**Rhetorical Context**

Rhetorical context refers to the circumstances surrounding an act of reading and/or composition.  Rhetorical context includes:

* the author
* the author’s purpose for composing
* the topic
* the audience
* the occasion, or external motivation, for composing



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