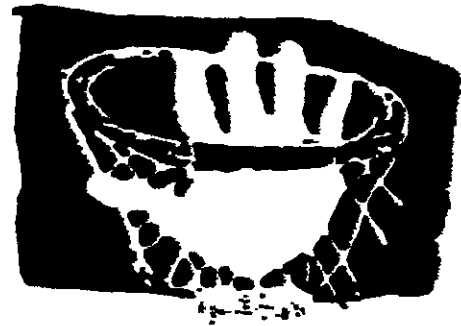


# WORD CHOICE

- Lively verbs
- Original and deliberate choices
- Special moments
- Visual
- Specific and precise

## CAN YOU SEE IT?

- The black asphalt was crumbling off at the sides, and the paint on the court was chipping and wearing out, proof that there wasn't a day this court didn't go unused. The hoops were almost opposite. One was older, bent, the backboard slightly cracked, and leaning a hair to the right...



- ... the sound of you mother's coveted Ray Charles record, scratched and skipping, snaking into every room.
- It is a mild summer night and there is a deluge of rain that makes the strawberry red track glisten, as the lights surrounding the track gleam upon it.
- Then I leapt. I flew straightforward with my arms outstretched, my glove facing up. When I was at the pinnacle of my flight, the ball dropped into the palm of my glove and I dropped like a sack of potatoes on a wet lawn.
- An uninterrupted carpet of snow lay before us.