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Publishing Forms

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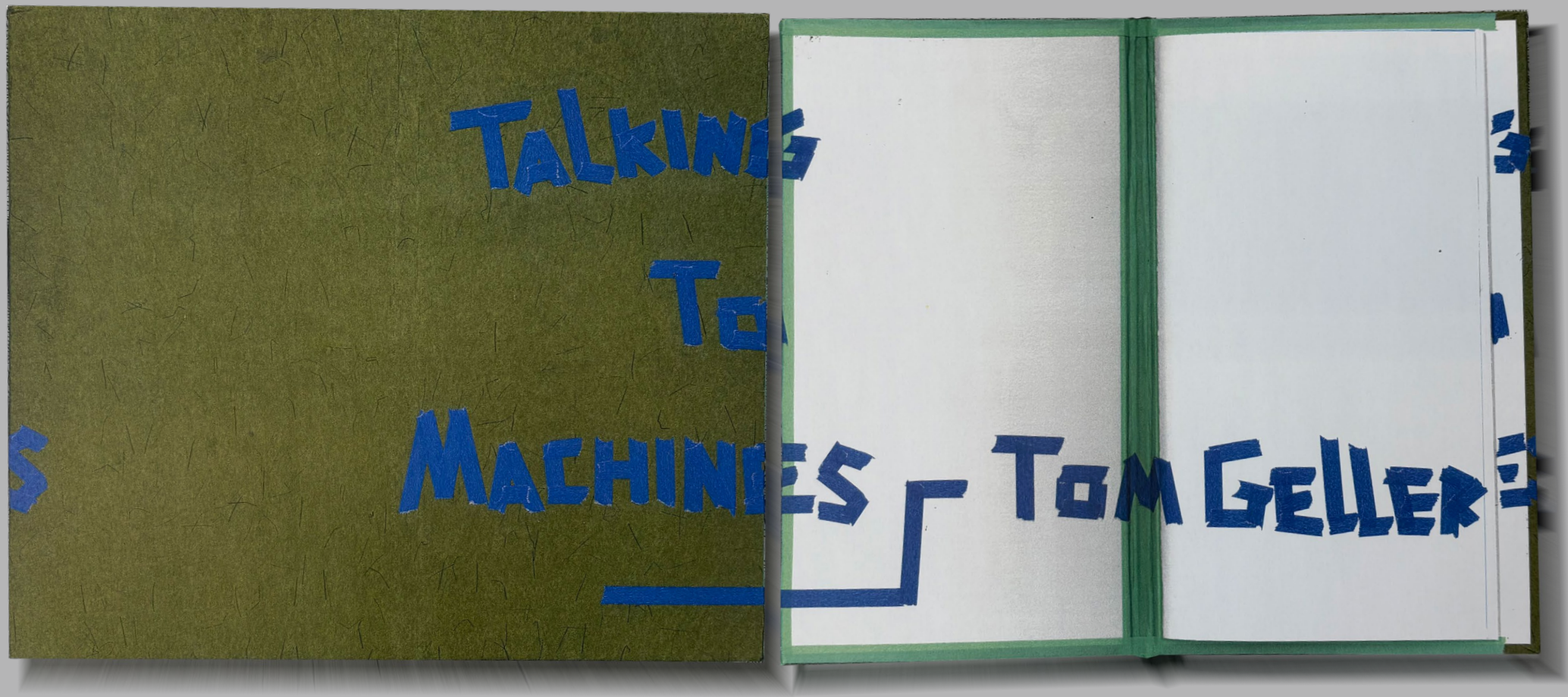

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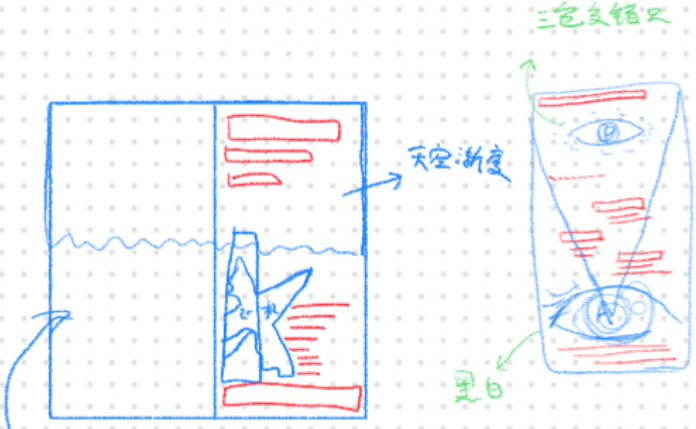

