

Year 7 Unit 1 Overview: Descriptive Writing

Completion date: October 2021

Target grade for tests:

You will learn how to:

- create an effective piece of descriptive writing
- use appropriate vocabulary and devices
- vary sentences for effect
- paragraph for effect
- use punctuation accurately

An expert in English is:

Inquisitive and perceptive, an appreciative reader, who enjoys reading and responding analytically to a wide range of texts.

Confident and creative, a compelling writer, able to adapt their style to suit a range of audiences, forms and purposes.

Engaging and thoughtful, a fluent communicator, confident to articulate their own opinions and responds to others with

<p>Unit Overview During this unit, you will focus on developing the following skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • using language devices to sustain the interest of readers • selecting powerful word choices to enhance descriptions • using paragraphs to structure writing logically and coherently • using a range of simple, compound and complex sentences securely for specific effects • spelling complex and irregular words accurately • using a range of advanced punctuation accurately • writing extended texts to describe 	<p>Yellow Key Words: Subject terminology: simile: comparison of one thing with another using 'like' or 'as' metaphor: comparison of one thing with another, without the use of like or as alliteration: same letter or sound at the beginning of closely connected words personification: human characteristics attributed to something non-human adjective: a word that describes a non adverb: a word that describes a verb or adjective verb: an action or doing word noun: the name of a person, place or thing simple sentence: a sentence with a subject and one verb compound sentence: a sentence with two main clauses linked with a connective complex sentence: a sentence with a main clause and a subordinate clause, joined with a connective</p>		
<p>Cross Curricular:</p> <p>SMSC: Understand and appreciate the wide range of cultural influences that make you who you are.</p> <p>Literacy: descriptive writing. Re-drafting and proof-reading.</p> <p>Numeracy: using diagrams to plan writing.</p>	<p>Purple Words:</p> <p>ominous cacophonous mellifluous belligerent charismatic ephemeral melancholic industrious homogenous broad</p>	<p>Ambitious Vocab</p> <p>prominent acrid delectable colossal imploring traverse airless pungent unassuming ornate</p>	<p>insufferable demeanour abhorrent ecstatic wretched tenacious superficial oblivious dilapidated benevolent</p>
<p>Suggested reading or support available: www.pobble365.com This website has sentence practice activities and images to practice descriptive writing with.</p> <p>iPad opportunities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pic Collage (Visualising your story) SimpleMind (Mind mapping tool) 			