

<b>Useful words for Picture Description</b>	
<b>Kinds of pictures and perspectives</b>	viewerpicture, imagepaintingphotograph / photopportrait / landscape / still life worm's eye viewbird's eye view
<b>Structure</b>	Foreground / Background in the upper / lower part on the right / on the leftin the middle in front of / behind next to ...
<b>Light, colours and perspective</b>	Daylight / artificial light. light / dark / loud colours vanishing point / vanishing line
<b>Useful phrases for Picture Description</b>	
<b>Information on artist and year of origin</b>	... ( <i>image</i> ) is a painting by ... ( <i>artist</i> ), painted in ... ( <i>year</i> ). ... ( <i>image</i> ), painted in ... ( <i>year</i> ), is a work by ... ( <i>artist</i> ) ... ( <i>artist</i> ) painted ... ( <i>image</i> ) in ... ( <i>year</i> ).... ( <i>image</i> ) is a famous painting by ... ( <i>artist</i> ).
<b>Describing the scene</b>	The picture was taken in ... ( <i>place</i> ).The photo was taken at ... ( <i>party</i> ).The picture shows a scene from ...It's an image of ... ( <i>place, person, scene</i> ). The picture describes ... ( <i>scene</i> ). The picture shows ... ( <i>place, person, scene</i> ) from a distance. ... ( <i>place, person, scene</i> ) is shown from ... ( <i>a bird's eye view/...</i> ).You look at ... ( <i>place, person, scene</i> ) from ... ( <i>above/behind/...</i> ).
<b>What can you see?</b>	In the picture you can see ..... ( <i>position: on the left/right/...</i> ) there is / are ... ... ( <i>position: on the left/right/...</i> ) you can see ... ... is ... ( <i>position: on the left/right/...</i> )
<b>Impression</b>	... gives the impression of depth.... ( <i>person</i> ) seems to look at the viewer.His / Her eyes seem to follow the viewer.The figures look as if they exist in three dimensions.The viewer has the impression that the people in the picture are alive. The viewer's attention is focused on ...To the alert eye it will become apparent ...The viewer finds it difficult to withdraw his eyes from ... The painting is vivid / happy / expressive.The picture makes the viewer feel ... ( <i>sad/happy</i> )The picture inspires the viewer to think about ...
<b>Intention</b>	The artist mainly uses ... ( <i>colours/forms/...</i> )Important elements are highlighted.The artist / photographer / painter uses ... to express ...He / She ( <i>probably</i> ) wants to criticise / express / show ...It is obvious that the artist wants to criticise / express / show ... What the artist / photographer / painter wants to criticise / express / show is ...What the artist / photographer / painter wants to point out is ... I think / believe / am sure that ...It seems / appears to me that ...The problem illustrated here is ..... symbolises ..... is typical of ...