

O'level

Foundation

Set 5

The Write Tribe

DESCRIPTIVE

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What is needed in a descriptive essay?

1 *Use your five senses to describe*

2 *Use present tense to describe*

3 *You may include personal experiences (change to past tense)*

4 *One paragraph, one point*

5 *Don't forget the explanation part of the question*

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3. DESCRIPTIVE:

Describe a teacher you admire?

The society holds teachers in high admiration, referring to them as nation builders. However, with the existence of millions of teachers globally, not all are comparable or gifted in the same way. There exist only a few shining gems among them identified as nation builders in the society's real sense. A teacher is like another parent. They not only impart knowledge, but they build you as a person. One such teacher for me would be Mrs. Ramasamy.

I met her when I was in Primary One. She was my Tamil teacher. Mrs. Ramasamy was probably already in her sixties by then. With a rich experience of dealing with many students, she was well respected in school. Her dressing sense may be considered archaic but it was fashionable. She was always draped in a traditional saree and her hair was long. Her hair was neatly braided and sometimes it made me wonder if it was real. Her demeanor was calm and she never lost patience no matter how unruly the students got. Coming from a non-tamil speaking family, learning Tamil was hard for me. We spoke Malayalam at home and we would often mix up words. Despite that, Mrs. Ramasamy was kind and patient with me. She would take my hand and trace the Tamil words. I admired her patience, compassion and kindness.

I never thought much about her until when I was in Primary 5. Things went downhill in my family and I started getting bullied in school. I became a wall flower and avoided eating with other children during recess. I did not like my form teacher as she too would pick on me. Having nowhere to turn, I put all my focus on studies. Sadly, I did not go to one of the top classes where I could take Higher Tamil. Mrs Ramasamy noticed my predicament and she offered something I would never forget. She would ask me to come for Higher Mother Tongue remedial. She would offer worksheets and even painstakingly mark it. Once she remarked to me, "You are such a good student. I do not understand why your form teacher does not like you." This melted my heart. That was the day it sank into me that there are bad and good teachers too! Her acknowledgement made me feel seen and it meant the world to me. I admired how she was so perceptive and non judgmental.

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Eventually I graduated and never got a chance to see her again. However, she left an indelible mark on me. Today I ensure I am fair when it comes to dealing with people. I show no discrimination. I also have respect for teachers. I started volunteering with special needs children and at times I had found myself losing patience. However, whenever I think of Mrs Ramasamy I remember to be exactly like the teacher I admire. I continue to admire Mrs Ramasamy and wish to be just as gracious as she is!

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