

Course Outline and Sample Paragraphs

Sample lesson	
Descriptive Paragraph – Topic: An Important Possession	
Instructions:	Write a paragraph about something that you own. It should be something that is special or important to you in some way. For this essay, you should try to use as many adjectives as possible. Read the example paragraph and you'll find that there are many adjectives that give you a clearer image of the item. If you can insert a photo of the item, it will give your essay more impact.
Format:	You should write this as one long paragraph, with a single topic. The target length is 250 – 300 words.

Please go to the next page to see an example paragraph.

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My Gardening Hat



I like to wear hats and I have many. Some of my hats, like my sun hat that I wear for camping and hiking, or my running cap, have pleasant memories connected with them. However, my most treasured hat is also my newest one. It is my gardening hat. When my father died earlier this year, I went to America for his funeral. While I was there, my mother gave me a small box of his things. I couldn't look in the box at that time, so I packed it in my suitcase. When I returned to Japan, I had time to look through the items in the box. I discovered that one of them was a blue cotton sun hat. The hat is large and fits me perfectly. The color is medium blue, with a navy and white flower pattern band around it. The cotton is soft from having been washed many times and the color was faded from the Arizona desert sun. The hat is not exactly my style, but I wanted to use it. Because it fits me well, and I need protection from the hot summer sun when I work outside, I decided that it would be my garden hat. My father loved gardening and had a beautiful garden at his home in Arizona. Caring for his plants and trees was a peaceful hobby for him. While gardening is not a big hobby for me, I do feel a special kind of satisfaction from working outside. Now, when I take care of my garden, I wear his hat so that I can feel some of that peace that comes from nature and keep my father close to me.

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