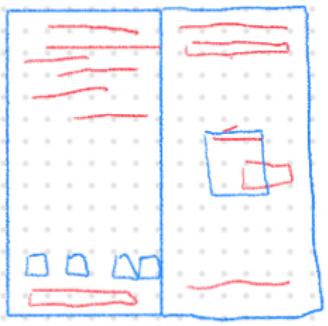

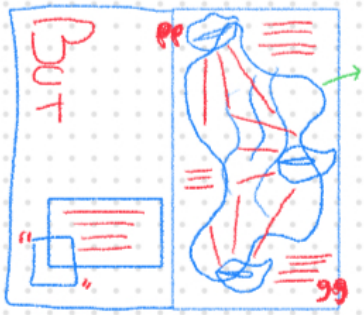

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意义。语音识别的两大主要应用--听写和命令识别--迫使研究人员追求兼顾词汇、口音和语境需求的并行方法。

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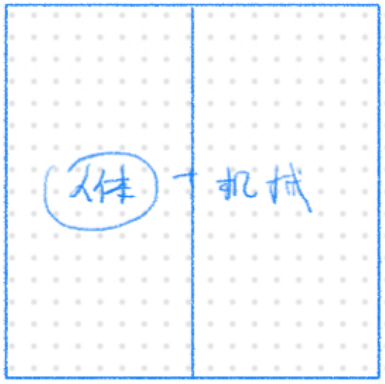

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虽然初始培训不像以前那样必要，但听写程序仍然在你使用它们时进行自我训练。 Ma- honey说："该程序研究了三件事来了解其用户。""首先是声学。 你到底是怎么说话的？ 这就是初始培训过去的重点。 其次是你使用的单词类型——你的spo-ken写作风格。 第三是各种用户偏好，例如您如何说数字和名称，以及您希望如何格式化它们。 因此，如果你说，"我给了你两美元和四十二美分"，程序知道将它转录为"我给了你2.42美元。"'

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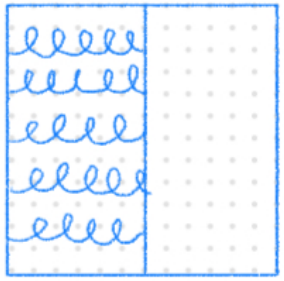
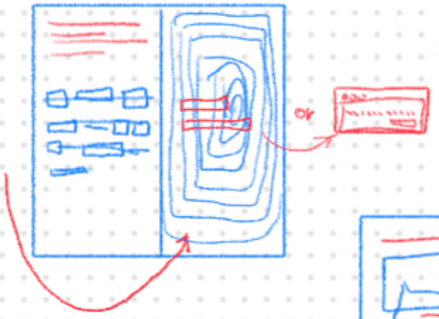
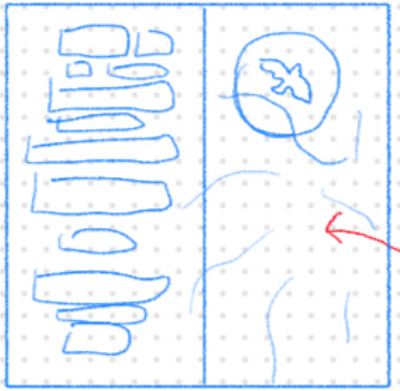


去年 10 月，当苹果将 Siri 添加到 iOS 操作系统中时，iPhone 用户开始通过手机与 Siri 对话。

手机进行对话。该程序可将 "今晚 6 点与丽莎共进晚餐 "等口语命令转换为电话预约、网络搜索等功能，是迄今为止最广泛传播的认知辅助工具。配备 Siri 功能的 iPhone 4S 在首个周末就售出了 400 多万部。虽然我们可能认为它只是简单的语音识别，但它的能力远远超出了简单的转录。





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Book Design

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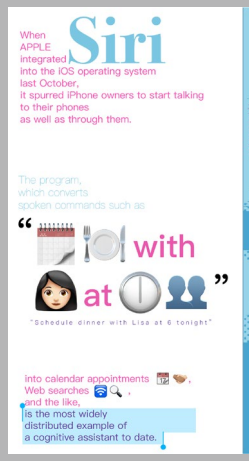

