

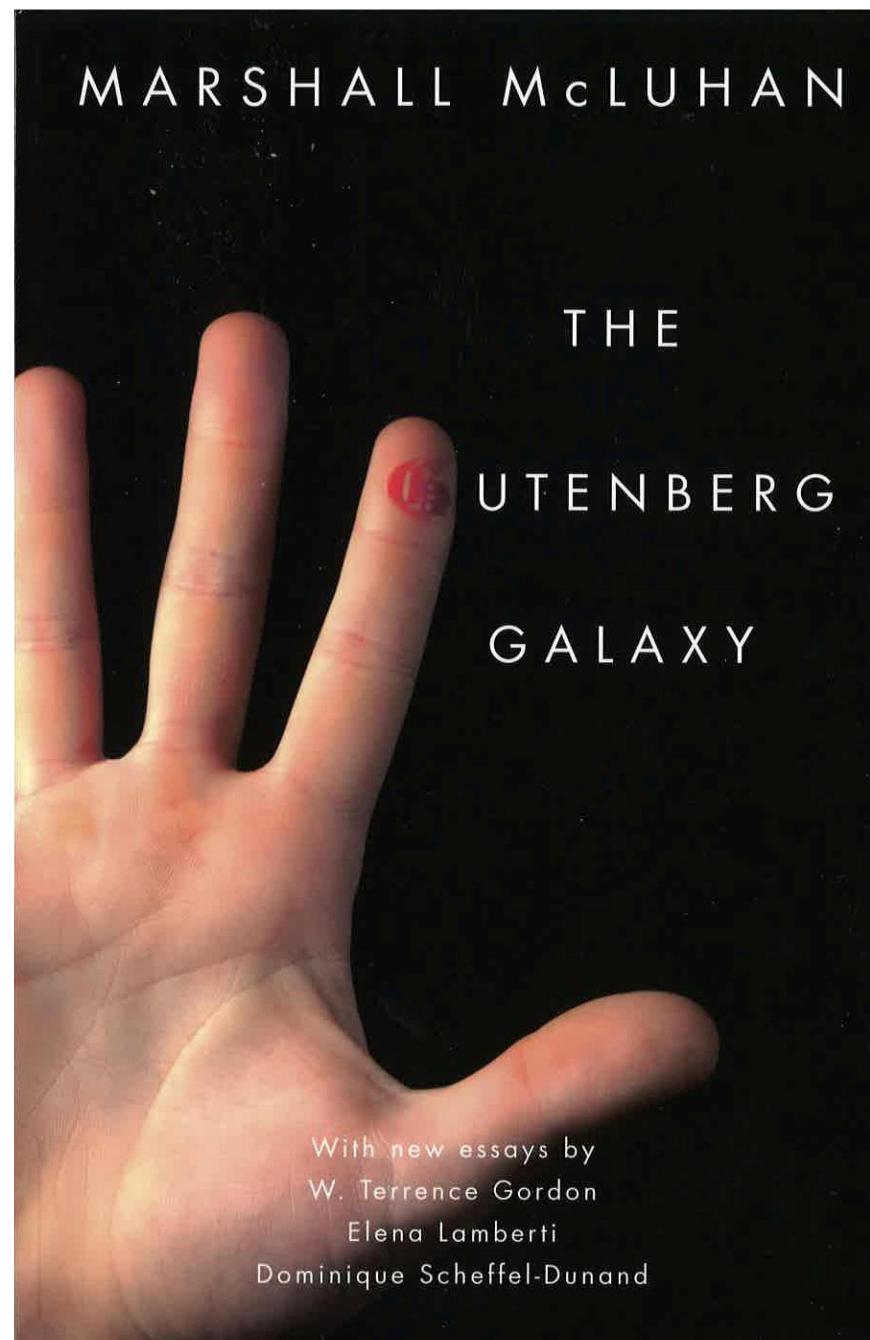
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