**DESCRIPTIVE WORDS**

Good writing depends on descriptive words to create vivid and accurate images in the reader’s mind. A good stock of descriptive words will bolster the quality of your writing.

### Ability – Condition
- adequate
- assured
- authoritative
- capable
- cautious
- competent
- confident
- courageous
- determined
- dynamic
- energetic
- forceful
- gentle
- heroic
- influential
- intense
- lively
- robust
- spirited
- powerful
- secure
- skillful
- zealous

### Anger – Hostility
- agitated
- aggressive
- angry
- annoyed
- arrogant
- callous
- combative
- contrary
- cranky
- cruel
- defiant
- enraged
- evil
- furious
- harsh
- hostile
- impatience
- insensitive
- irritated
- obnoxious
- obstinate
- outraged
- resentful
- rude
- savage
- tense
- vicious
- vindictive

### Depression – Sadness – Gloom
- abandoned
- alienated
- battered
- crushed
- dejected
- depressed
- desolate
- despondent
- discouraged
- dismal
- forsaken
- hopeless
- humiliated
- loathed
- miserable
- mornful
- ostracized
- pathetic
- resentful
- ruined
- scornful
- worthless

### Distress
- afflicted
- baffled
- bewildered
- confused
- disgusted
- dissatisfied
- distrustful
- disturbed
- doubtful
- futile
- impaired
- impatient
- nauseated
- offended
- perplexed
- puzzled
- ridiculous
- skeptical
- strained
- tormented
- troubled
- ungaily
- unsatisfied

### Fear – Anxiety
- agitated
- alarmed
- anxious
- apprehensive
- desperate
- dreading
- embarrassed
- frantic
- hesitant
- horrified
- insecure
- intimidated
- jealous
- nervous
- overwhelmed
- restless
- scared
- strained
- tense
- terrified
- uneasy

### Quantity
- ample
- abundant
- copious
- dearth
- lavish
- liberal
- meager
- numerous
- plentiful
- profuse
- scant
- sufficient
- scarcity
### Sight – Appearance
- adorable
- alert
- beautiful
- brilliant
- blushing
- colorful
- sight
- -
- -
- appearance
- -
- adorable
- contoured
- glamorous
- lithe
- sheer
- alert
- crooked
- gleaming
- motionless
- shallow
- beautiful
- crystalline
- glowing
- murky
- sparkling
- brilliant
- distinct
- graceful
- obtuse
- spotless
- blushing
- elegant
- grotesque
- poised
- unsightly
- colorful
- filthy
- homely
- quaint

### Size
- average
- behemoth
- bulky
- colossal
- size
- -
- average
- diminutive
- mammoth
- petite
- towering
- behemoth
- enormous
- massive
- portly
- voluminous
- bulky
- gigantic
- microscopic
- prodigious
- colossal
- immense
- miniature
- stupendous

### Smell – Taste
- acrid
- antiseptic
- bitter
- -
- -
- smell
- -
- acrid
- fragrant
- peppery
- savory
- tangy
- antiseptic
- fresh
- putrid
- spicy
- tart
- bitter
- medicinal
- ripe
- stale
- tasteless

### Joy – Elation
- amused
- comical
- ecstatic
- elated
- joy
- -
- amused
- exuberant
- inspired
- overjoyed
- tremendous
- comical
- glorious
- jubilant
- satisfied
- triumphant
- ecstatic
- gratified
- magnificent
- splendid
- vivacious
- elated
- hilarious
- majestic
- superb
- witty

### Love – Affection – Concern
- admired
- adorable
- amiable
- congenial
- love
- -
- admired
- conscientious
- genuine
- mellow
- thoughtful
- adorable
- considerate
- honorable
- obliging
- tolerant
- amiable
- courteous
- hospitable
- optimistic
- trustworthy
- congenial
- empathetic
- loving
- reliable
- truthful

### Sound
- booming
- clatter
- deafening
- sound
- -
- booming
- faint
- high-pitched
- shrill
- wail
- clatter
- groan
- melodic
- snarl
- whine
- deafening
- harsh
- resonant
- thunderous
- whispered

### Time
- ancient
- annual
- continual
- time
- -
- ancient
- intermittent
- old-fashioned
- punctual
- sporadic
- annual
- lengthy
- outdated
- rapid
- whirlwind
- continual
- moments
- periodic
- slowly
- yearly

### Touch
- boiling
- crisp
- damp
- dirty
- dusty
- touch
- -
- boiling
- frosty
- prickly
- slippery
- crisp
- gooey
- sandpapery
- sticky
- damp
- greasy
- shaggy
- stinging
- dirty
- grubby
- silky
- waxen
- dusty
- icy
- slimy
- wooden