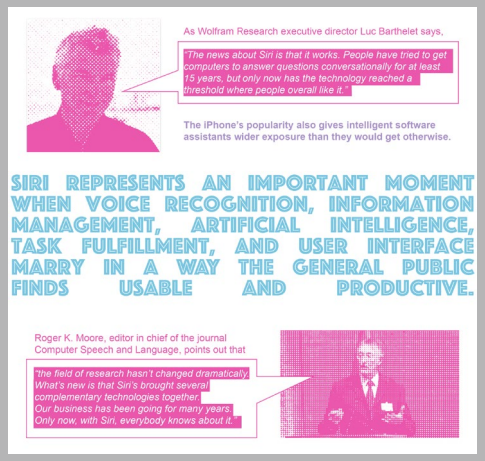

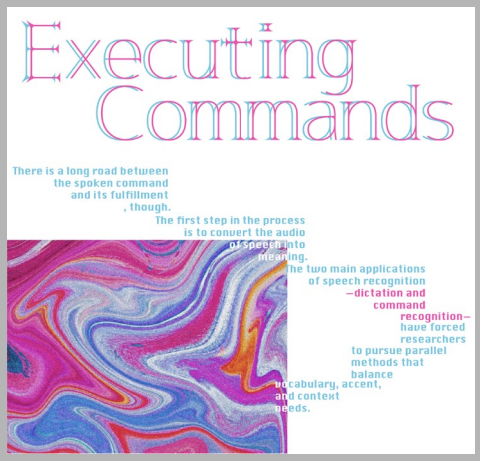

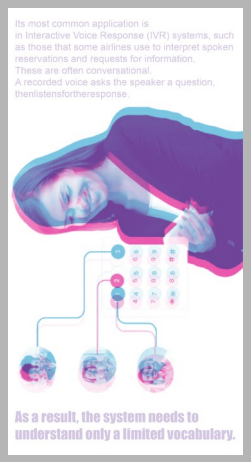

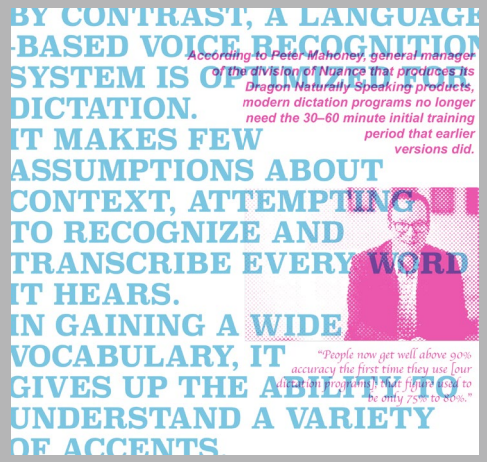

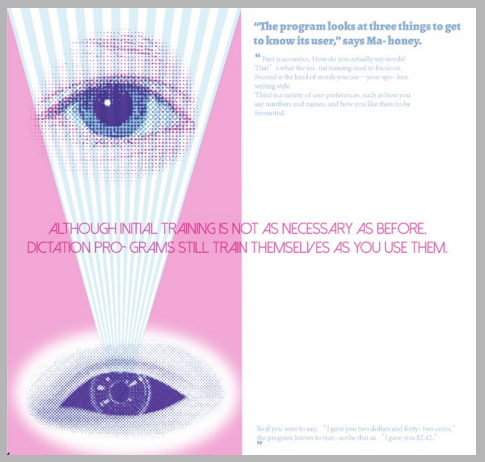

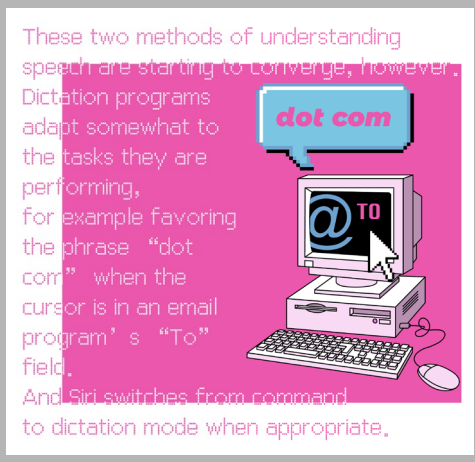

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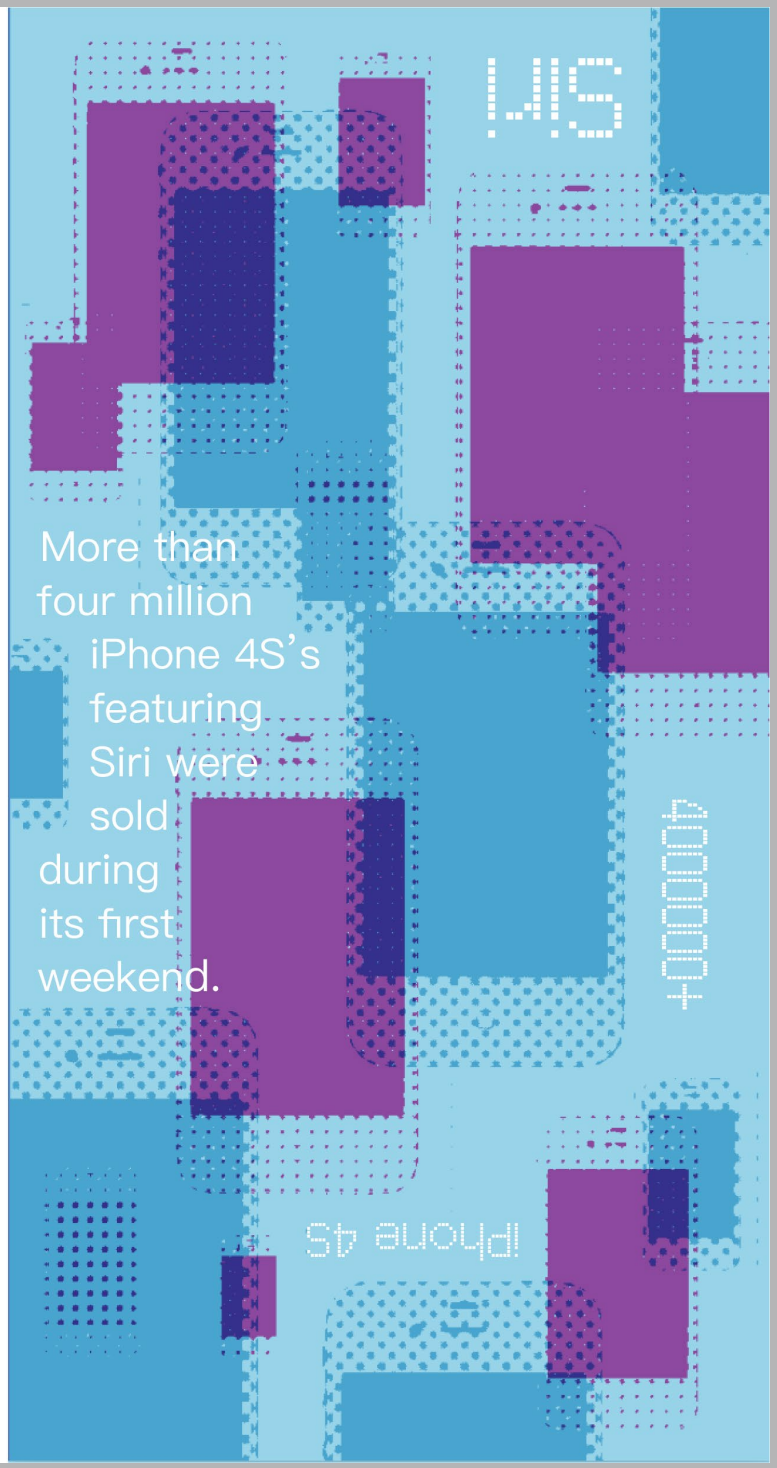

