ELABORATION

When you elaborate, you give more information. Elaborating makes your writing so much better!

a house

a creepy house

You can elaborate by adding:

- adjectives (tiny, angry, miserable, colorful)
- more precise words (shouted rather than said, sprinted rather than went)
- dialogue (have your characters talk to each other)
- information about when, where, or how something happened

Look at the two sentences. How did I elaborate?

I saw a dog.	I saw a dirty dog.	
The package arrived.	The package arrived this morning.	
"I can't," she said.	"I can't," she whispered.	
Jannah felt sick so the teacher sent her home.	"Mrs. Brown, I feel sick." "Oh dear, Jannah. Do you feel like you need to go home? I will call your mother to see if she can pick you up."	
She's happy.	She's over the moon.	
We played frisbee.	We played frisbee by the swings.	
We stood outside.	We stood shivering outside.	
My mom bought me a new pen.	My mom bought me a new, sparkly pen.	

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