

Chapter 1 Critique Exercise

Sr. Group Member: _____

Read the First Chapter of the book, then the Published Version of the Helical Mirror paper and address the following questions.

- 1) Who is the primary audience for the Helical Mirror paper?

- 2) What (that's relevant to the paper) will they already know?

- 3) Why will they read it?

- 4) How will they read it?

- 5) What's the basic organizing structure of the paper?

- 6) Note examples of how, between the early and final drafts, it's been improved along the following lines (if it *has* been improved.) No need to do a thorough comparison, just cite specific examples.
 - a. **Structure:**
 - i. Organization

 - ii. Depth

 - iii. Transitions

 - iv. Placement of emphasis

b. Language

i. Precision (saying what is meant)

ii. Clarity (avoiding ambiguity, confusion, and misinterpretation)

iii. Forthright (a tone that's sincere and straightforward, not silly or pretentious)

iv. Familiarity (connecting new information to things the reader already knows; using words, examples, and analogies that the reader recognizes)

v. Conciseness (efficient, gets to the point)

vi. Fluidity (meaning and logic are easy to follow from sentence to sentence and paragraph to paragraph)

c. Illustration: use and integration into the text