

- a. Which sentence is the topic sentence?  
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- b. What do sentences 3, 4, 6, 7, and 9 do?
  1. Say the same information in a different way.
  2. Tell a story about the topic.
  3. Explain the topic sentence by giving more information.

**Language focus: Descriptive vocabulary**

You know that a topic sentence tells the main idea of a paragraph. *Supporting sentences* develop the paragraph by adding more information. When you describe a place, you can develop your paragraph by adding descriptive details—information that tells how a place looks, sounds, or smells, or feels.

**3** With a partner, put these adjectives that can describe places into the chart below. Some words can be used in more than one place. Check a dictionary or ask your teacher to explain any new words.

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| dark     | friendly | musical | soft  |
| dry      | green    | quiet   | spicy |
| exciting | humid    | relaxed | sweet |
| fragrant | loud     | sharp   | warm  |

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**4** Look again at the paragraph on page 20, *Relaxing at the Beach*. Circle the descriptive adjectives, and then put them into the chart in exercise 3 above.