

Five Senses Writing

An activity of "Pulau Ubin: not just an adventure island"

The writer of "**Pulau Ubin: not just an adventure island**" (page 20, *What's Up* August 2022) vividly describes her trip to various parts of Pulau Ubin. Notice that she shows readers what the place is like by using her five senses to describe what she experienced. Let's practise this method of descriptive writing and use our imagination!

1. Pick one place in Pulau Ubin to write about.
2. Brainstorm descriptions of the place using the helping websites and video links given below, or from memories of your own visits.

Some places of interest in Pulau Ubin:

Ubin Fruit Orchard

www.nparks.gov.sg/pulau-ubin/biodiversity/places-of-interest/ubin-fruit-orchard

Chek Jawa Wetlands

www.nparks.gov.sg/pulau-ubin/biodiversity/places-of-interest/chek-jawa-wetlands

Pekan Quarry floating wetlands

www.nparks.gov.sg/pulau-ubin/biodiversity/places-of-interest/pekan-floating-wetlands

Butterfly Hill

www.nparks.gov.sg/pulau-ubin/biodiversity/places-of-interest/butterfly-hill

Ketam Mountain Bike Park

www.youtube.com/watch?v=LzsRH8cF0C8

Restored kampungs

www.youtube.com/watch?v=lygNHxiEmYo

3. Imagine yourself there and describe your chosen place using your five senses. Write in the past tense. An example has been provided.

(EXAMPLE)

I am writing about: *The bumboat ride to Pulau Ubin.*

(Sight) *The sky was grey and covered with low clouds.*

(Hearing) *The drone of the bumboat was loud, drowning out the sloshing sea waves.*

(Touch) *Little droplets of sea spray rained down on my skin.*

(Smell) *I took a deep breath of the fresh sea air, which had a hint of engine fumes.*

(Taste) *I licked the salty spray from my lips and smiled in excitement as we arrived.*

Now, it is your turn to imagine using your five senses!

I am writing about: _____

(Sight) _____

(Hearing) _____

(Touch) _____

(Smell) _____

(Taste) _____

4. Share your description with your class.
