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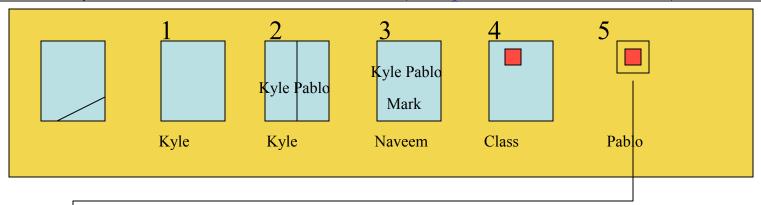
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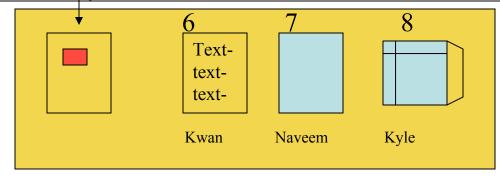
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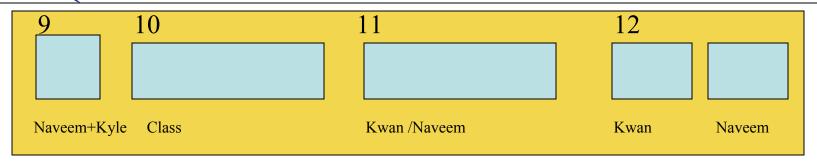
SEQUENCE ONE: EXTRACTION (Sample Student interaction)

