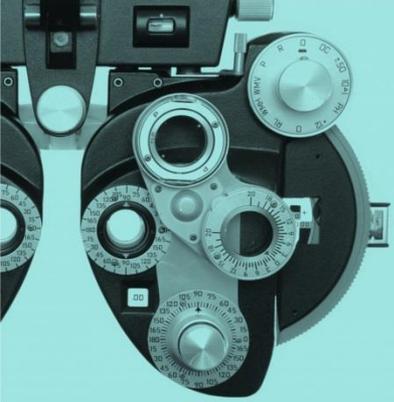
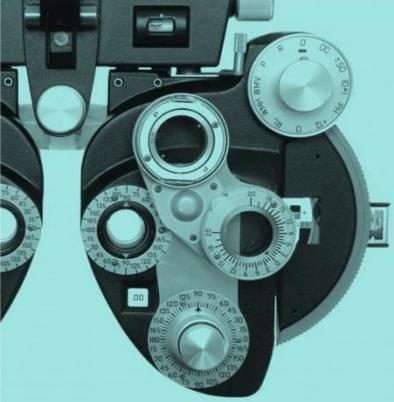


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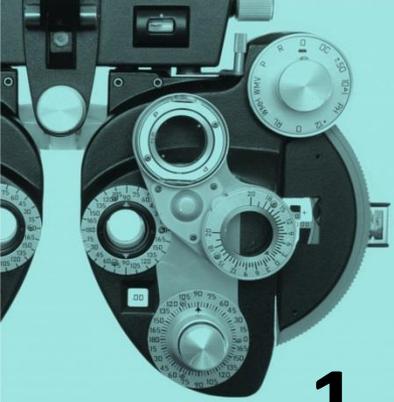
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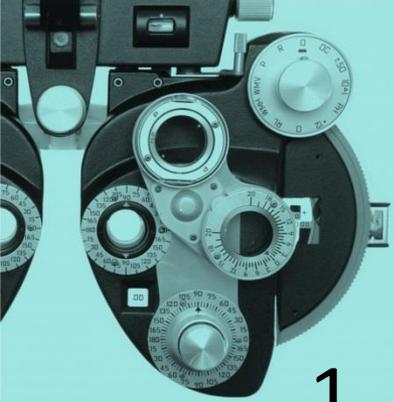


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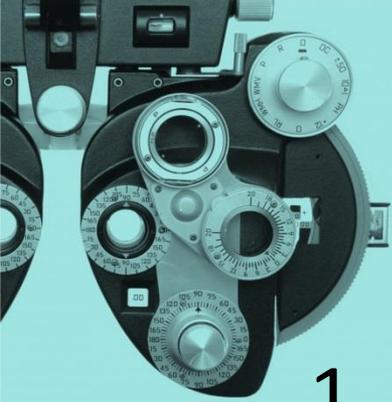
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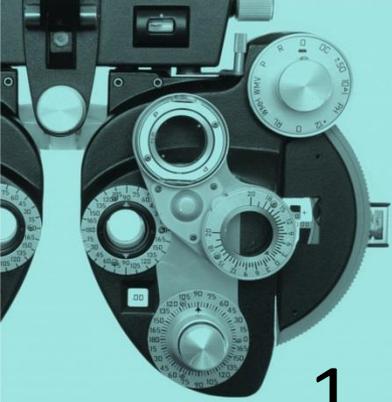
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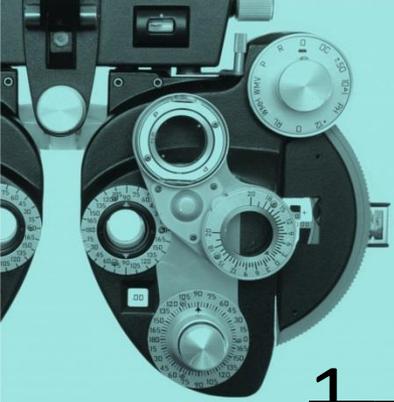
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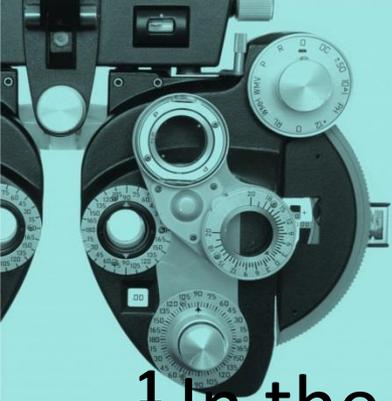
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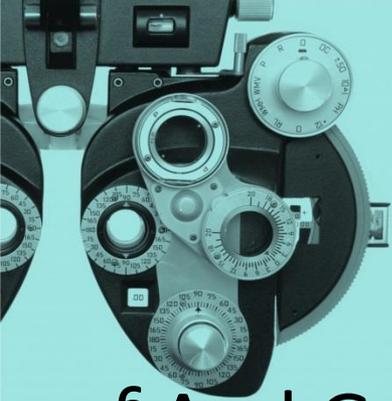
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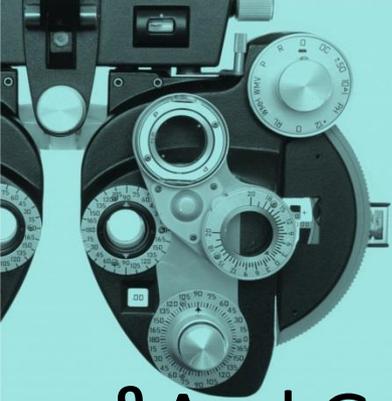
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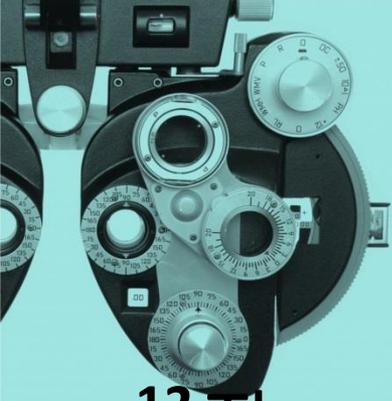
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⁶ And God said, “Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.”⁷ And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. ⁸ And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.



