Educational Texts

Due: Friday, 9/12

According to John Dewey, “The development within the young of the attitudes and dispositions necessary to the continuous and progressive life of a society cannot take place by direct conveyance of beliefs, emotions, and knowledge. It takes place through the intermediary of the environment.”

Consider the communities/societies of which you are a part. What are the “educational environments” of those communities? How are “the young” or newcomers educated into those communities? Do you agree with Dewey’s theory of the role of environment in an education? Why or why not?

Choose one of your communities and bring to class one text that represents the educational environment of this community. Consider your choices here. Take a risk. What’s a text?