



## Sensory and Emotional Words in Literature

### Today's Standard

1.RL.4 - Identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses.

Cues	Notes
What are sensory words?	Sensory words are words that describe how things look, sound, feel, taste, or smell.
How do words suggest feelings?	
Examples of sensory words	Words can suggest feelings by describing how characters feel or by creating a mood in the story.
Common misconceptions	Examples: 'whisper', 'fragrance', 'crunchy', 'bright', 'bitter'.
Subsequent skills	Misconception: Only adjectives are sensory words. Reality: Verbs and nouns can be sensory too.  After mastering sensory words, students will analyze complex texts and use sensory language in writing.

### Summary

Understanding sensory words helps students identify how language evokes emotions and creates imagery. This skill is foundational for deeper literary analysis and enhances creative writing.