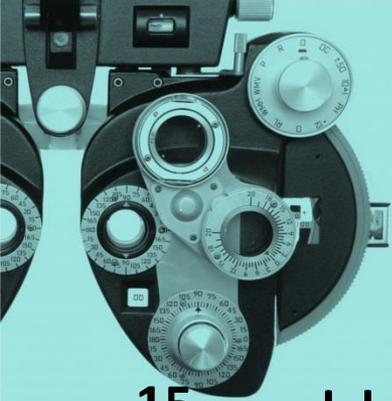
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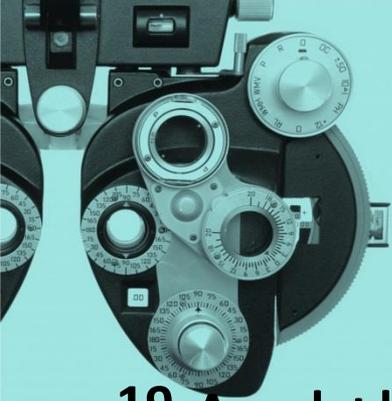
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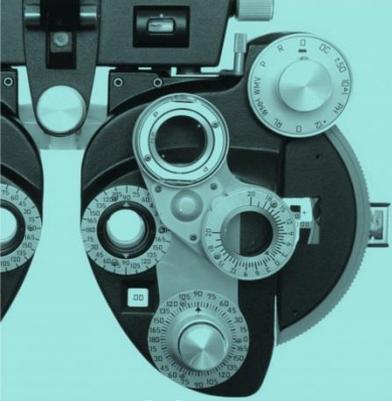
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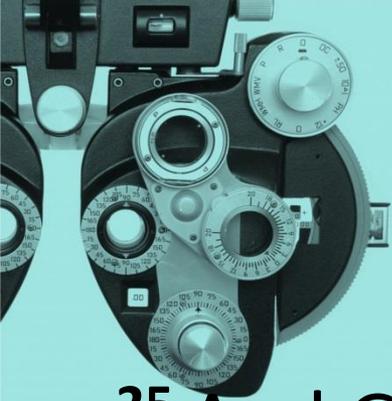
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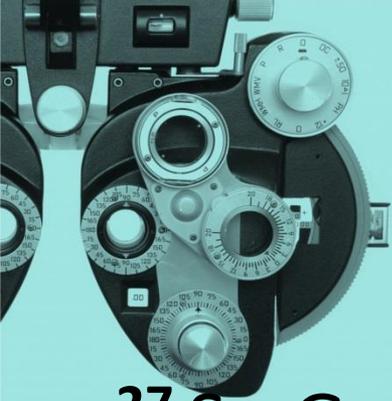
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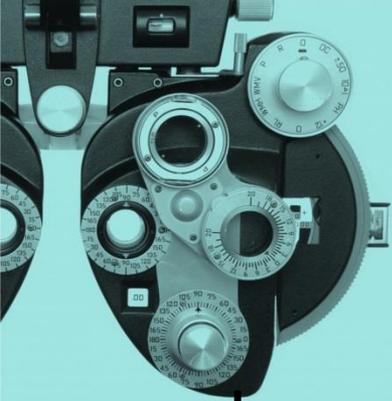
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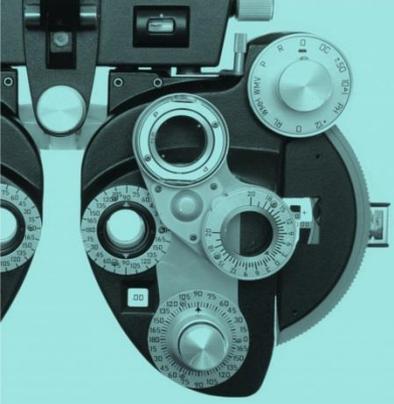
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²⁷ So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. ²⁸ And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” ²⁹ And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth,

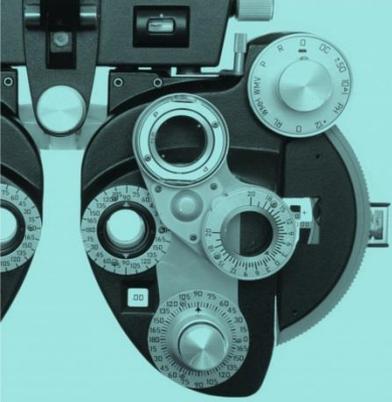


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and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. ³¹ And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

