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Both these casebooks probably have in mind readers who are doing courses on critical theory and on Joyce. Derek Attridge's collection leans towards deconstruction with well-known contributors, while Rainer Emig, leaning towards psychoanalysis, has generously looked for newer voices among the disparate choros of Joyceans. The predominant styles of both have a density which is by turns conceptually challenging and frustrating, especially in their disregard for substantiation. Despite the fact that they bring together two such diverse fields of textual practice, the overriding impression is that the concerns of theory, when put beside the range of *Ulysses*, are relatively narrow. There is hardly any historical work within them, nothing about Joyce's influences on other writers or other writers' influences on Joyce, little cultural materialism, just one textual study and no genetic studies. Nearly all the essays were published in the US during the 1990s. They offer a snapshot then of a time and place in critical history in which critical and cultural theory were firmly established. But like all snapshots it is partial—for that time also saw the emergence of historically inflected work which scarcely features in either.

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