

# Paint me a Picture

Great writers SHOW what is happening in their stories. We bore our readers when we tell them, "I'm cold". However, when we write, "My teeth were chattering, and my breath was like a dragon's", we are SHOWING our readers something and making our writing so much more interesting.

We can be certain of the things we see, hear, smell, touch, and taste. Use your senses to be a writer that paints pictures, by rewriting these sentences.

Show me that the shark was fast without using the word fast. (Use see)

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Show me that the car was old without using the word old. (Use hear, touch, and see)

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Show me that dad is tired without using the word tired. (Use hear and see)

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Show me someone being sick without using the word sick or any of its synonyms\*. (Use see and smell)

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Show me that you just ate the most delicious food without using the word delicious or any of its synonyms\*. (Use taste)

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\*Synonyms are words that mean exactly or nearly the same as another word. For example: ill, unwell, and poorly are synonyms for sick.