tous tes problèmes, c'est "tu devrais me toucher".



[Ysabelle Vautour](#) at 9:41pm May 30

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parles tu a moi ou a Drew