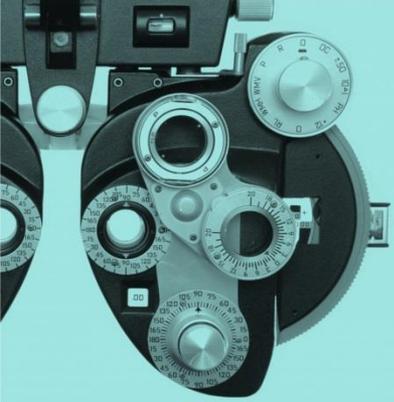


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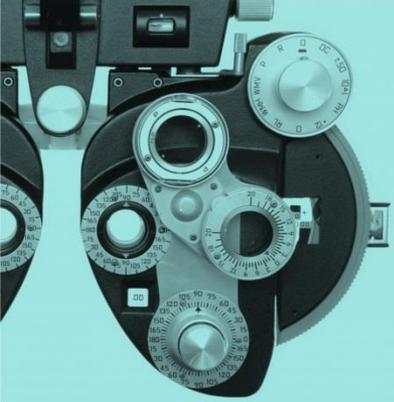


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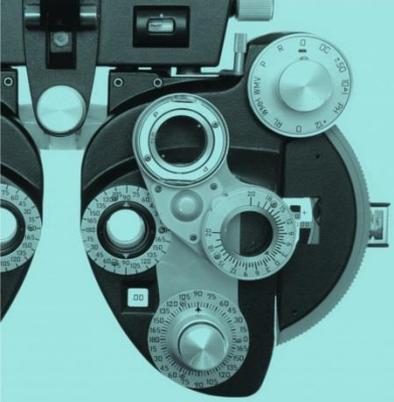


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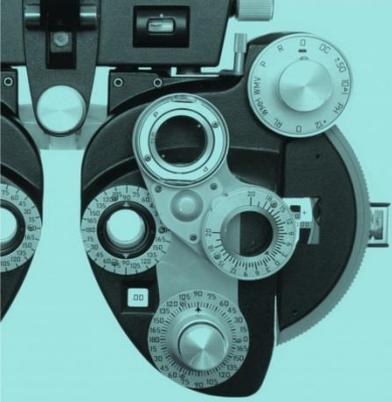
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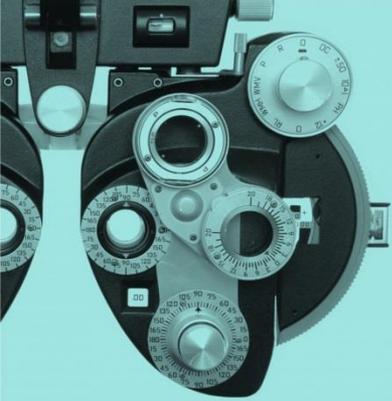


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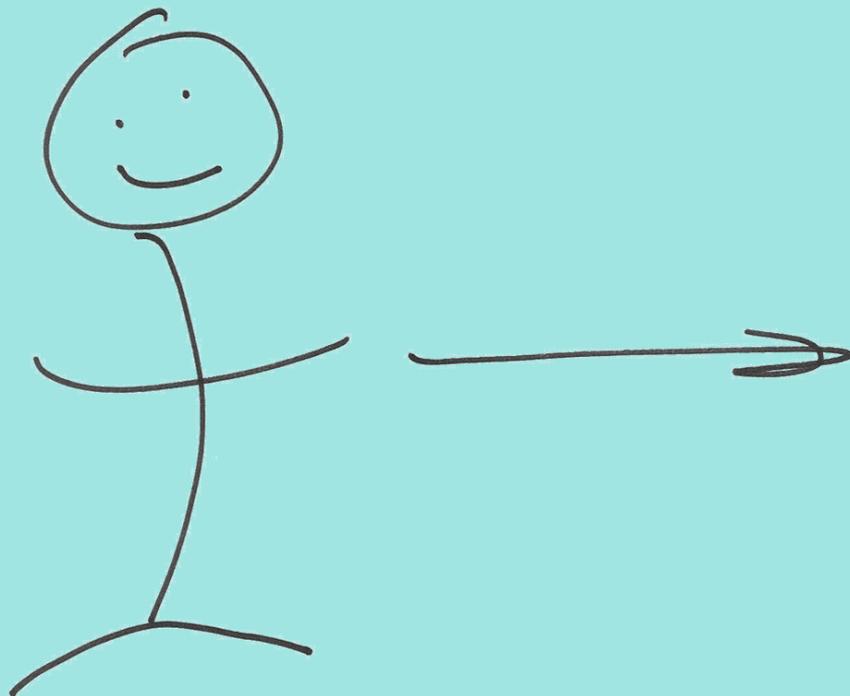
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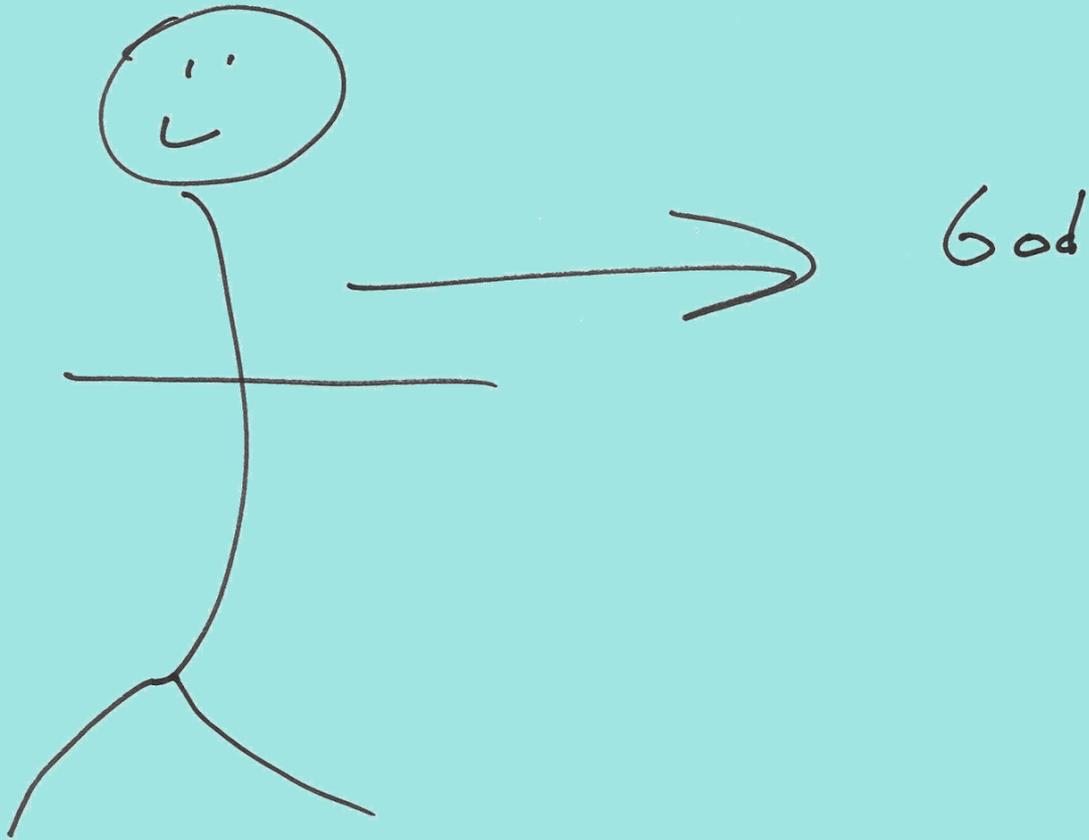
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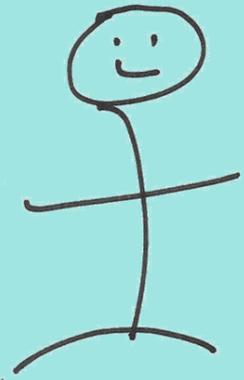


