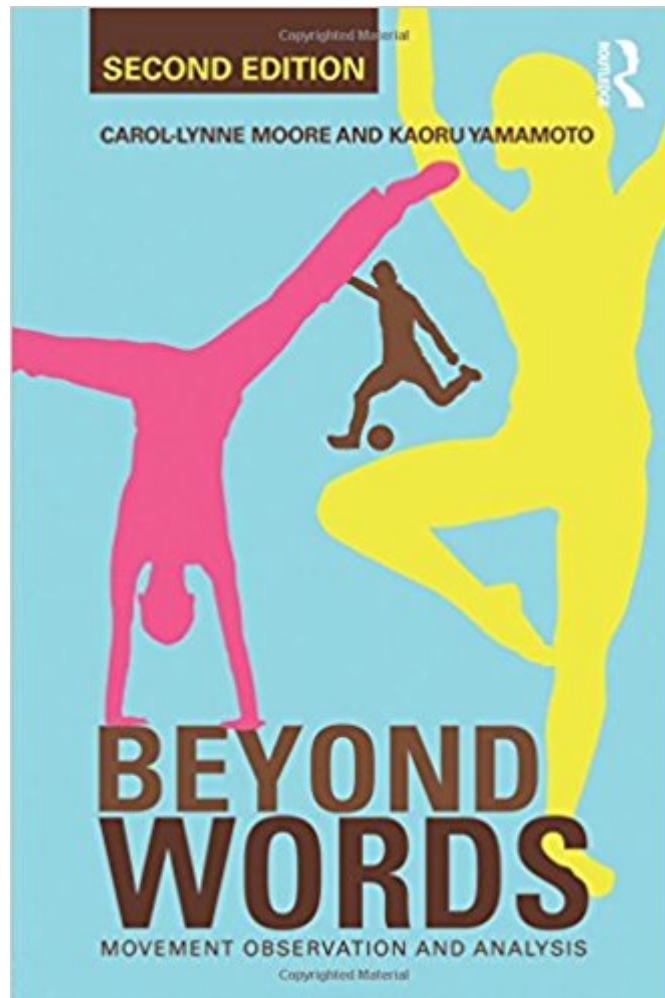




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Beyond Words presents a range of illuminating approaches to examining every day social interactions, to help the reader understand human movement in new ways. Carol-Lynne Moore and Kaoru Yamamoto build on the principles that they expertly explored in the first edition of the book, maintaining a focus on the processes of movement as opposed to discussions of static body language. The authors combine textual discussion with a new set of website-hosted video instructions to ensure that readers develop an in-depth understanding of nonverbal communication, as well as the work of its most influential analyst, Rudolf Laban. This fully-revised, extensively illustrated second edition includes a new introduction by the authors. It presents a fascinating insight into this vital field of study, and will be an invaluable resource for scholars and practitioners in many activities, from performing and martial arts, athletics, to therapeutic and spiritual practices, conflict resolution, business interactions, and intercultural relations.

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Carol-Lynne Moore has lectured extensively in the U.S. and Europe on Laban theory, including

Movement Pattern Analysis, an assessment of executive decision-making style developed from industrial and managerial movement studies. Her most recent publication is *The Harmonic Structure of Movement, Music and Dance According to Rudolf Laban* (Mellen Press, 2009). She is a founding member and current President of *Motus Humanus*, a professional organization for movement specialists in the U.S. She currently teaches at Columbia College, Chicago. Kaoru Yamamoto is Professor Emeritus at the University of Colorado and a Fellow of the American Psychological Association, having taught extensively in the U.S., Canada, Iceland, and China. He has edited scholarly journals on psychology and education, and published widely in both areas, including ten full-length works on human development, creativity, and cultural evolution.

I didn't get a chance to read the whole book - I needed a few chapters for class but the book is interesting. The book is also very pertinent to my field of study: Dance/Movement Therapy and Counseling. *Beyond Words* does shed light upon people's nonverbal communication which is something that tends to go overlooked in every day interactions.

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