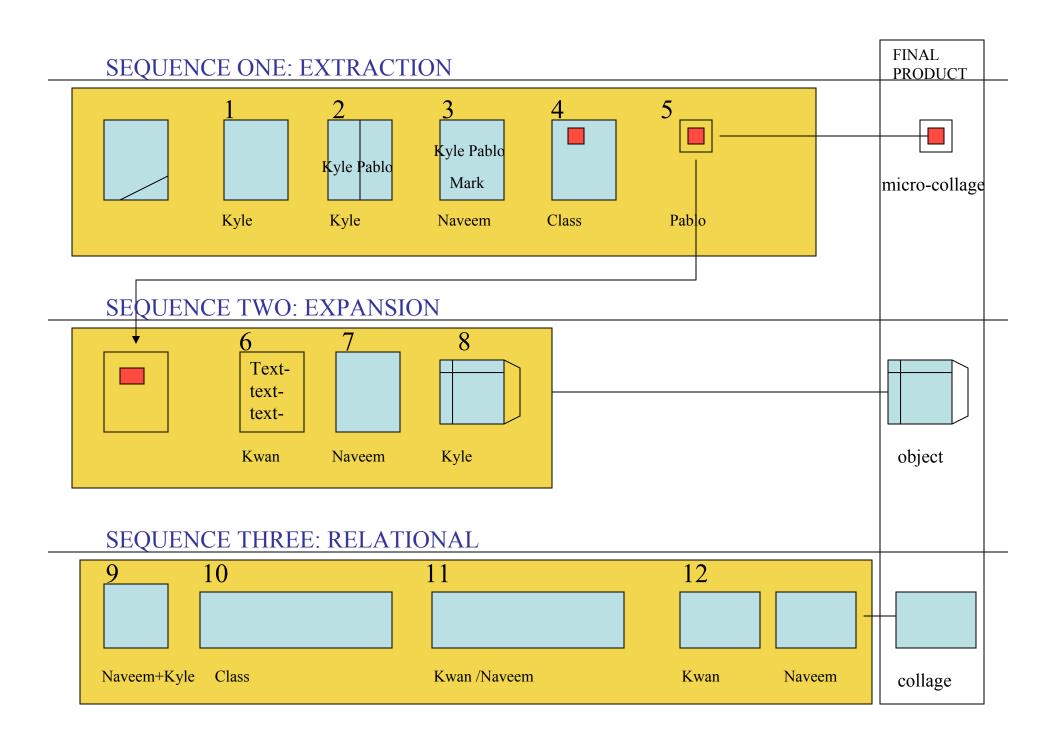


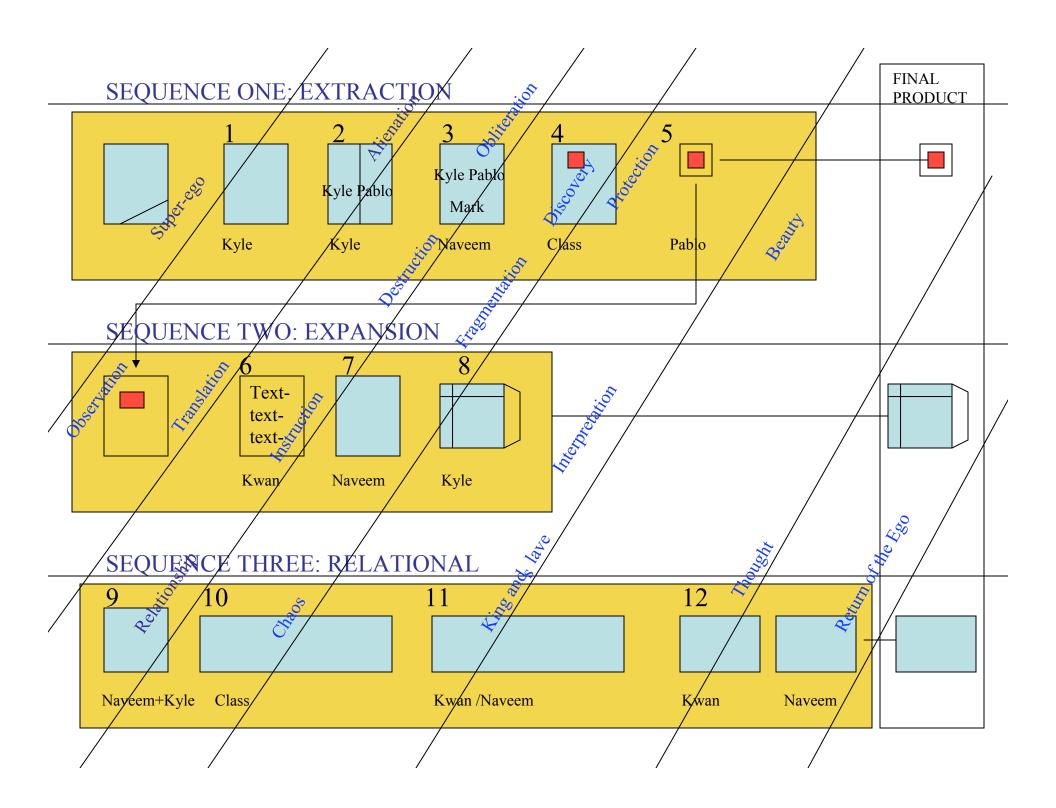
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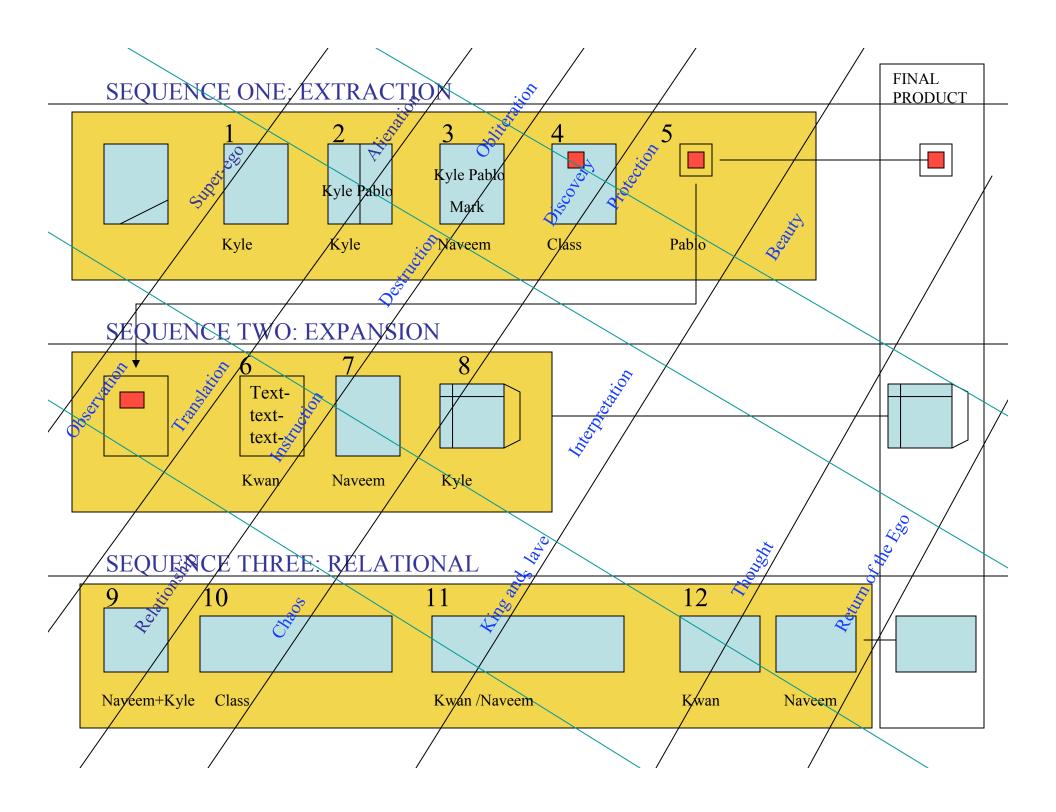