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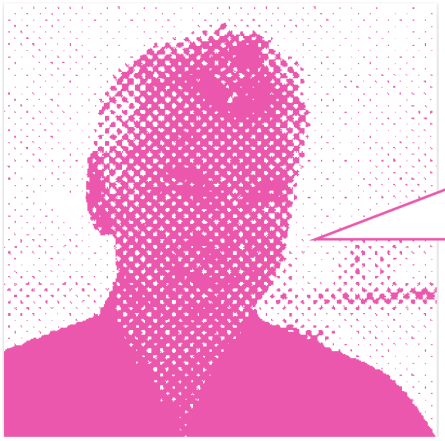

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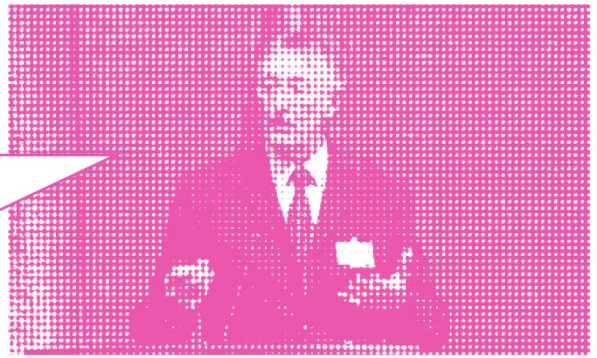

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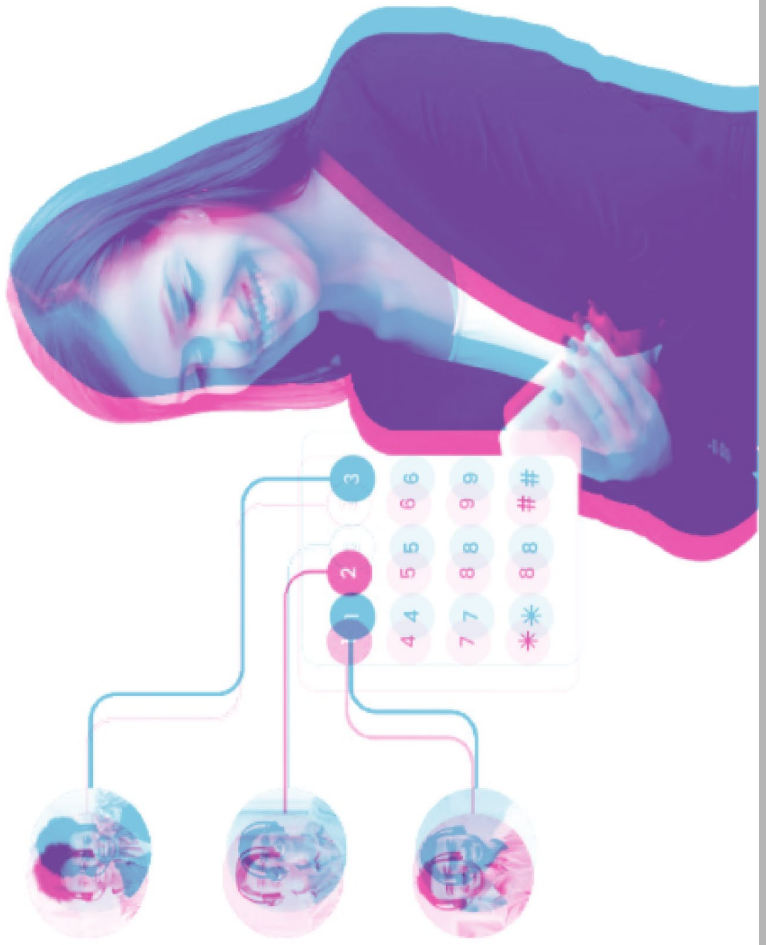

