

***The Miracle Worker* – Setting Description**

Descriptive writing makes the reader feel like she or he has actually met the person, visited the place, attended the event, or examined the thing being described. Now, you will practice using the descriptive devices you learned in class: **simile, metaphor, personification, and alliteration**.

Write a description of a setting from *The Miracle Worker*. First, imagine yourself standing in a specific scene. Maybe you are sitting in the Keller's living room, standing in the yard by the water pump, or riding on the train. What can you see, hear, feel, smell, and even taste from that location? Pick one, specific location that seems most interesting to you, and use vivid descriptions to paint a picture of what it might have looked like. You may use the information you know from the play, but feel free to use your imagination to add other realistic details to make the setting come alive.

Write a description at least 2 paragraphs in length with each paragraph consisting of at least 6 sentences. **The final paragraphs must be typed and MLA formatted.** Work with your parent to edit your paragraph, and together, continue revising until you have completed the checklist.

Descriptive Writing

- Strong verbs and specific nouns
- Quality adjectives and adverbs
- At least 3 sensory details that describe taste, touch, sight, sound, and/or smell, underlined

At least one use of all of these:

- simile (highlight & label one example)
- metaphor (highlight & label one)
- personification (highlight & label one)
- alliteration (highlight & label one)

Sentence & Paragraph Structure

- 2 paragraphs of at least 6 sentences (please count!)
- Good transitions between sentences
- At least 3 different sentence openers per paragraph
- No contractions

MLA Formatted Document

- Line spacing set to double (2.0)
- Paragraph spacing set to zero (0)
- 1 inch margins on all sides
- Times New Roman, 12-pt font
- Header w/Last Name and Page Number in upper right corner, ½ inch from top
- Student's Name, Tutor's Name, Course, and Date on first four lines, aligned left
- Date formatted like 15 August 2023
- Creative title centered on 5th line
- First line of each ¶ indented by ½ inch

Submission

- Submit your paragraphs to turnitin.com
- Submit a printed copy with this signed sheet stapled *behind* it.

I have verified that my student has followed all directions and included all components as shown on the checklist above.

Parent Signature: _____ Date _____