



Descriptive texts

A descriptive text is a text that wants you to **picture** what is being described:

- A novel might want you to **imagine** the characters and see them in your mind.
- A travel book will want you to **see** the country being described.

Descriptive texts usually:

- Make use of adjectives and adverbs.
- Use comparisons to help picture the scene (something is 'like' something else).
- Employ the reader's five senses (how something feels, smells, looks, sounds and tastes).

Examples of descriptive texts

The morning air was crisp and sharp as Sean walked down the road.

The pavement was slippery and cold beneath his feet, like a slimy, wet fish.

For more information about words that help describe people, places and things, look at the topic on describing words (**Adjectives**).