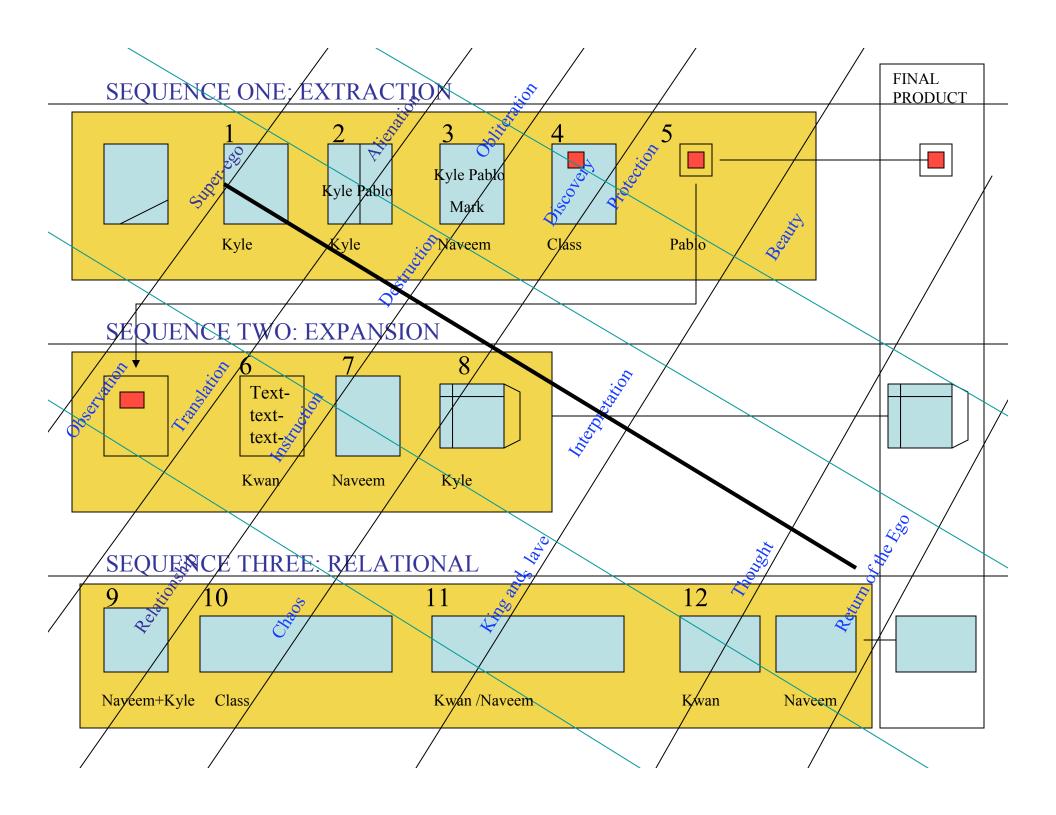
SEQUENCE THREE: RELATIONAL



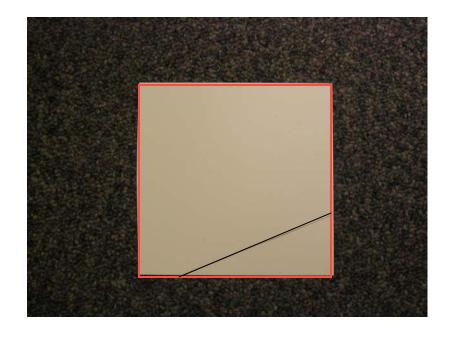


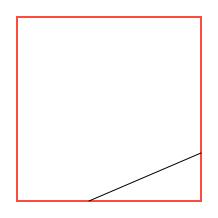






The students were each given a 8"X 8" white board with a line drawn arbitrarily on it. They were asked to "do" a collage in twenty minutes. This was to test their assumption that the line was arbitrary and thus meaningless. What is it that we notice in the environment and what is it that we ignore?

