

Noam Chomsky

Letter by Fionn Elders

at Chomsky's 90th birthday

Qaroborum Qar Yashil? 2222
eight questions and perceptions

Dear Noam,

My first encounter with you in 1970 was also the first step
in a journey around the world to meet philosophers for a TV project
in which you participated with Michel Foucault.



What struck me most during the journey around the globe,
were the profound differences between cultures.
Each country had its own 'collective evidence' [\[1\]](#)

The sheer impossibility of mutual understanding triggered my imagination:
I wanted to discover 'how' we deal with the abyss between cultures.

Qaroborum Qar Yashil? circles through eight perceptions
with their intrinsic connections: from 1. unknown territories,
2. creative imagination, and 3. human condition