

## **Ingredients to a well-written descriptive essay!**

- 1) SHOWS not just TELL.
- 2) Appeal to all SENSES - sight, touch, smell, hear, taste
- 3) Able to create mental images in the reader's mind - Paint a picture in your reader's mind as they read.
- 4) Exciting and intriguing - Capture reader's interest and attention to read on without stopping!
- 5) Emotions + Adjectives + Verbs = Effective Descriptions!
- 6) Visual description to bring out the features of the subject being described.
- 7) Compare the subject in the essay to something else to SHOW the readers what it is like.
- 8) Throw in some metaphors or similes to add to the vividness. However, don't overdo it!
- 9) Organize your thoughts and paragraph - start from a general description before narrowing down to the specific description!

**LET YOUR IMAGINATION GO AWAY AND BRING LIFE TO YOUR DESCRIPTIVE ESSAY WITH THESE INGREDIENTS IN MIND!**