
Practice 4

Topic	: Describing Things
Learning Material	: <i>Describing things related to IT</i>
Place	: Classroom
Time Allotment	: 2 x 60'

A. Learning Outcome:

The students will be able to describe things related to IT.

B. Indicators:

- The students can describe the physical appearance of 5 things related to IT.
- The students can mention the function of 5 things related to IT.

C. Theoretical Base:

Definition of Descriptive Text

Descriptive Text is a text which says what a person or a thing is like. Its purpose is to describe and reveal a particular person, place, or thing.

In a broad sense, description, as explained by Kane (2000: 352), is defined like in the following sentence:

Description is about sensory experience; how something looks, sounds, tastes. Mostly it is about visual experience, but description also deals with other kinds of perception.

Thus, if we conclude it from Kane's explanation above, the descriptive text is meaningful text that describes the experience related to the senses, such as what shape, sound, taste is. Most descriptive text is about visual experience, but in fact experience other than the sense of sight, we can also use it to make descriptive text.

But in particular, the descriptive text is, "..... is a text which says what a person or a thing is like. Its purpose is to describe and reveal

a particular person, place, or thing.”

So, it can be said that this descriptive text is a text that explains about whether a person or an object is like, whether its form, its properties, its amount and others. The purpose of the descriptive text is clear, that is to describe, represent or reveal a person or an object, either abstract or concrete.

Generic Structure of Descriptive Text

When writing descriptive text, there are some generic structures (actually not mandatory) for our writing to be true. The arrangement is:

- Identification: (contains about the introduction of a person, place, animal or object will be described.)
- Description: contains a description of something such as animal, things, place or person by describing its features, forms, colors, or anything related to what the writer describe.

Purpose of Descriptive text

- To describe person, thing or place in specific
- To describe a particular person, thing or place.

Language Feature of Descriptive Text

- Specific participant: has a certain object, is not common and unique (only one). for example: Bandengan Beach, My House, Borobudur Temple, Uncle Jim
- The use of the adjective (an adjective) to clarify the noun, for example: a beautiful beach, a handsome man, the famous place in Jepara, etc.
- The use of simple present tense: The sentence pattern used is simple present because it tells the fact of the object described.
- Action verb: verbs that show an activity (for example, run, sleep, walk, cut etc.

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D. Tools and Equipment:

- Software: Power Point Presentation and Microsoft Word
- Hardware: LCD Projector and laptop
- Stationary: Lined paper and pen

E. Work Procedure:





- Building knowledge: The teacher shows the students about 5 pictures of thing related to IT. Students share their knowledge about them.
- Modelling: The teacher gives the example of descriptive text.
- Joint construction: Students work in a group of 4 and match the pictures and the descriptions of things related to IT.
- Independent construction: Students create a descriptive text related to IT.

F. Students' Worksheet:

Exercise I

Instruction: Observe these following pictures and what do you know about them?

No	Picture	Opinion
1		

2		
3		
4		
5		

Pictures powered by Google Images

Exercise II

Instruction: Read this descriptive text and analyze its generic structure.

My Greatest Gadget

Gadget is a one of the greatest discoveries in the world. Gadget makes our life easier and more comfortable. Gadget is usually used for communication, entertaining, and so on. Talking about the gadget, I also have some gadgets in my home such as laptop, mp3 player, and mobile phone. But among the gadgets that I had, there is only one gadget that I love so much that I often carry to everywhere, that is my phone. My phone is red, its shape like candy bar, simple, light-weight and small, so it's easy for me to carry it to everywhere. My phone also has a sophisticated feature that make this gadget become my favourite gadget. The features I always use are internet, media player, and camera.

First, the internet features. My phone has a good quality in internet browsing, it's quite fast. Although it is not as fast as android phone, but I'm quite satisfied with that speed. With the internet features on my phone, I can search anything, I can download many things such as pictures, songs, videos, applications, videos, and many more. Beside download, I can upload my photos, I usually upload my photos on social media like Facebook and Twitter, I also can read and reply messages through e-mail by my phone. And I can play videos on Youtube trough my phone, the buffering is not too long.

Second, the media player. The media player on my phone has two menu, song and video player. With music player, I can listen to my favourite song that stored in my momory card and phone device. Most of the song in my music player are Korean and western song. I usually add some songs too playlists, so I don't need to search for the songs too long. I often open my music player when I was in a public transportation, I listen to music using the earphone. Besides that, there is a video player, I can play my favourite video trough my phone.

Third, the camera. My camera's phone is 3.15 megapixels. It can capture images with good quality. I love to photograph and be photographed. I have so many images in my phone. I can edit my images in my phone by change the effect, adding text or clip-art, cut the photo, add frame and many more. The camera is also used for video recorder with VGA quality, but the video recording is not too bad. I can record every important moment with the camera and the video recorder.

In other words, I chose my handphone as my favourite gadget because of the features on my phone such as internet features, media player, and the camera that's very useful. I think that's all about my favourite gadget, thank you.

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Exercise III

Instruction: Find 5 pictures of things related to IT and their description in the internet.

No	Pictures	Description	Source

Exercise IV

Instruction: Choose one of your favorite things related to IT and create a descriptive text related to it. Provide your text with the picture of the thing described.

Picture	Descriptive Text
	Title
	Physical Appearance

Functions

