

Lesson 27: You will be Able to Write Sentences Using Sensory Words in a Descriptive Essay

Purpose of Lesson 27: You will be able to write sentences using sensory words in a descriptive essay.

Skills: Creative thinking, reading comprehension, vocabulary, and writing.

Directions: Read the conversation below and do the exercises that follow.

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Ms. Shine is putting my story in the school literary magazine. I enjoyed learning how to write using sensory words.

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I need help writing about my favorite food. What are sensory words?



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They can be nouns, verbs, adjectives or adverbs that appeal to the five senses: sight, touch, hearing, taste, and smell. I'll help you.

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Okay. My favorite food is pizza. Now what?



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Close your eyes and concentrate. Then complete these thoughts. I'll write them down.

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Let's do it!



SMELL

Pizza smells like a restaurant.

It makes my mouth water.

It reminds me of my birthday parties.

SIGHT

Pizza looks like a giant Frisbee.

It reminds me of a paper airplane.

Its colors are red, white, and green.

TASTE

Pizza tastes spicy, hot, chewy and crusty.

It makes me hungry for more.

It reminds me of freshly baked bread.

HEARING

Pizza sounds like cereal.

When I cut it, it cracks and oozes.

When I eat it, it explodes in my mouth.

It reminds me of spicy cotton candy.

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TOUCH

Pizza feels like cardboard with sprinkles.

When I chew it, the cheese burns the roof of my mouth.

When I touch it, the oil drips all over my fingers.

When I swallow it, sometimes it gets stuck in my throat.



Dora showed Omar how to start writing with descriptions that appeal to the five senses.

- Sensory words can be nouns, adjectives or verbs.
- They are a key part of descriptive writing.
- Turning these ideas into sentences gives the reader a clear, detailed picture of what is taking place.

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Now all you have to do is organize your ideas for your rough draft. Was it easier than you thought it would be?

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Yes it was! Thanks, Dora. I can't believe how many ideas came out of this little exercise. I think I can write my story in no time at all.

