

Descriptive Text

What is a Descriptive text?

- **Descriptive text** is *a text which says what a person or thing is like.*
- Its **purpose** is *to describe and reveal a particular person, place, or thing.*

The Generic Structure of a descriptive text

- **Identification:** *identifying the phenomenon to be described.*
- **Description:** *describing the phenomenon in parts, qualities, or /and characteristics*

Language Features

- Using *attributive* and *identifying process*
- Using *adjectives* and *classifiers in nominal groups*
- Using simple present tense
- Using *nouns*, example *teacher, house, my cat*, etc.
- *Detailed noun phrase* untuk memberikan informasi tentang subyek, misalnya *It was a large open rowboat, a sweet young lady*, dsb.
- Berbagai macam **adjectives** yang bersifat *describing, classifying, numbering*, misalnya *two strong legs, sharp white fangs*, dsb
- **Thinking verbs** dan **feeling verbs** untuk mengungkapkan pandangan pribadi penulis tentang subyek, misalnya *Police believe the suspect is armed, I think it is a clever animal*, dsb
- **Action verbs**, misalnya *Our new puppy bites our shoes*, dsb.
- **Adverbials**, untuk memberikan informasi tambahan tentang perilaku tsb, misalnya *fast, at the tree house*, dsb.
- Bahasa **figurative** seperti *simile, metafor*, misalnya *John is as white as chalk, sat tight*, dsb

Text Analysis

title	Borobudur
Identification	Borobudur is a Hindu – Budhist temple. It was built in the ninth century under Sailendra dynasty of ancient Mataram kingdom. Borobudur is located in Magelang, Central Java, Indonesia.
Description	Borobudur is well-known all over the world. Its construction is influenced by the Gupta architecture of India. The temple is constructed on a hill 46 high and consists of eight step like stone terrace. The first five terrace are square and surrounded by walls adorned with Budhist sculpture in bas-relief. The upper three are circular. Each of them is with a circle of bell-shape stupa. The entire adifice is crowned by a large stupa at the center of the top circle. The way to the summit extends through some 4.8 km of passage and stairways. The design of Borobudur which symbolizes the structure of universe influences temples at Angkor, Cambodia.
Description	Borobudur temple which is rededicated as an Indonesian monument in 1983 is a valuable treasure for Indonesian people.