Understanding Typography

A Language that is visible and visually understood An Abstract visual Pattern



Please identify the different parts of the letter by reading the vocabulary below and assigning it to the letters above:

serif: The finishing stroke at the end of a stem or other letter-stroke ascender: Stroke of any lowercase letter which extends above the x-height descender: Stroke of any lowercase letter wich extends below the x-height The height of lower case letters without ascenders or descenders x-height: The vertical stroke of a letter stem: bracket: The rounded junction of a serif with a stroke (variation in its shape affects the character of the letter) bowl: The curved part of certain letters The space enclosed or partly enclosed by a letter counter: The boldness or thickness of a letter weight: The angle of the thickest part of a bowl stress: