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Memories are valuable

Observance of memories is the indispensable way of building your skills, imagination, and a lifetime thing to go back remember the good times I have been through. While taking pictures of something, I think for me it predicate more on my mood describing my emotions and feelings. Photography is an art and process of taking photographs that relates to me, remember memories, and defines my dominant impression about it. Photography is a special element that we experience almost everyday in our daily lives. The first picture was “Kiss and Fly.” The second picture was “ Where I Found Peace.” I like to take pictures of things that relate to me portraying my emotions, or mood in the picture, known as dominant impression. It is important for me to take pictures and keep it for memories for future to look back at them and smile. The most important subject on examining a photograph is what message does the picture portrays and what can we learn, and obtain from it.

The picture “Kiss And Fly” captured by me on Belt Parkway near John F. Kennedy International Airport in the afternoon. In this picture you can see the sky in the background, the trees, clouds, an airplane, and the fence. The Pro-filmic Event happening in this picture is, I’m going with my family to drop my mom to John F. Kennedy international airport on the highway and I seen the sign “Kiss and Fly” and immediately the view of landscape and a plane was passing by caught my attention, and I took a picture of it. I will always look at this pic and remember when my mom left and I will miss her. It’s a very memorable moment for me and means a lot to me. The other photo is, “Where I Found Peace.” This picture is really my favorite one because this is one of my favorite places to relax and be stress-free. In this picture we can observe, there is dark shade of water faded, lights, street lamps, bridge with lights, and plain dark clouds. I usually come to this place called Caesar’s Bay Mall and right next to it is a beautiful sight of view that will make you feel relaxed, and calm. This picture was taken near Caesars Bay Mall well known in Brooklyn, New York.

These two pictures both are landscape view of beautiful scenery. The colors shown in both of the pictures are very dull, shows calmness and kind of sadness. The pro filmic event before taking these pictures shows emotions of being sad and stressed out. Even though one picture is in evening time and one is at night time they both are beautiful, relaxing, and have a point of interest. The first picture we can tell by looking at the title and the plane, what it is trying to tell the viewers. The second picture can be also told by reading the title and looking at the picture what is it trying to tell the reader. I am comparing these two photos because they are both emotional for me it will be memorable for me to always go back and look at. The feeling are also the same. These photos shows my involvement with taking pictures of landscapes, and my choice like mentioned by John Berger on “Understanding a Photograph,” “ Photographs bear witness to human choice being exercised in given situation.” What Berger is saying that, whatever situation we are in and when we make choices it affects our own very self. We tell viewers what is worth taking a picture of and what we find interesting.

The article “On Photography,” by Susan Sontag is very well written to know her ideas about photography. One of her quotes “Like a wood fire in a room, photographs-especially those of people, of distant landscapes and faraway cities, of the vanished past- are incitements to reverie.” I strongly believe and agree with this quote of her because it’s a fact in reality and I believe in it as the same perspective she does. When I take pictures of landscapes and cites or something with nice scenery, I always day dream and think about stuff with feeling of being relaxed. Another quote of Sontag’s is “A photograph is not just the result of an encounter between an event and a photographer; picture-taking is in event in itself, and one with ever more peremptory rights-to interfere with, to invade or to ignore whatever is going on.” I also concede with this thought of her and I can relate to it in many ways.

Photography is an art and skills to take pictures of something with a reason. I have learned that pictures are worth taking if it symbolizes your mood, feelings, or emotionalism. It also symbolizes as memories and we can keep those memories for a long time until they are safe and secure. I took these two pictures because I had same emotions and feelings before pro-filmic event. The Pro-filmic event is very special and meaningful for me. The colors, titles, and objects and terms such as: stadium, punctum, Dominant impression, and etc.., impacts on pictures that shows what this particular simulacrum is trying to tell the viewers or what they can learn from it.

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