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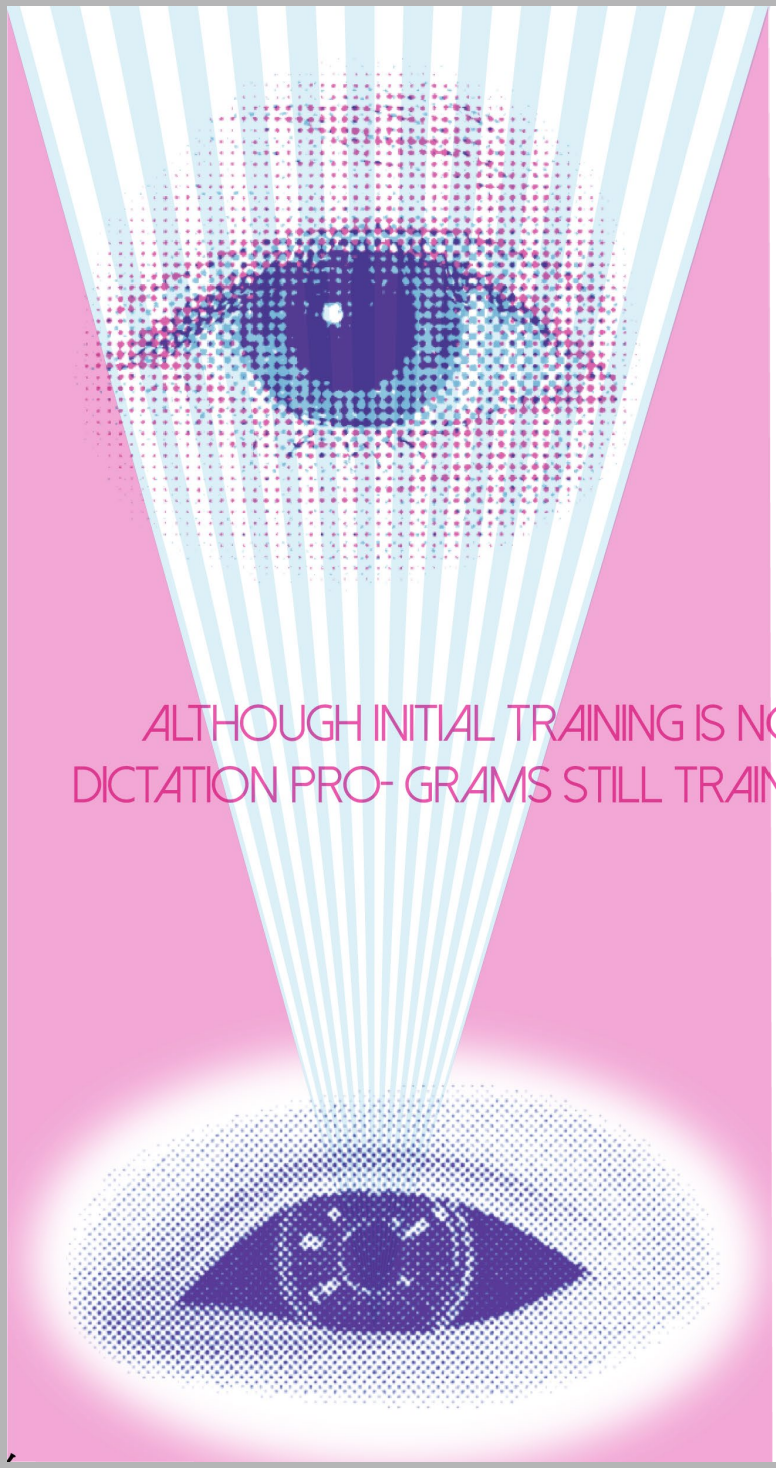

