

SHOW, DON'T TELL

Descriptive Narrative Writing

YOU'LL GET . . .

- 9 mini-stories
- 8 story detail sentences per mini story
- 9 story signs
- 1 story detail mat
- 1 page of blank story detail cards
- Sensory Detail Cards
- Sensory Details Poster
- Sensory Details Bookmarks

9 MINI-STORIES WITH SENSORY DETAILS

Dark clouds loomed on the horizon.

A bolt of lightning lit the sky, followed by a loud clap of thunder.

Wind howled through the trees.

I jumped at the sound, nervous about making it home without getting drenched.



A STORM IS COMING



The earthy scent of wet dirt filled the air.

I gripped my umbrella tighter.

Fog rolled in.

**USE THE STORY
DETAILS MAP TO ID
WHICH DETAILS ARE
STILL MISSING**

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Fog rolled in.		Wind howled through the trees.		The earthy scent of wet dirt filled the air.
Dark clouds loomed on the horizon.	SEE	HEAR	SMELL	
		STORY DETAILS MAT WHAT STORY DETAILS ARE STILL MISSING AND NEED TO BE ADDED?		
	TASTE		TOUCH	I gripped my umbrella tighter.
	CHARACTER THOUGHTS	EMOTIONS	DIALOGUE	
		I jumped at the sound, nervous about making it home without getting drenched.		

USE SENSORY DETAIL CARDS, BOOKMARKS, AND POSTER AS VISUAL REMINDERS WHEN READING AND WRITING

Tell me a great STORY

The best storytellers include a lot of details to help the reader visualize the story. While you write your story, think about adding the sensory details, dialogue, and emotions. What does your character ...

 See

 Hear

 Touch

 Think

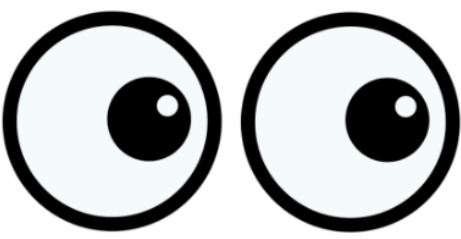
 Smell

 Taste

 Go

 Say

 Feel

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 CHARACTER THOUGHTS	 EMOTIONS	 "DIALOGUE"

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 Go

 Say

 Feel
(emotions)

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SENSORY DETAILS



crispy



flickering



embarrassment



Sweet!



freshly baked bread



train whistle



drenched