

MY FIRST SHOW

Writer's Tip

- Descriptive details make stories more interesting.
- Think about how things looked, felt, smelled, and sounded.

I will never forget the first time I sang on stage. I had the star role in our school musical, *Grease*. The auditorium looked huge! My knees were shaking. My hands were sweating. The smell of my own hairspray was making me sick. I had butterflies in my stomach.

I could hear the crowd coming in. They were all chatting. It sounded like there were millions of people! Then the lights went out. The crowd hushed. I heard the music begin. I took a deep breath and danced on to the stage. Finally, I began to sing. The rest was easy!



Descriptive Details

- ▶ Reread the passage. Underline the details that describe sights, sounds, smells, and feelings. Write examples on the lines below.

① My knees were shaking.

② _____

③ _____

Your Turn

- ▶ Think about the story you are writing. Use the chart to write details about what happened.

What I Saw	What I Heard
What I Smelled	What I Felt

- ▶ Now use your chart to write a paragraph of your story. Be sure to include many descriptive details.