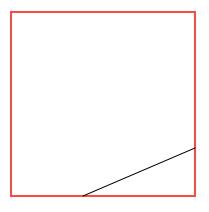




No one in the class noticed the line. Life's Lesson Number One.











Each "collage" was cut in half and students were given two pieces arbitrarily. (Life's Lesson number Two.) They had to unify - or in some way create a whole - out of the two sides.

Back of a collage.





I used white house paint to cover over and obliterate the entire surface of the "collage" that the students had worked on the previous week. (Life's Lesson Number Three.) Students had to recover their design and/or in some way deal with the obliteration of their work.



Over-painted split collage.

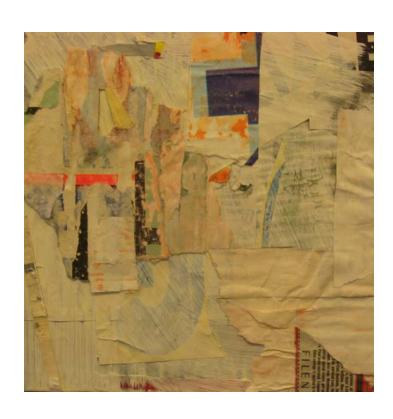


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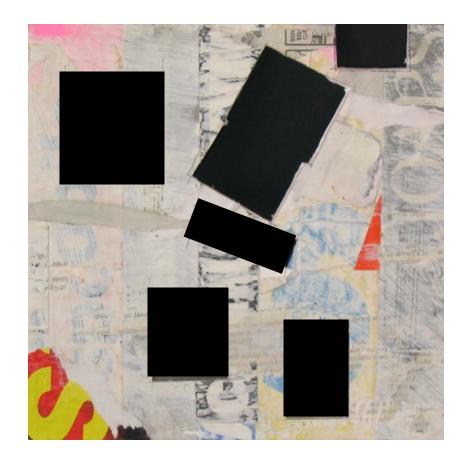


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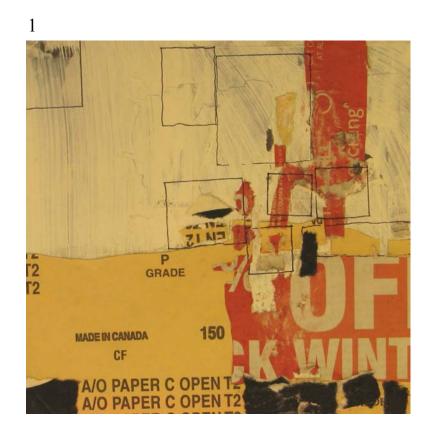




Students, in consultation with each other, had to take cut out small square mini-collages out of the boards. Using paper and moving it across the surface of the larger work, they extracted as many moments of aesthetic quality as they could find.



Extraction in various phases.





Pieces isolated and distributed to class members.





Students were asked to frame the mini-collages in any way that they thought suitable. The frame was a way to protect and enhance works that are otherwise insubstantial or fragmentary. The frame also, obviously, defines the nature of the viewing condition.

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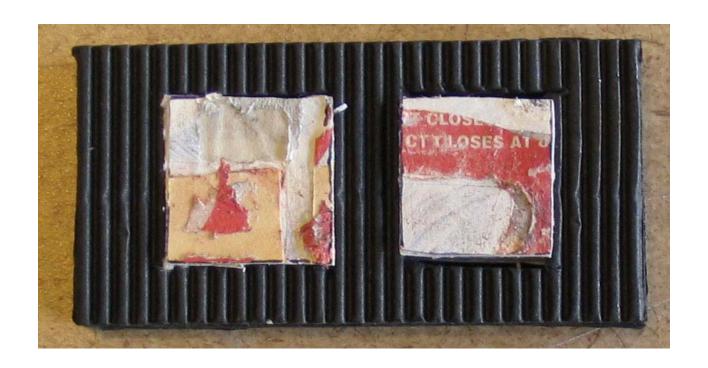




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