Our great challenge is to be objective enough to recognize our perspective is limited. To be objective enough to see God's perspective is bigger and better, the ultimate perspective.





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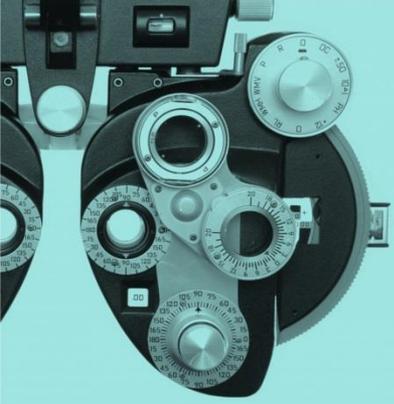


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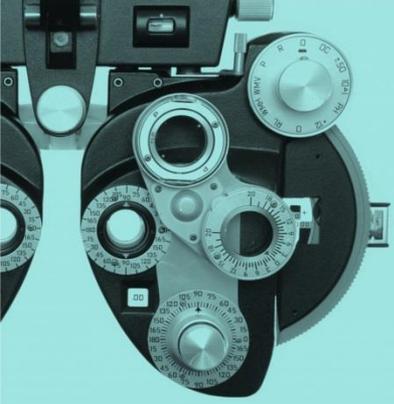


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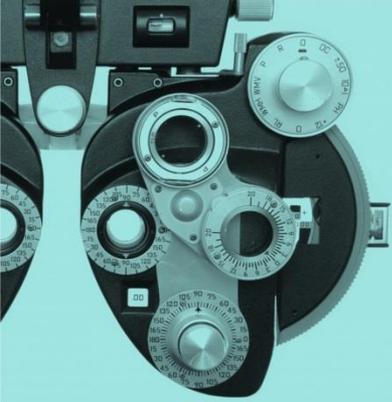


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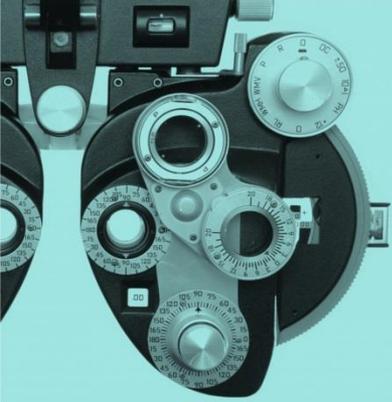
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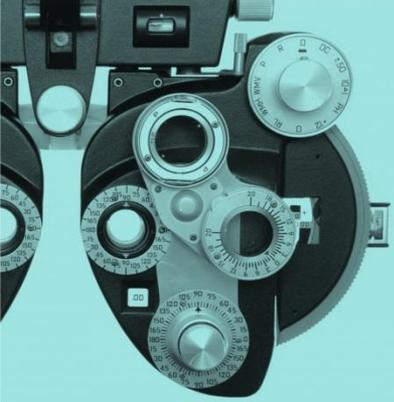
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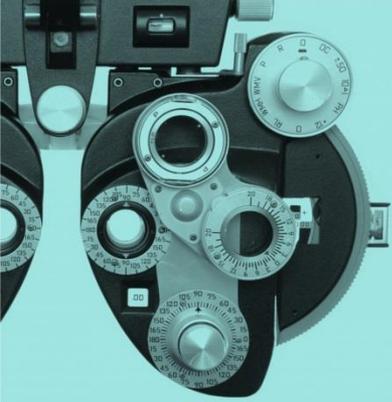


