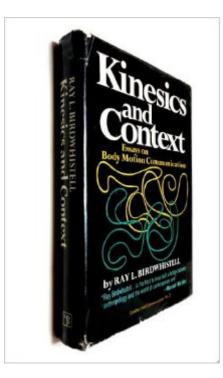
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# Kinesics And Context: Essays On Body Motion Communication (University Of Pennsylvania Publications In Conduct And Communication)





## Synopsis

Ray L. Birdwhistell, in this study of human body motion (a study he terms "kinesics"), advances the theory that human communication needs and uses all the senses, that the information conveyed by human gestures and movements is coded and patterned differently in various cultures, and that these codes can be discovered by skilled scrutiny of particular movements within a social context.

## **Book Information**

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Primary text for nonverbal communication research, good (and/or necessary) if you are into this stuff and need to do your research. Otherwise, the language and data are getting a bit outdated. Goes into detail on some things that most nonverbal texts don't address, which suggests it was written to be more comprehensive or was created prior to a splintering of the subfields. Definitely informative and interesting.

In spite of the fact that the book's intentions appear to be specific to Body Motion Communication, the book nevertheless has important lessons to impart on communication in general. The author leaves the reader with important insights into a broad range of human behavior, from child care to courtship and including many other classifications of behavior which, like almost ALL human behavior, revolve around communication.

Great Condition. It did not have the piece of information I was looking for. Birdwhistell only references the 24 steps, never defines them. My hunt continues.

This book is strictly a scholarly work which contains no actionable insights. As I am a layperson who intended to use this book for practical purposes, it did not meet my needs one iota.

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