

Knowledge and Reality  
**Perception**

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**Background Readings**

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**Questions:**

- (1) What to perceptual illusions tell us about the contents and nature of perception in standard non-illusionary cases?
- (2) What is direct realism? Is it defensible?
- (3) If S perceives O, is it necessary that O causally effects S?
- (4) What is disjunctivism? What problems is it indented to address? Does it address these problems successfully?