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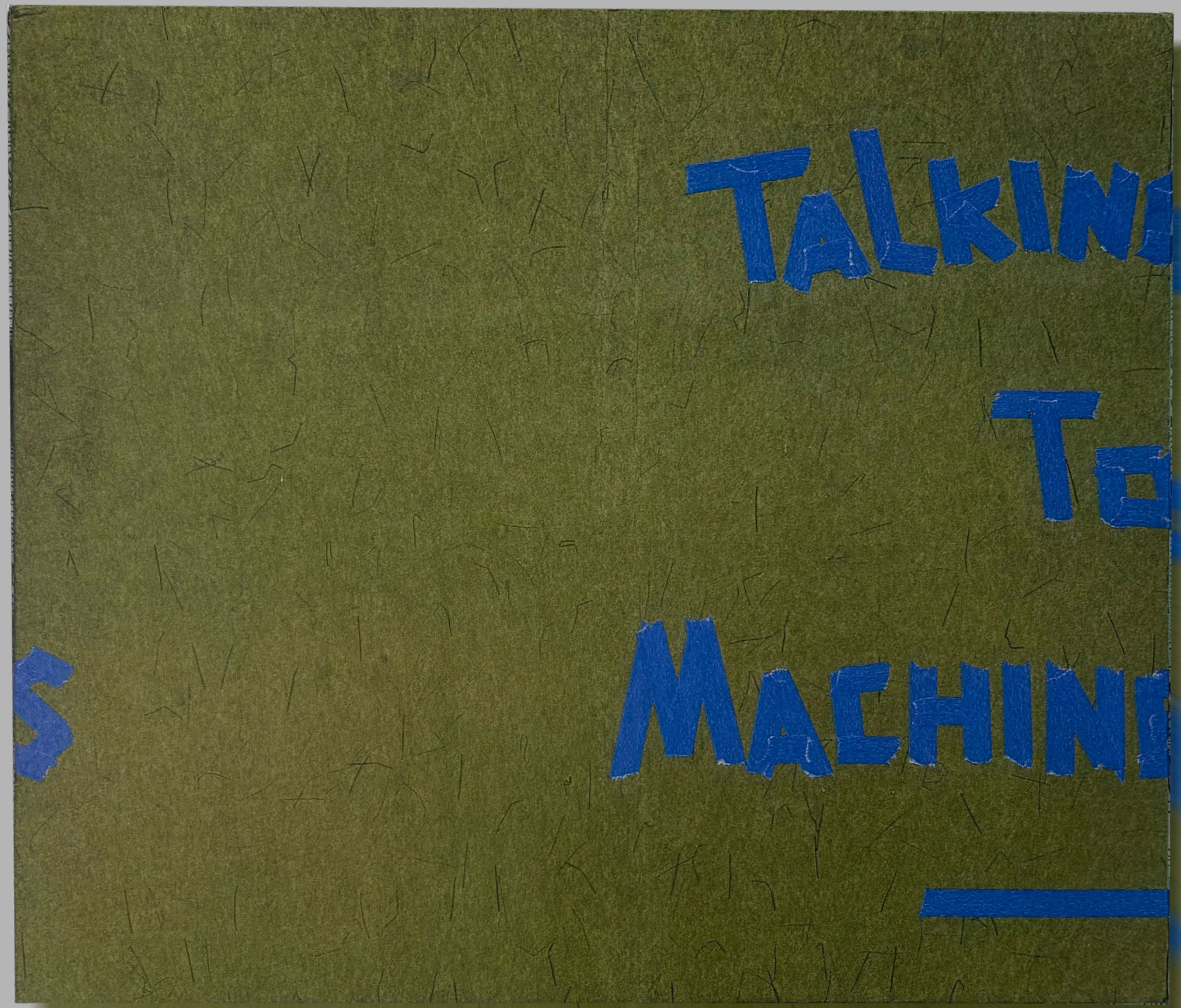
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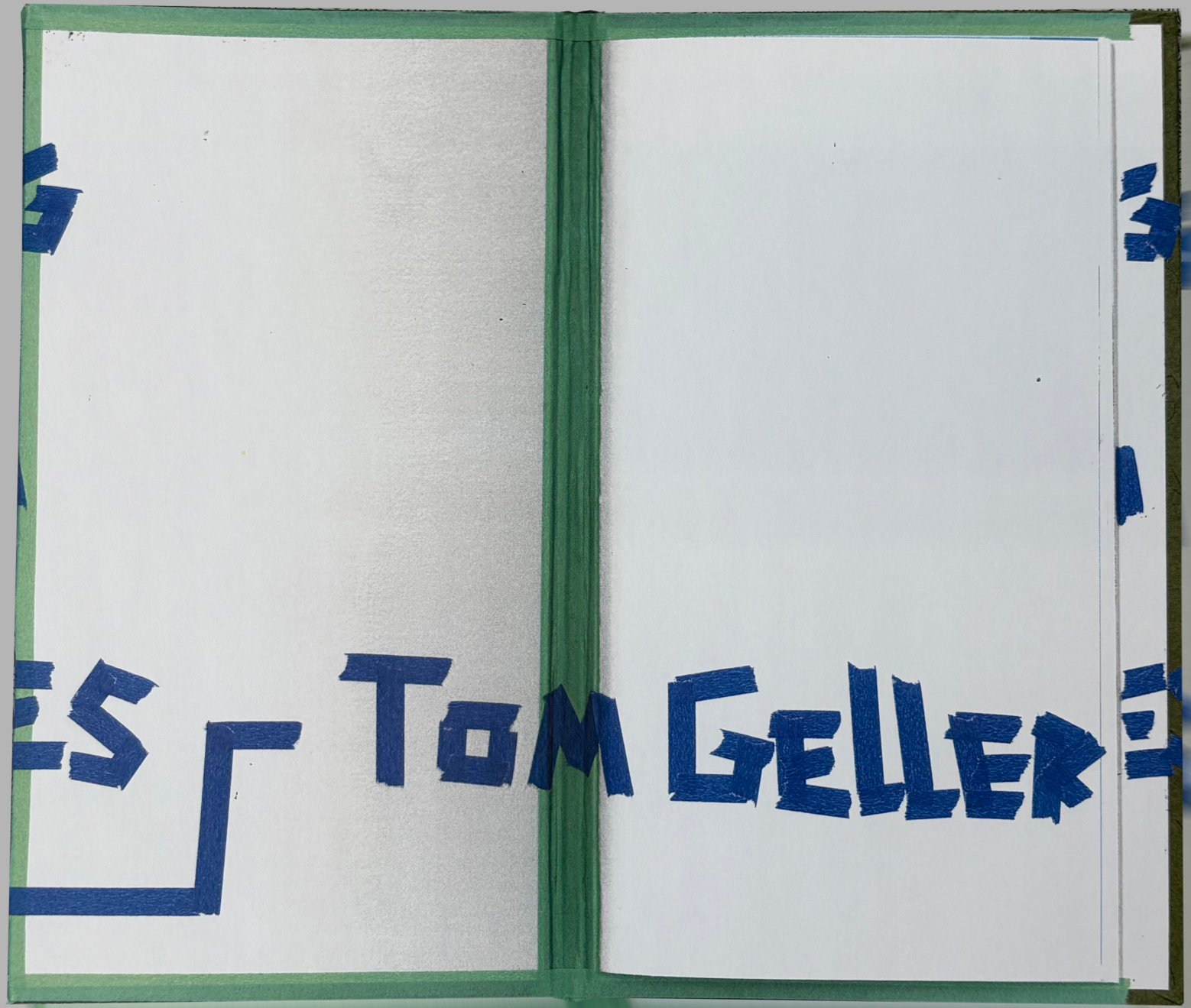
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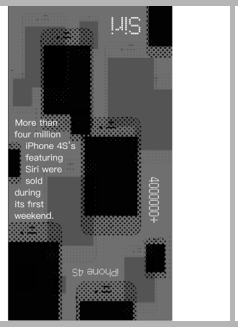

