

4 Descriptive Paragraphs

In this unit, you will learn about ...

- descriptive paragraphs and reasons for writing them.
- organizing and writing descriptive paragraphs using adjectives and prepositions.
- using connecting words and phrases to write a paragraph that describes a process.

➤ Describing people, places, and processes

A descriptive paragraph explains how someone or something looks or feels. A process paragraph explains how something is done.

Describing a place

➤ Using adjectives

Adjectives are words that tell us how things look, feel, taste, sound, or smell. Adjectives also describe how you feel about something. Here are a few common adjectives.

shape and size	atmosphere	how you feel	appearance
large / small	cozy	amazed	colorful
wide / narrow	comfortable	surprised	unforgettable
round	warm / cool	happy	beautiful
rectangular	cold / hot	nostalgic	unattractive

A description of a place may answer some of these questions:

- Where is the place?
- How big is it?
- How warm or cold is the place?
- How does the place make you feel? Why?
- What things can you see in this place?
- What colors do you see?

■ List some words to describe these places.

