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Out Of Our Heads (Alva Noe, 2009)

According to Noe, where are our “minds”? Our minds are in our brains. Why is this book called *Out Of Our Heads*? This book is called out of our heads because it is about consciousness, about the human mind, and the project of understanding it as belonging to our biological natures.

Noe quotes Merleau-Ponty, who argues that living creatures are “intinvolved in a definite environment.” Describe an instance of how you are (and have been) involved with your world.

Wow, this is an interesting question. I have been involved in the world in many aspects, from being a mother, a wife, a daughter, a sister, etc.... but most importantly, a helping hand to those in need. My world is not just about my immediate family. I am stretched both vertically and horizontally, a symbol of Christ to go and do as He instructs us to do to feed the poor, to assist the widow, and to take care of the orphans. My involvement is so vast and I am grateful for all that I have done to make a difference in the world.