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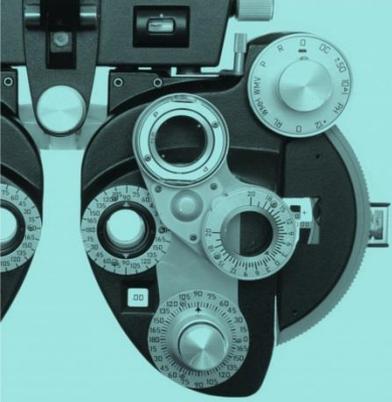


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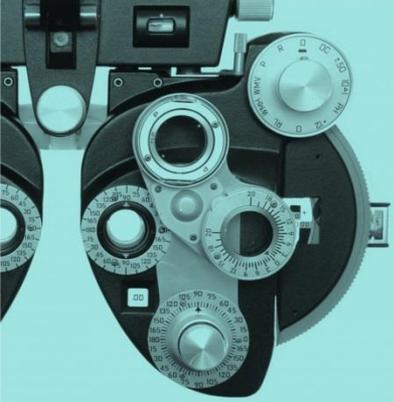
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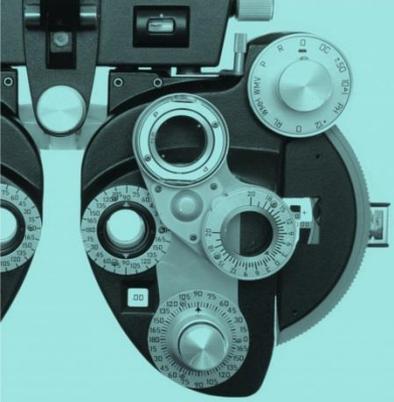
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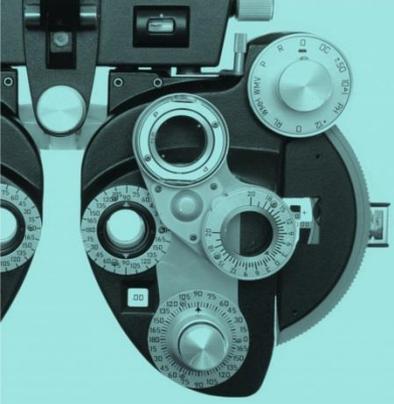
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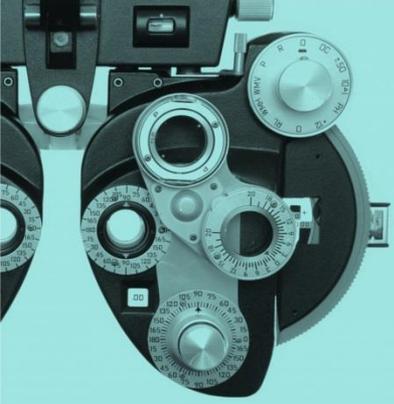


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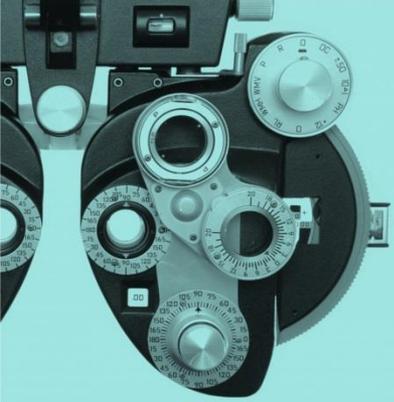
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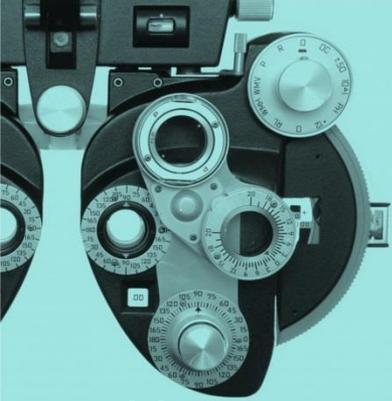


