

## Descriptive Essay

What do you want to describe?

1. a person; 2. a place; 3. a moment; 4. an experience; 5. an object

1-color	2-name	3-type of memory	4-type of experience	5-color
height	location	happy event or unhappy event	time and location	type
beauty	city/country/etc	personal	event (good or bad)	movement
classroom environment	Buildings and houses,transport roads,air,large,open	collective	thought or idea experience	

As you write your descriptive essays, the best way to create a vivid experience for your readers is to focus on the five senses.

Sight; smell; sound; taste; touch

You should **show** not **tell**

Example: I felt that after dinner, I was very full but not happy.

As I lay on the bed, I felt a strong need to get into a deep sleep and I couldn't sleep for ages.

Planning your descriptive essay

What do you want to describe?

What is your reason for writing your description?

What are the particular qualities that you want to focus on?

For example, you want to describe a wedding ceremony you attended.

How can I talk about

• **Place:** was it held in the city or the countryside?

• **Activities:** what were involved?

• **Beliefs:** friends, personalities if there are any, etc.

• **The bride and the groom.**