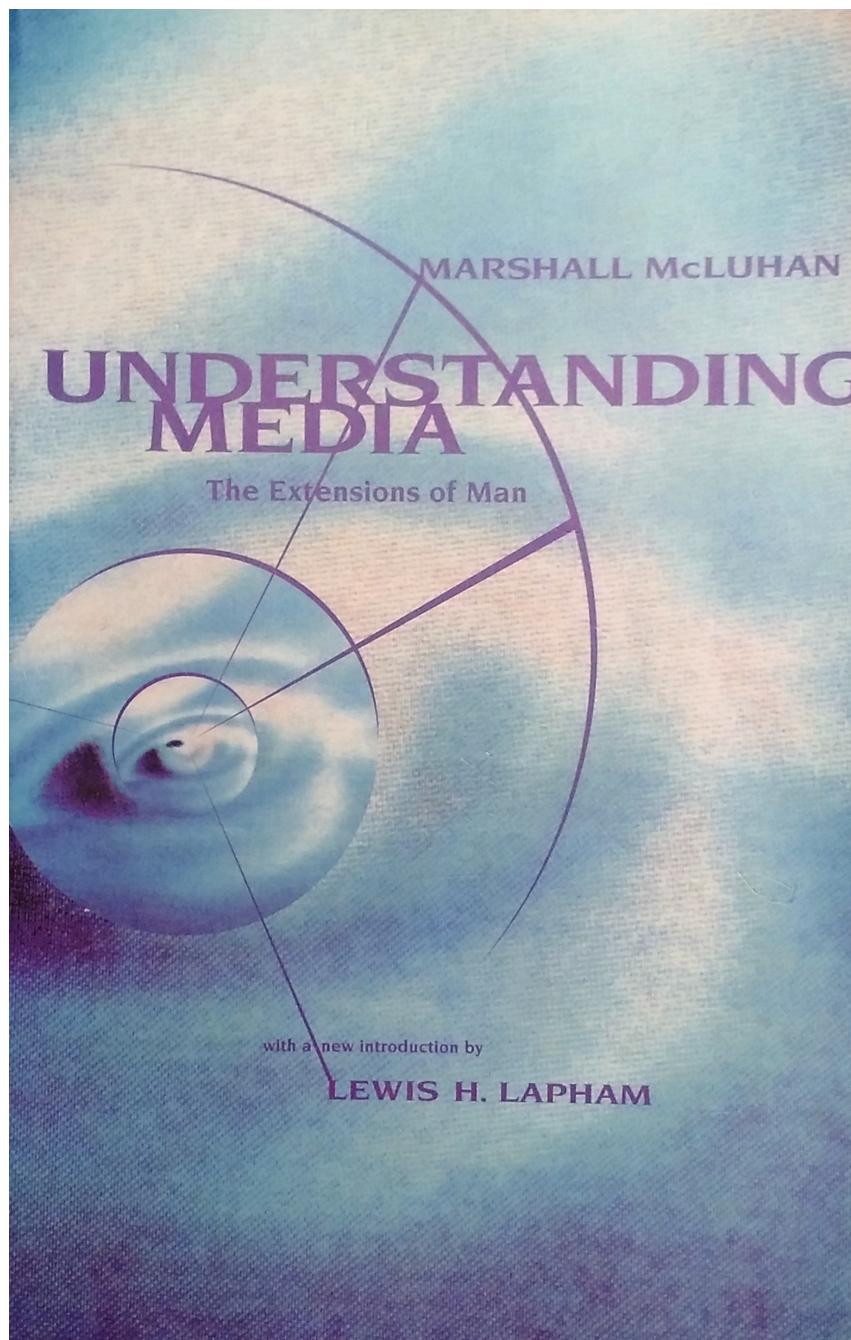
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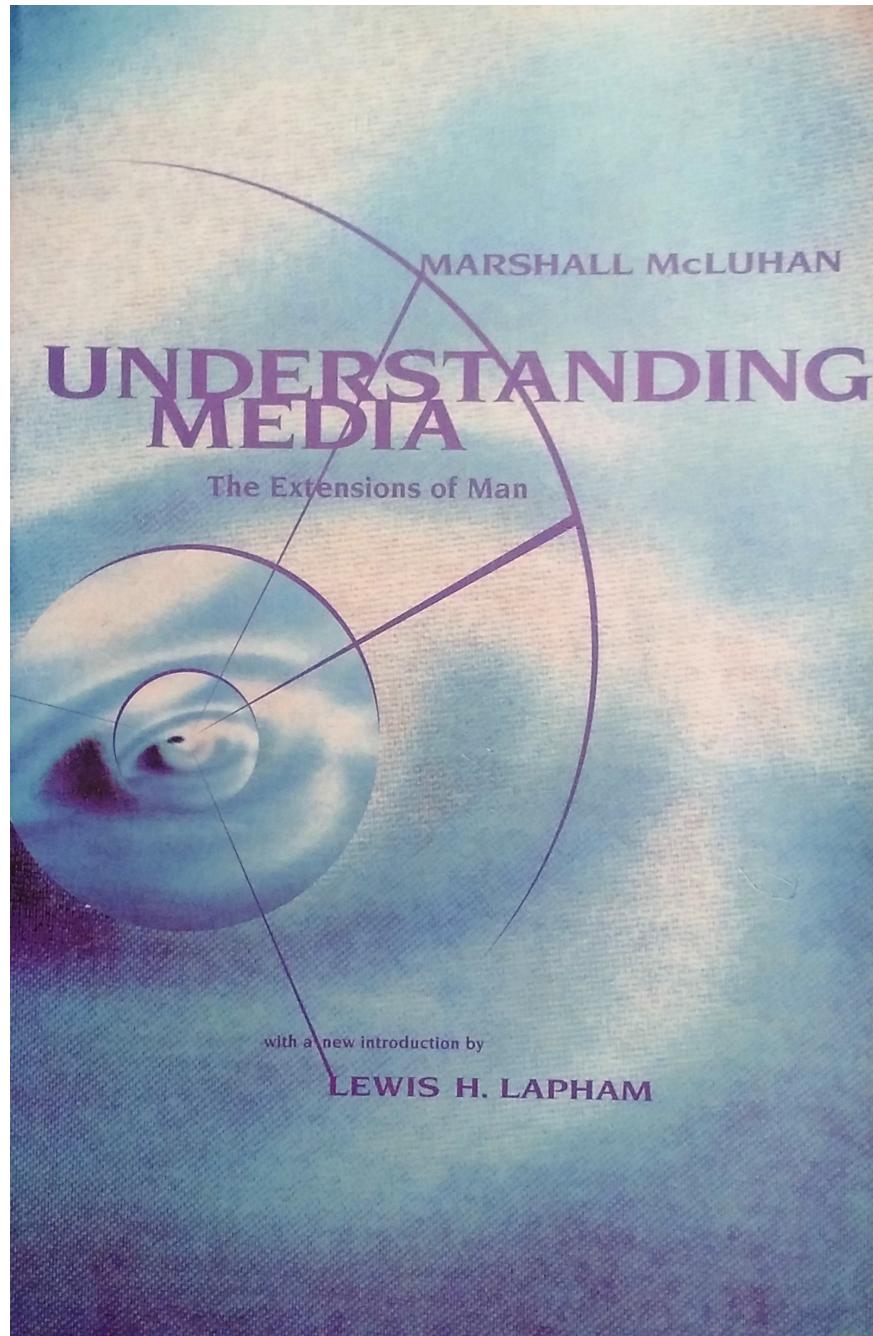


