

Writing Observations Descriptively

Directions: Write a 1-2 page description of the place you observed for homework. The objective is to practice writing objective and subjective description.

Consider the list of observations you collected for homework, then follow the following steps to write your description:

1. Brainstorm or freewrite. Did you like or dislike this place. Why? Form a sentence that expresses your dominant impression of this place. Don't include this sentence in your description, but keep it before you as you write.
2. Sketch a quick outline or mind map to plan how you'd like to describe this place in an orderly, coherent way. (Is there a logical order, spatial order, or time order that you'd like to follow?)
3. Write your description: aim for 2-3 paragraphs, or 1-2 pages.