

Descriptive Writing

Example of Descriptive Writing

Purpose:

To describe a person, place, or thing so that your writing creates a picture in the reader's mind.

The Birthday Party

Ethan's birthday party was the most colourful, exciting party I had ever been to. Before I was even inside I could hear the sound of music and laughter coming through the open windows. My friends were here too and I couldn't wait to see them!

The welcome sign swayed from side to side as the heavy, wooden door opened. I was greeted with a warm smile and a bright purple top hat sitting on Ethan's head. Behind him there was a sea of hats, all shapes, sizes and colours I could imagine. He guided me over to a worn, brown leather chest, and suggested I choose one for myself. Feathers and sequins tickled my hand as I dug around to find one I liked.

A burst of laughter made me turn around suddenly and I saw a man riding a unicycle through the living room. His bright blue shoes were a blur as he pedalled past. I walked through the house toward the backyard and noticed red and white strips of paper on the walls. The colourful streamers hanging from the ceiling were like spider webs and there was bunting lining the edges.

The garden was as busy as a farmer's market. There were tables set up everywhere with red cloths draped over the top and each one had a different game on it. The table closest to me had white paper cups stacked toward the back in a triangle shape.

My friends were hurling orange ping-pong balls at them with all their strength, trying to knock the cups over. With every game won, you got to choose an awesome prize from the prize wall.

If I didn't know it was Ethan's birthday party, I would have thought I was at the carnival! The games in the garden, the funky hats everyone wore and the decorations inside the house made this the best party I had ever been to.