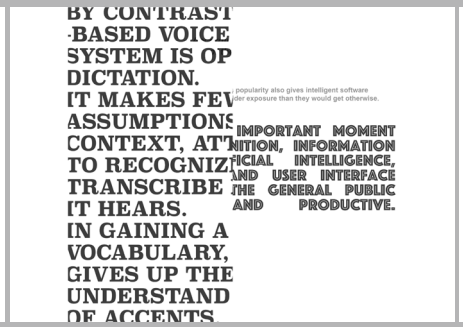

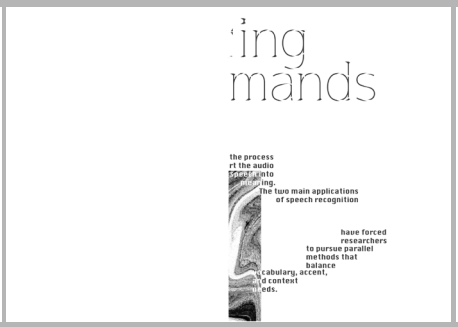

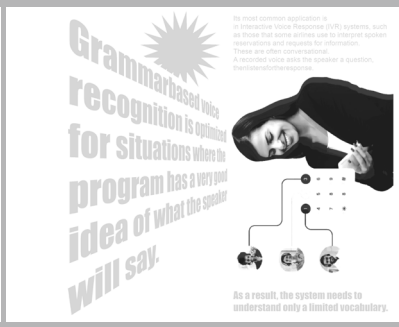

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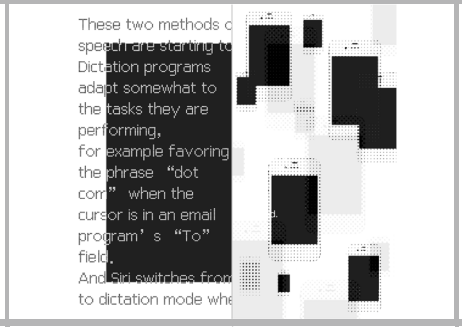
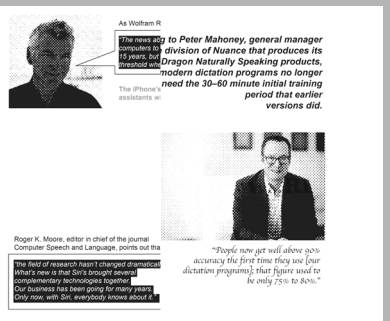
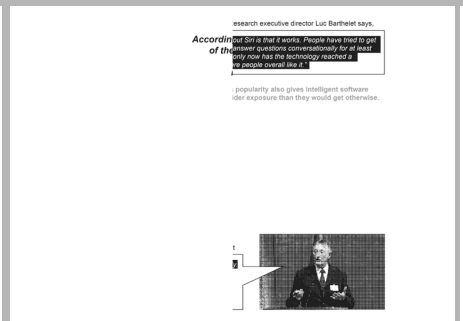
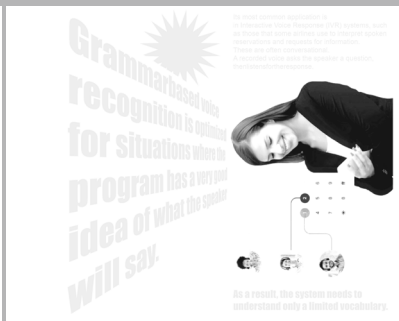


