

Grammar and Style

USE SENSORY DETAILS

Using **sensory details**, vivid adjectives and verbs that appeal to the senses, can reinforce or intensify images.

Example

I sat still in my chair, waiting to hear who had won the essay contest.

I sat motionless on the edge of my chair, nervously waiting to hear who had won the coveted first place in the prestigious essay contest.

Directions: Rewrite each of the following sentences, changing or adding adjectives and verbs to help create stronger sensory images.

1. Searching for information to confirm his hunch, he turned the pages of the book.

2. After the rain, the garden was filled with life.

3. While I stood watching from the window, a fawn ate next to its mother.

4. As we walked on the beach, I heard a jet fly by overhead.

5. Once we opened the window, we heard the song of a bluebird.
