

Need another word that means the same as "descriptive"? Find 13 synonyms and 30 related words for "descriptive" in this overview.

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The synonyms of "Descriptive" are: illustrative, expressive, pictorial, depictive, graphic, picturesque, vivid, striking, elucidative, evaluative, interpretive, expository, revelatory

Descriptive as an Adjective

Definitions of "Descriptive" as an adjective

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, "descriptive" as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- Serving or seeking to describe.
- Serving to describe or inform or characterized by description.
- Of or relating to an approach to linguistic analysis that aims at the description of a language's forms, structures and usage.
- (of an adjective) assigning a quality rather than restricting the application of the expression modified, e.g. blue as distinct from few.
- Describing or classifying in an objective and non-judgemental way.
- Describing accents, forms, structures, and usage without making value judgements.
- Describing the structure of a language.





Synonyms of "Descriptive" as an adjective (13 Words)

depictive Depicted in a recognizable manner.

elucidative That makes clear.

Based on or relating to an assessment to form an idea of the value of

evaluative something.

You will need to demonstrate analytical and **evaluative** skills.

expository Serving to expound or set forth. *Clean expository writing.*

expressive Conveying (a specified quality or idea.

The spires are **expressive** of religious aspiration.

graphic Of or relating to the graphic arts British Book News.

Graphic accounts of battle.

Relating to pictorial illustration.

This timetable is provided for **illustrative** purposes only.

interpretive That provides interpretation.



pictorial Of or expressed in pictures; illustrated.

Feelings presented in a **pictorial** form.

(of a place or building) visually attractive, especially in a quaint or charming

picturesque way.

A picturesque village.

revelatory Prophetic of devastation or ultimate doom.

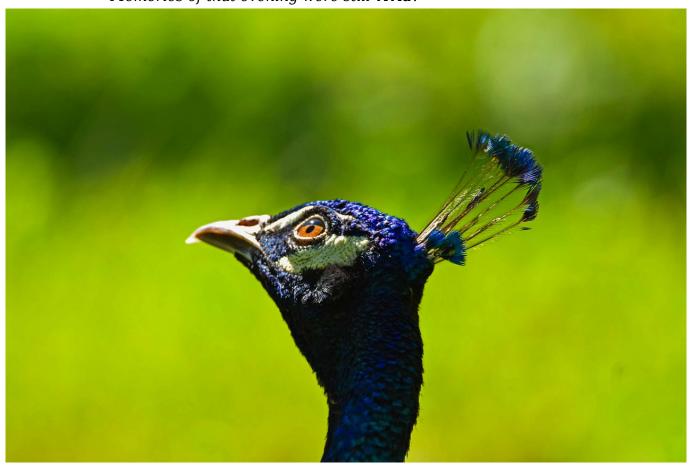
A **revelatory** experience.

striking (of an employee) on strike.

It is **striking** that no research into the problem is being carried out.

vivid Having striking color.

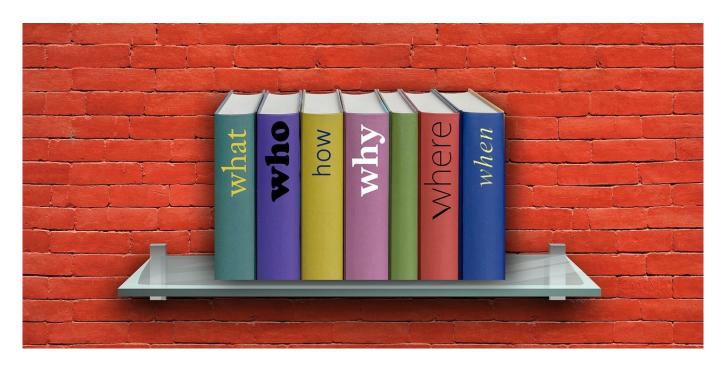
Memories of that evening were still **vivid**.



Usage Examples of "Descriptive" as an adjective

- Descriptive grammar.
- The text contains some good descriptive passages.





Associations of "Descriptive" (30 Words)

annotation A comment or instruction (usually added.

Annotation of prescribed texts.

The definite or indefinite article.

An article of clothing.

caret A mark used by an author or editor to indicate where something is to be

inserted into a text.

Melt (butter) in order to separate out the water and milk solids.

Clarify beer.

Turn part of a program into a comment so that the computer ignores it

comment when running the program.

She denies that the film is a **comment** on the perils of celebrity.

define Make up or establish the character or essence of.

She **define**d her eyes by applying eyeshadow to her eyelids.

definition The action or process of defining something.

Our **definition** of what constitutes poetry.

depict Represent by a drawing, painting, or other art form.

Youth is **depict**ed as a time of vitality and good health.

A graphic or vivid verbal description.

depictionThe painting s horrific **depiction** of war.



A file which consists solely of a set of other files (which may themselves be

directories).

elucidate Make (something) clear; explain.

Work such as theirs will help to **elucidate** this matter.

expatiate Speak or write in detail about.

She **expatiate**d on working class novelists.

Make (an idea or situation) clear to someone by describing it in more detail

explain or revealing relevant facts.

They know stories about me that I can t **explain** away.

Analyse (a literary work) in order to reveal its meaning.

explicate An attempt to **explicate** the relationship between crime and economic

forces.

expositoryIntended to explain or describe something.

An **expository** prologue.

Add details, as to an account or idea; clarify the meaning of and discourse

expound in a learned way, usually in writing.

The abbess **expound**ed the scriptures to her nuns.

fact A concept whose truth can be proved.

The most commonly known **fact** about hedgehogs is that they have fleas.

instruction A code in a program which defines and carries out an operation.

Always study the **instruction**s supplied.

instructions A manual usually accompanying a technical device and explaining how to

install or operate it.

interpret
Give an interpretation or rendition of.

He would no longer **interpret** her silence as indifference.

interpretation I is a sint a result of the Lie

His unique **interpretation** of the Liszt tudes.

Relating to language or linguistics.

A linguistic atlas.

narrative Consisting of or characterized by the telling of a story.

A **narrative** poem.

notation A note or annotation.

He added a short **notation** to the address on the envelope.

Put quote marks around.

A quote from Wordsworth.



(law) an explanation of the fundamental reasons (especially an explanation

rationale of the working of some device in terms of laws of nature.

The **rationale** for capital punishment.

The message that is intended or expressed or signified.

signification Film comes closer than other forms of **signification** to resemblance of

reality.

statement A definite or clear expression of something in speech or writing.

She made a **statement** to the police.

text A text message.

Stylistic features of journalistic text.

The activity or skill of writing.

writing

She made a decent living from writing.

