

Parent Guide to the

# **Descriptive Writing Techniques**

## Today's Standard

4.W.3d - Use concrete words and phrases and sensory details to convey experiences and events precisely.

### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a detailed story about a memorable event; Creating a descriptive paragraph about a favorite place; Composing a sensory-rich poem; Describing a character in a narrative; Writing a vivid scene in a personal narrative

### Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to use specific words and details to make our writing more interesting and clear. This helps us tell better stories and describe things more vividly.

### **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Sometimes, kids think that using lots of adjectives makes their writing better, but it's more important to choose the right words. Also, sensory details aren't just about what we see, hear, or smell. They can include how we feel too.

### Quiz Me

- What is a concrete word?
- Can you name a sensory detail?
- Why is it important to use specific words?
- What can sensory details help describe?
- How can you make your writing more interesting?

#### Help Me

When we write, we can make our stories better by using specific words and details. For example, instead of saying 'the cake was good,' we can say 'the cake was delicious, with creamy frosting and a sweet, moist texture.' This helps others understand and imagine our stories better.