

Descriptive Paragraph 9

Objective: to write a 150-300 word *descriptive* paragraph.

Steps to write a descriptive paragraph

A. Copy this table onto a document. Have about 5 line spaces per row.

See	
Hear	
Taste	
Touch	
Smell	

Look at the image below. Fill in your table with descriptive words- be sure they are specific and strong.



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- B. What is the purpose of your paragraph? Is this a description of a person? A place? An experience? An event? **(some examples- “A broken region”, “hope”, “anger”, “organized destruction”, “mourning”.)**

My Purpose:

- C. Now write a first draft of your paragraph keeping your purpose in mind. Don't worry about spelling, grammar, etc. Just write! **(Assignment is 150-300 words.)**

D. **Revise, revise, revise. Do you have:**

- a. A topic sentence?
- b. Is your purpose obvious?
- c. Do you have a strong conclusion?
- d. Do you use strong, specific words instead of vague words?

Can you:

- a. Play with your sentences? (change it up! Eg. *The cat loves to sit in the sun and purr.* OR *Sitting in the sun, the cat stretched, then purred contently.*)
 - b. Improve your vocabulary with stronger words?
 - c. Insert some humour? A poetic device like a simile or metaphor? An attitude?
- E. Formatting- name, title and date on the top of the document. Underline the title.

Due Thursday, September 2nd. Please put in the hand-in box on my Sharepoint site OR print out your paragraph and give to me personally.