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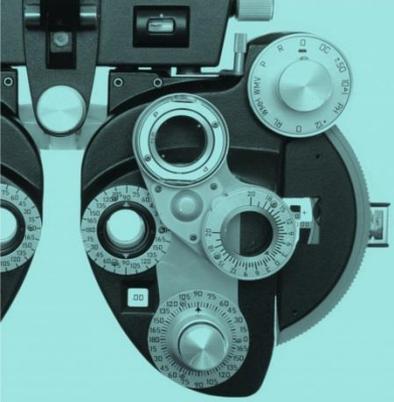
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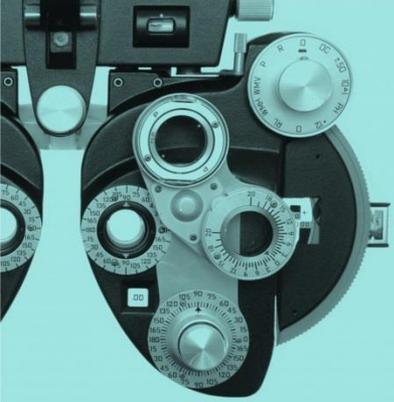
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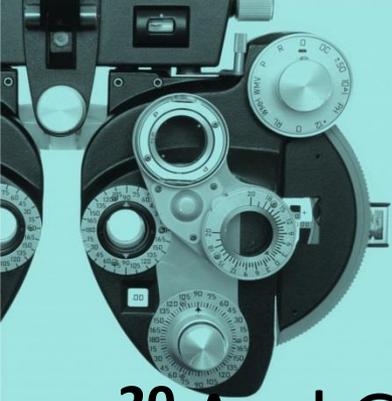
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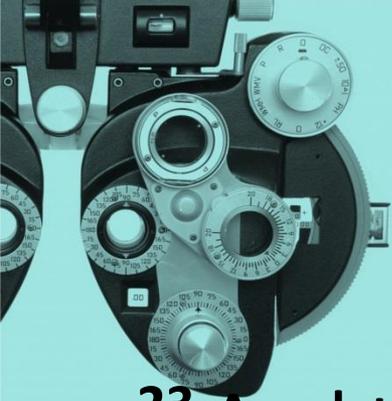
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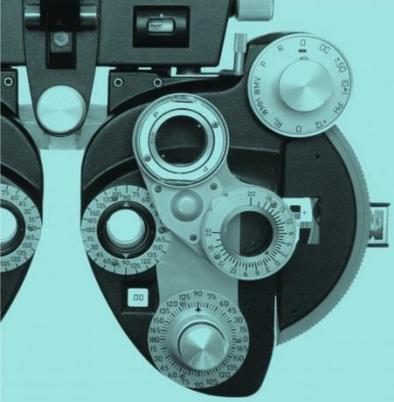
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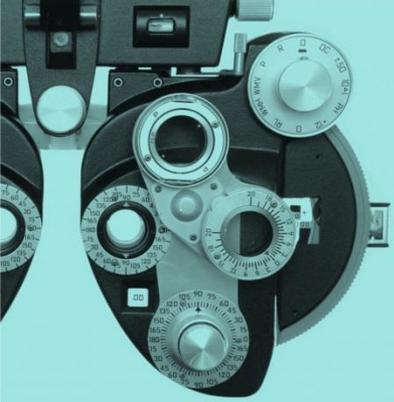
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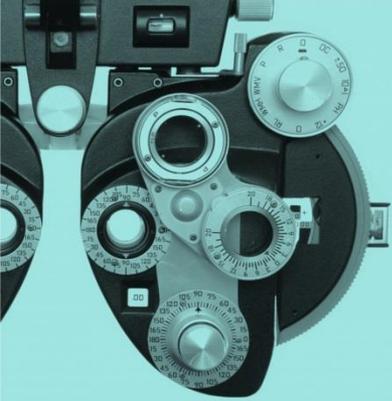
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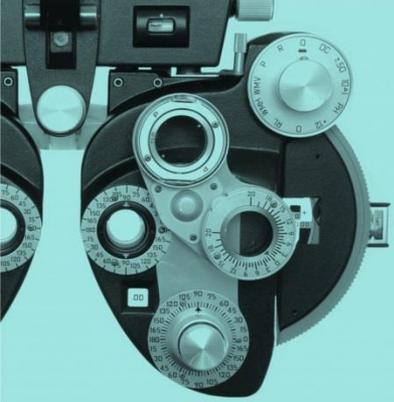
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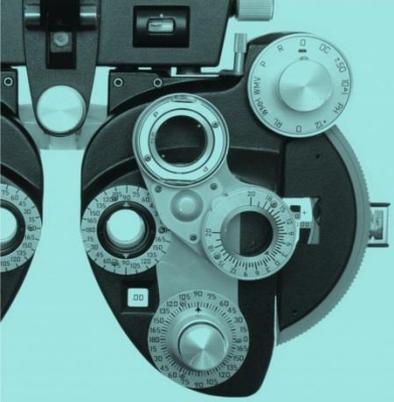
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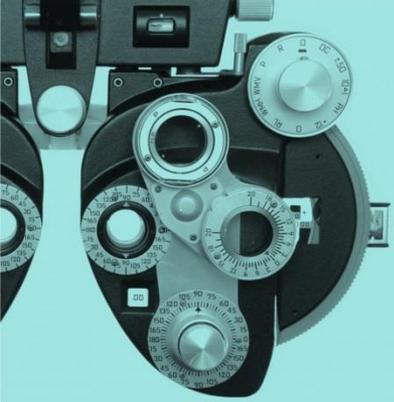
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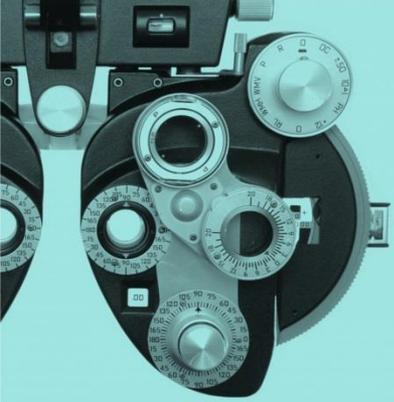


