

# **Descriptive Writing Techniques**

## Today's Standard

8.W.3d - Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.

#### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing vivid narratives; Creating engaging short stories; Crafting detailed personal essays; Enhancing dialogue in scripts; Developing immersive settings in fiction

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to use precise words and sensory details to make our writing more interesting and vivid.

## **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Sometimes, kids think that using lots of adjectives makes their writing better, but it can actually make it too crowded. Also, they might only use details about what things look like, forgetting other senses like smell or sound.

## Quiz Me

- What are precise words?
- Why do we use sensory details?
- Can you name the five senses?
- How can we make our writing more interesting?
- What happens if we use too many adjectives?

# Help Me

When we write, using words that are very clear and details that use our senses helps make our stories come alive. For example, instead of just saying 'the cake was good,' we can say 'the cake was sweet, smelled like vanilla, and was soft and fluffy.' This makes the reader feel like they are really there.