INITIAL DESIGN BRIEF

1. **Design Problem** Create something using sustainable design

2. **Possible Solutions** Your 10 homework concepts

3. **Selected Solution** The concept you prefer

4. **Brainstorm Web** for selected concept

5. **Description of Concept** with emphasis on target audience

6. **Strategies and Solutions** Possible outcomes, potential difficulties

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**Writing a Design Brief**

The information compiled should describe the project you have selected and explain your course of action.

- **Design Problem**
  - Describe what you intend to design.

- **Target Audience or Client**
  - Outline who you are designing it for.

- **Solution**
  - Analyze your solution to the problem. Record your thought process including ideas that were discarded or revised. This section should essentially be what you will present during critique. Thoroughly explain the specifications of the project and what the final solution to it is.

- **Application**
  - Create a preview of the ultimate application of your design in the form of an in-context diagram, a mock layout, sample product, etc.

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Two Page Magazine Spread
DESIGN BRIEF - OPEN PROJECT

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Design Problem:
I tend to design an addition to my friend's art and collage oriented t-shirt line, jejune.

Target Audience:
Within the age range of 15 - 30, the shirts are designed with a certain level of quality where price is not really an object. The shirts in the line are made like compositions; not just a shirt with a design on it. Sold at boutiques, and high-end department stores, Saks, Nordstroms, etc.

Design Solution:
To create a shirt that merges images seamlessly, and creates a unified, high contrast, and interesting product. The main objective is to create a visually appealing that's surreal and makes you look twice. It's not just a shirt, mainly because it's a shirt designed by designers.

Open Project - Design Brief

Design Problem
Redesign the book covers for two popular books of modern philosophy. - Michel Foucault's "Power/Knowledge" and Friedrich Nietzsche's "Beyond Good and Evil". Cover redesigns should reflect the contents as well as appeal to a younger audience.

Target Audience
The intended audience for these book covers is a younger, university-strengthened crowd. Modern philosophy classes are increasing in popularity among college-aged adults, ranging from ages 18 to 25. These adults are more likely to read books assigned to them in class if the books actually look interesting, because everyone judges a book by its cover. These adults also wouldn't go out of their way to read these types of books, but can be easily drawn in to something that appeals to their eyes.

Design Solution
Since the previous covers to these books were heavily text based, they were actually quite boring to look at, and one could imagine, boring to read. The books themselves are masterpieces in modern philosophy, and I want their covers to reflect that. At the same time, I want them to appeal to the college-aged crowd, because more often than not, that's about the age of people who will read these books for the first time, so appealing to this group is of utmost importance. At first, I wanted these books to maintain their classics appeal and just modernize them, but as I progressed in researching design elements, I decided that being a bit flashy is okay, as long as it reflects the contents of the book. That is how the cover for Nietzsche's book was born. In regards to Foucault's book, since "Power/Knowledge" is actually a collection of his writings and interviews of his, I thought it would be appropriate to have a photograph of him on the cover. At the same time, I wanted the photograph to be abstract; the whole cover reflects one of Foucault's most famous philosophical concepts; knowledge is power. The most difficult part of these designs was definitely trying to design something that would appeal to young people without being objective while still maintaining a clean look that would appeal to a generation older audience.

Application
After completing these designs, I mounted the covers on the respective books to give a feel of how it looks actually on a book, and what kind of curb appeal it might have in a bookstore or library.

Design Brief

Design Problem: An advertisement for a high end make up company that will be featured in magazines such as YM, Seventeen, and Teen Cosmopolitan.

Target: This ad is for male and female who wear make up at the ages of 15-25.

Solution: This advertisement is a picture of the product and its beauty in itself. The photo shows the sleek lines vibrant color scheme as well as great pigmentation. All of which are essential when choosing make up.

Application:
Two page magazine spread

Full page bleed