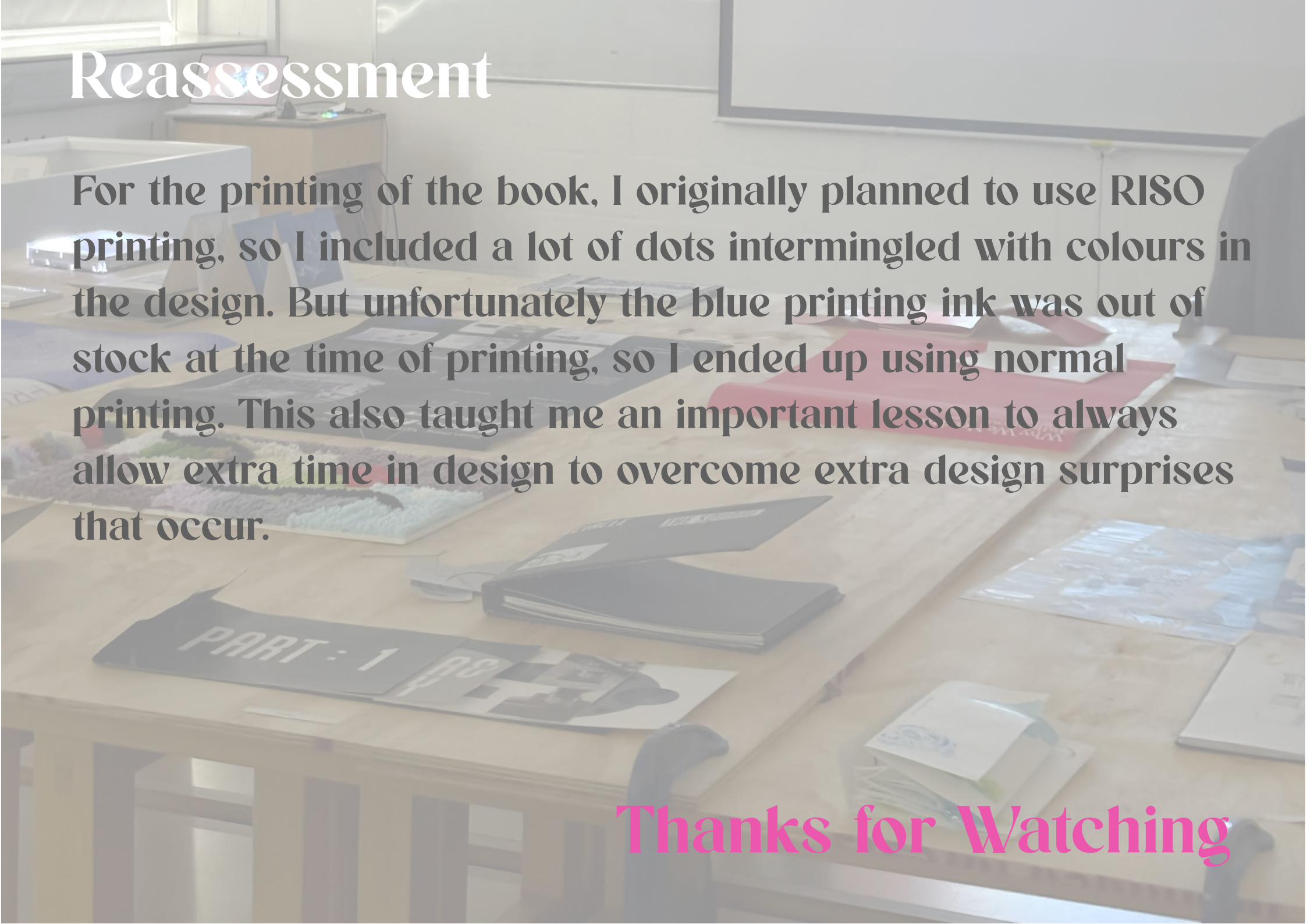






Reassessment

For the printing of the book, I originally planned to use RISO printing, so I included a lot of dots intermingled with colours in the design. But unfortunately the blue printing ink was out of stock at the time of printing, so I ended up using normal printing. This also taught me an important lesson to always allow extra time in design to overcome extra design surprises that occur.



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