

Narrative Writing: Add Sensory Details

Sensory details are words that evoke the reader's **five senses** to interest the reader and provide precise details. Try a new approach to your writing by adding sensory details to convey experiences and events precisely.

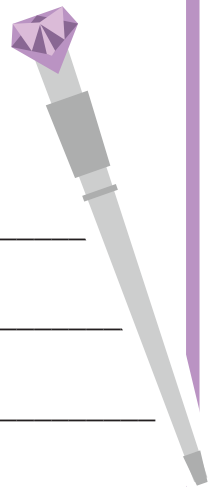
Simple, straight-forward writing:

Henry looked up and saw a phoenix. He was shocked.

Precise, descriptive writing:

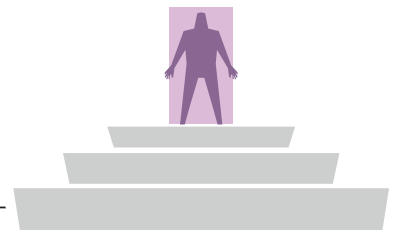
Henry **glanced** up to see a **flaming, red-orange** phoenix **hovering** in the air. He stood **frozen** in place, **stunned** and unsure.

Directions: Read the sentences. Rewrite the sentences by adding sensory details.



1. Antonio took the scepter and put it into his pocket. He left the room.

2. Farah walked up the stairs. She saw the intruder.



Revise your writing!

Review a recent piece of your mystery or suspense writing. Add sensory details to some of the scenes. Use some of the descriptive words from this page as inspiration.