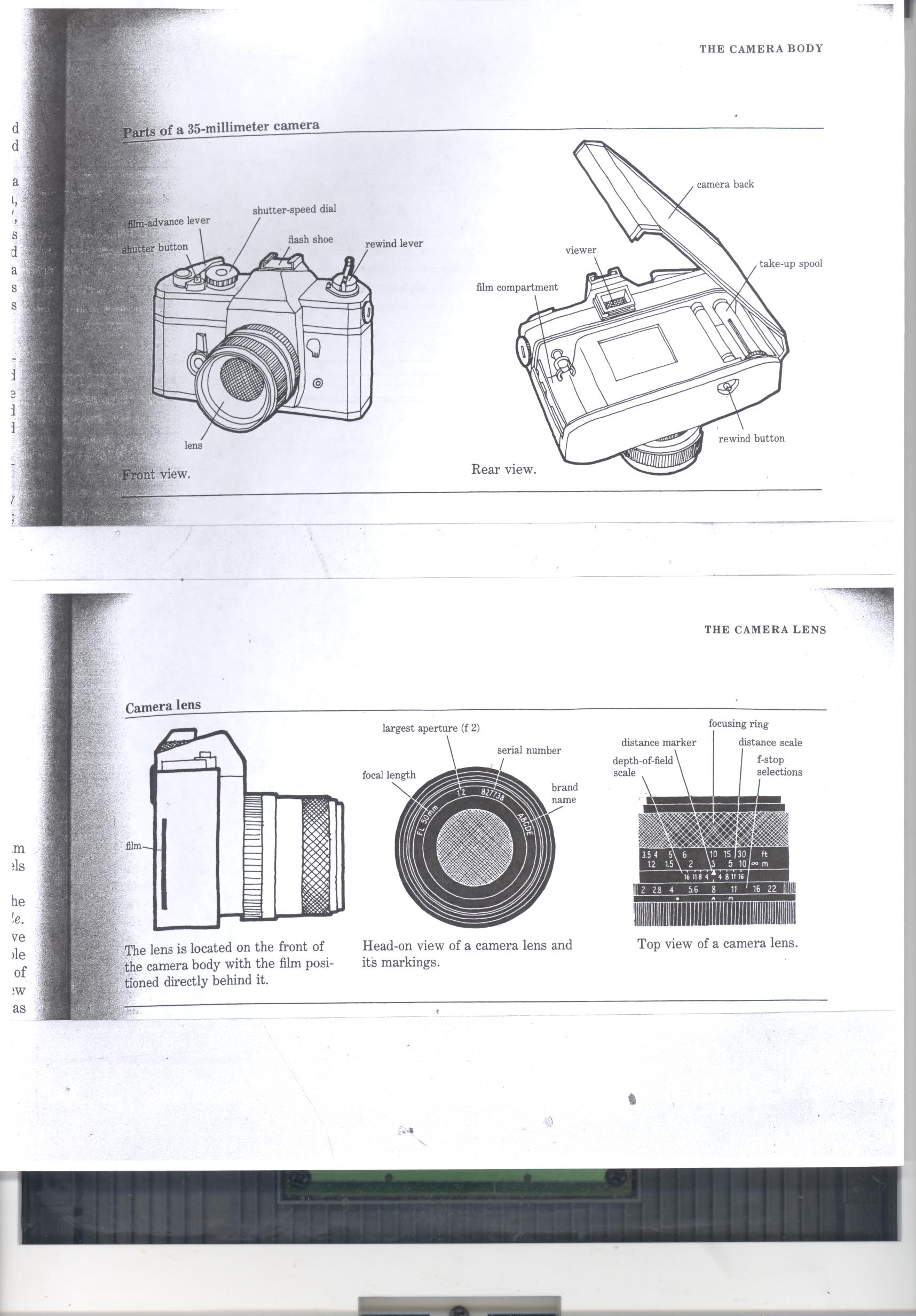
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**How to Load 35mm film into a 35mm Camera**

1. Open the back of your 35mm single-lens reflex (SLR) camera by lifting the top of the film rewind dial.

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1. Insert the 35mm film cassette into the left side of the camera back. Once inserted, push the film rewind dial down to lock the film canister into place.

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1. Pull a small amount of film from the cassette, across the camera back, and insert the film leader into a slot on the film take-up reel.

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1. When the film is in place of the take-up reel, advance the film using the film advance lever. If the film has started to wind around the take-up reel, close the back of your camera.

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1. With the camera back closed, release the shutter and continue advancing the film with the film advance lever until the indicator reads frame 1.

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