

Second paper. NB: no paraphrases; answer in your own words. Be sure to explain any technical terminology. Please write *five* pages.

What is the "picture theory of mental images" (or the "depictive theory"), as defended by Kosslyn? What is the rival "sententialist" (or "propositionalist") view? Assess Pylyshyn's criticisms (select the two or three you think the most important) of the picture theory, and Kosslyn's response (in the three assigned TCS pieces). Is there a clear victory for one side, or not enough evidence either way? Or has the issue not been stated with sufficient precision to allow the debate to be resolved? Give reasons for your answers.

In writing your paper, give a clear, explicit, and non-metaphorical characterization of the picture theory. (Unspecific comparisons, e.g. 'like a picture', are insufficient.) You should discuss Kosslyn's map scanning experiment that both PS and AB described in class, and the relevance (or otherwise) of neuroimaging data.

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