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The FIVE SENSES

Descriptive Writing

Writing should use all five senses; seeing, tasting, hearing, smelling; touching. Think about the books you've read, the ones you liked the most. What made them stand out?

Look at these quotes from "Where the Wild Things Are" by Maurice Sendak. After each quote, circle which sense(s) Sendak wanted you to use when reading. On the line write what you felt. Did Sendak succeed?

"Let the wild rumpus start!"
see taste hear smell touch

"Oh, please don't go—we'll eat you up—we love you so!"
see taste hear smell touch

**"And [he] sailed back over a year
and in and out of weeks
and through a day
and into the night of his very own room
where he found his supper waiting for him
and it was still hot."**
see taste hear smell touch

**"And the wild things roared their terrible roars and
gnashed their terrible teeth and rolled their terrible eyes
and showed their terrible claws."**
see taste hear smell touch

“Then from far away across the world he smelled good things to eat, so he gave up being king of the wild things.”

see taste hear smell touch



Go to your classroom library. Choose books, that have descriptive witing. Write the sentence you have located and the sense the author wanted you to use. Write the name of the book and its author.

Sight: _____

NAME of BOOK: _____

Hearing: _____

NAME of BOOK: _____

Taste: _____

NAME of BOOK: _____

Touch: _____

NAME of BOOK: _____

Smell: _____

NAME of BOOK: _____
