

# 1.

A speculum is a mirror for exploring body cavities, for looking behind teeth and down throats, into dark places. We speculate with what comes to hand: using mirrors, reflections, with our own and others' bodies.

# 2.

I want to make something: I don't know what it is I want to make, whether it could be, or will be, something, this time. At least it will have been something I thought of. And if something does get made, it won't be mine anymore, and it won't be what I wanted to make. But I will have wanted to make it, and it will be something.

# 3.

The future materials are here already. Material is something that was one thing and may become something else. But still material is matter, and between the protons and electrons, matter is mostly nothing. What happens to the nothing, to the gaps, to the spaces?

# 4.

Materials are matter. Future matter is past matter, is matter now. It may be hydrogen and helium again sometime.

# 5.

Words not deeds  
Weeds not dords

\*dord (dôrd) is a ghost word that found its way into Webster's Dictionary in 1934. Its definition was 'density'.

# 6.

a modern erosion