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# Mediality, materiality



The medium is the message

(Marshall McLuhan, *Understanding Media: The Extensions of Man*)

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The ‘message’ of any medium or technology is the change of scale or pace or pattern it introduces into human affairs

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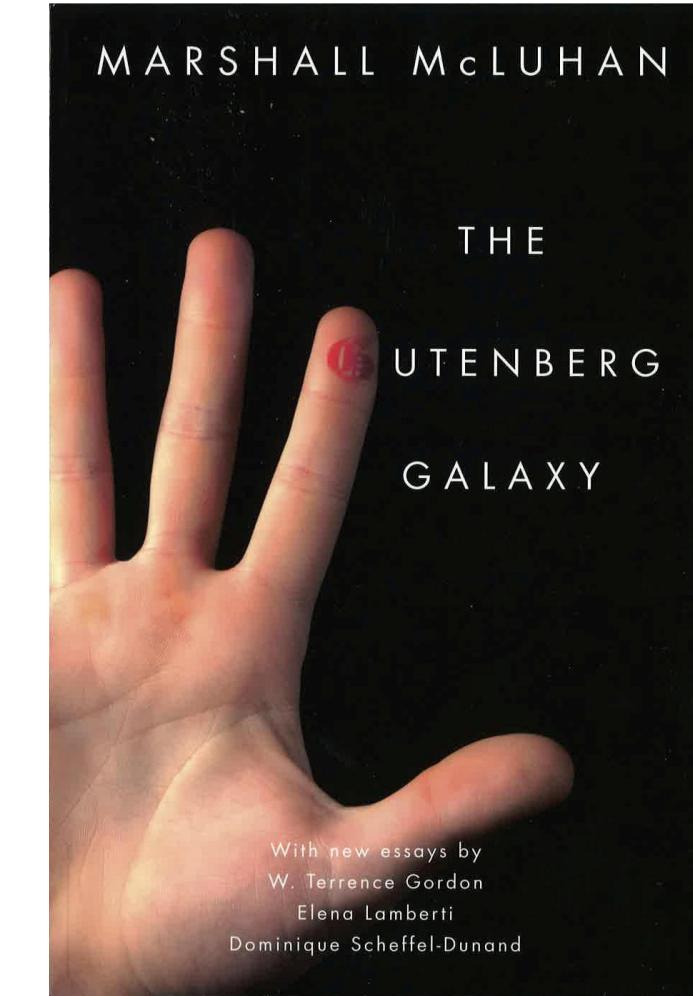
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We shape our tools, and thereafter  
our tools shape us

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