

Observations

Observation is where science begins. Really look at something for a while and you will be amazed at all of the wonderful things you can see that you never noticed before. Then listen, and if it is safe, smell, touch, and taste. Then record what you observed; carefully describe every detail. Would a picture help? Can you measure it somehow with a ruler, balance, or stopwatch?

Assignment: Choose something and observe it for at least 15 minutes and record your observations. Write at least two well developed paragraphs describing what you saw and heard. Check your spelling and grammar. Is your description complete? Would someone who had not seen what you just saw understand your description?

Choose something safe to observe. Do not stare at the sun, taste poison, etc.

Tell only what you are observing RIGHT NOW! If you are looking at an egg, describe this one egg, not eggs you have known in the past. Do not tell what is inside unless you are looking inside right now! This assignment is about observing, not about remembering.