

Write a powerful description using imagery.



"The crystal blue sea reflects the powerful sun like a mirror. Rushing into the sand, the waves are thunder. The sand is soft, golden, and warm to the touch. A light breeze gently flows through the pure air. Have your eyes ever seen such a place? Strong palm trees give comforting shade for those who need it. Paradise. Delicious coconuts invite people to eat as they fall loudly onto the ground".

Now use your Writing Notebook and create your own descriptive essay with at least THREE paragraphs (introduction – main body – conclusion). You could cut out photos of other landscapes and write about them or use the existing image.

I can't wait to read your essays!

Have fun!!!

#### Success Criteria

- ☐ I can use powerful adjectives / adverbs
- ☐ I can use similes and metaphors.
- ☐ I can use a range of punctuation
- ☐ I can use the 5 senses

## Paragraph 1 – Introduction (Set the Scene)

Describe where you are and your first impression.

Students should answer:

Where is this place?

What do I see first?

How does it make me feel?

Model starters:

As I stepped onto...

In front of me stretched...

The first thing I noticed was...

Example:

As I stepped onto the warm beach, I saw endless turquoise water shining under the bright sun.



## Paragraph 2 – Main Body (5 Senses + Details)



Describe the place using all five senses.

Encourage:

• Sight | • Sound | • Smell | • Touch | • Taste

Students should describe:

Sea / land / sky

Weather

Plants / animals

Sounds and smells

Sentence frames:

I could see...

I could hear...

The air smelled like...

It felt...

It tasted...

Example:

The gentle waves whispered against the shore while the salty air filled my lungs.

## Paragraph 3 – Conclusion (Feelings + Ending)

Say how the place made you feel and finish powerfully.

Students should answer:

Why is this place special?

Would I like to return?

How do I feel now?

Starters:

I will never forget...

This place made me feel...

In my heart, I knew...

Example:

I will never forget this magical place that filled me with peace and happiness.



# Strong Adjectives for Descriptive Writing

## Sea & Water

crystal-clear  
sparkling  
turquoise  
shimmering  
endless  
peaceful  
stormy

## Sky & Weather

blazing  
golden  
cloudless  
misty  
glowing  
radiant  
fiery

## Sand & Land

silky  
golden  
powdery  
smooth  
burning-hot  
soft  
warm

## Nature & Plants

towering  
lush  
leafy  
tropical  
graceful  
vibrant  
colourful

## Feelings

peaceful  
amazed  
relaxed  
joyful  
calm  
excited  
grateful

## Powerful Adverbs

gently  
softly  
slowly  
peacefully  
proudly  
silently  
happily  
magically

## Similes

as...as / like...

Examples:

as blue as the sky  
like a mirror  
like silver glass  
as soft as cotton  
like a painting

## Student Checklist (Success Criteria)

- ✓ 3 paragraphs
- ✓ Strong adjectives
- ✓ 5 senses
- ✓ At least 1 simile
- ✓ Capital letters & full stops
- ✓ Interesting vocabulary