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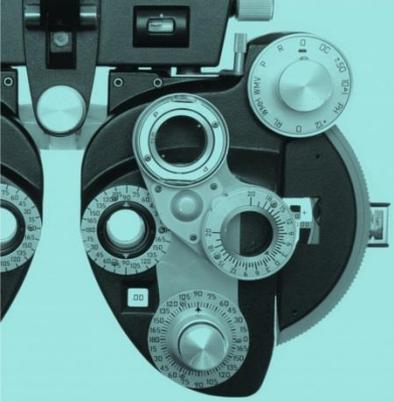
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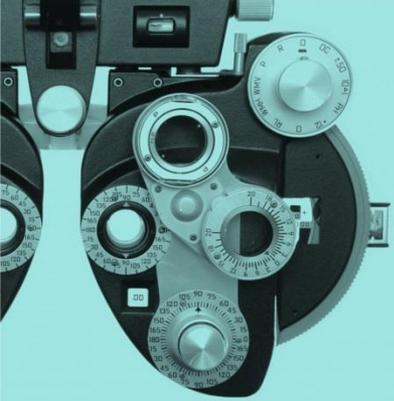
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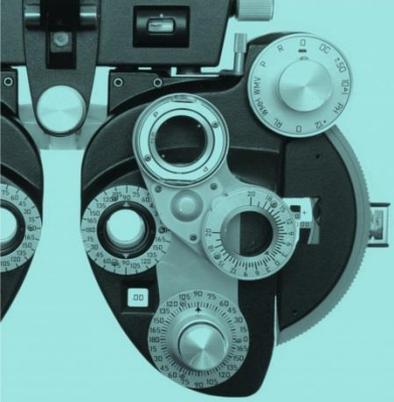
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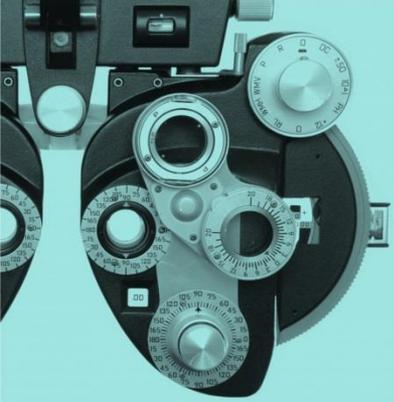
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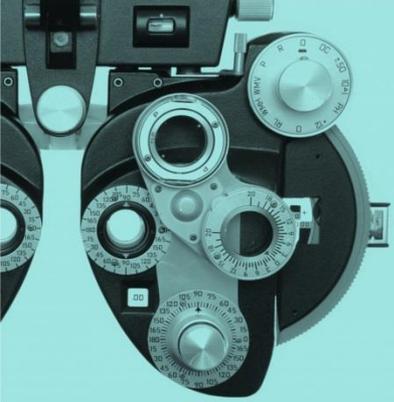
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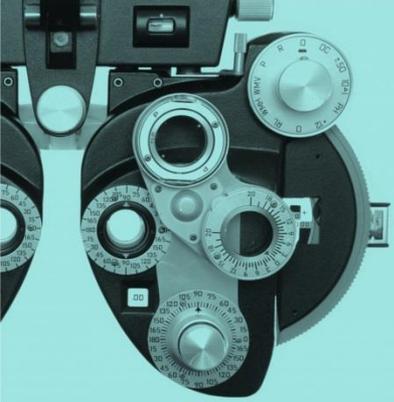
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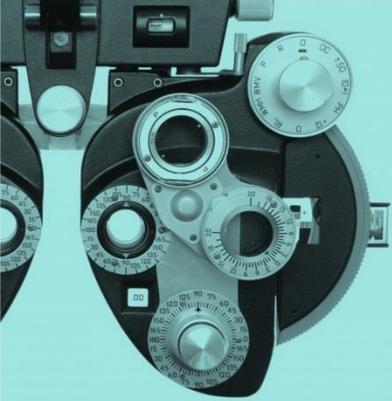
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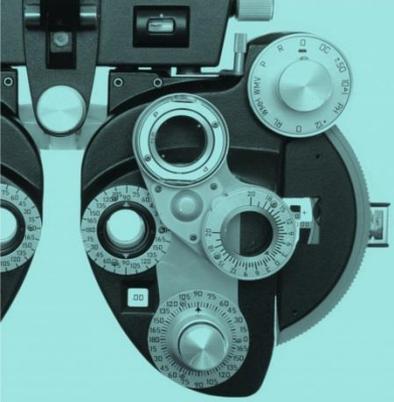
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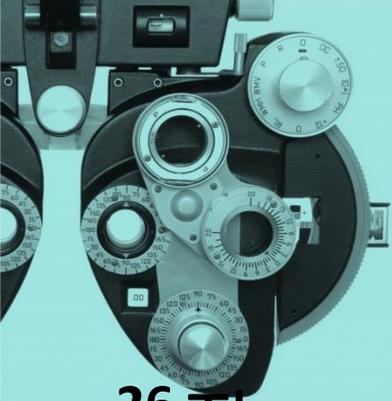
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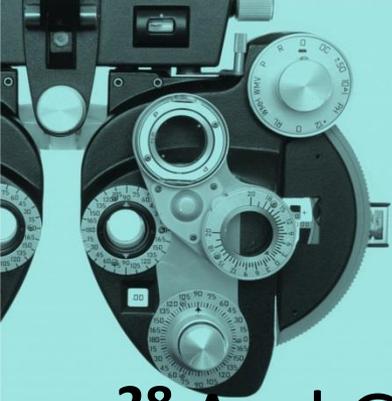
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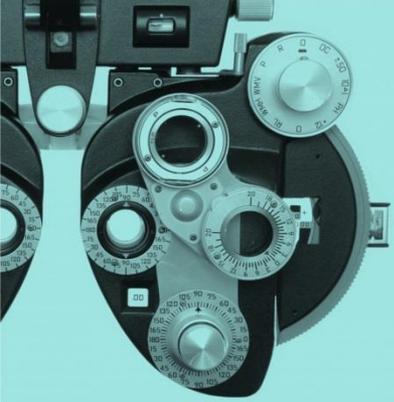
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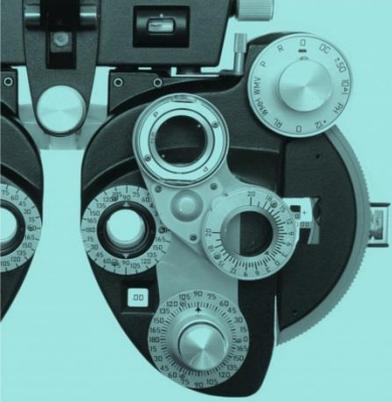
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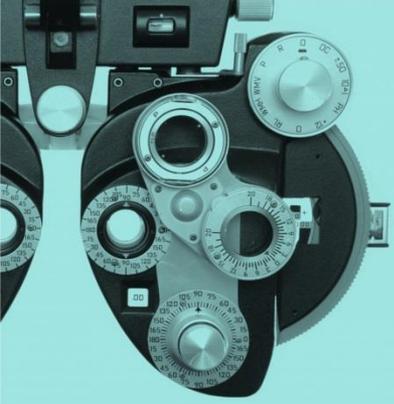
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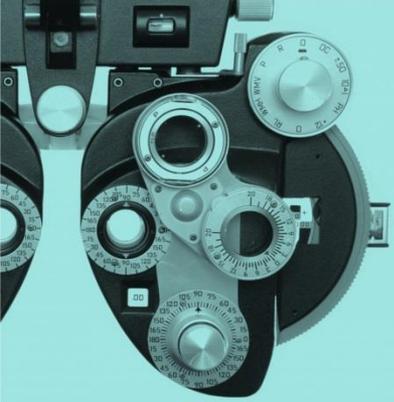


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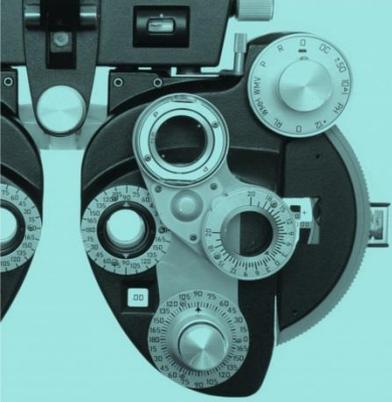


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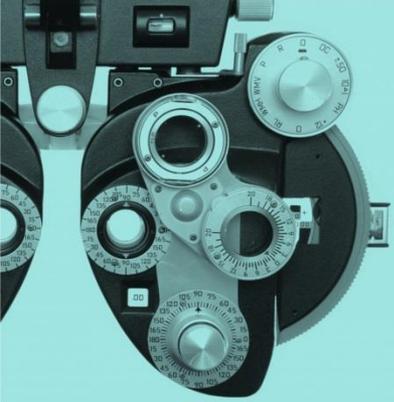
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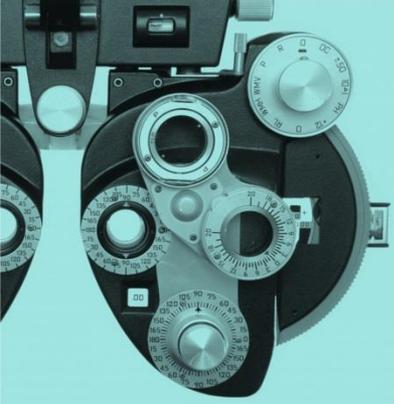


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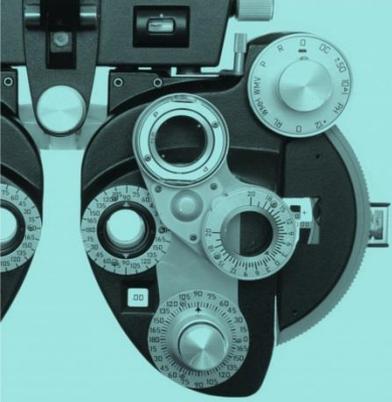
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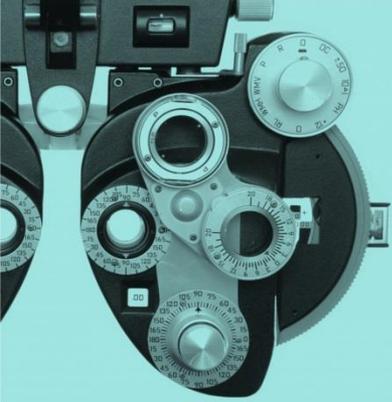
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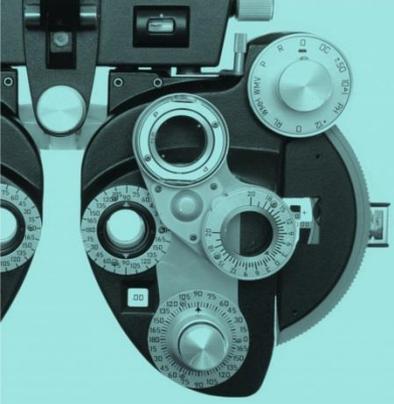
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Genesis 1:31

And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, **it was very good**. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.



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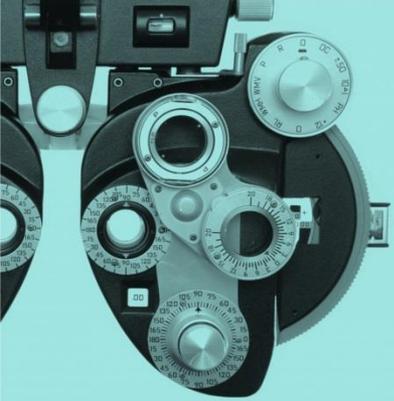
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