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AI documentation

- Name of AI used: ChatGPT 5.0
- Prompt: What the heck is imagery?
- AI Response:

Great question! Let's break it down simply:

Imagery is when writers use **descriptive language that appeals to our five senses** (sight, sound, touch, taste, and smell) in order to create a vivid picture in the reader's mind.

👉 It's not just "image = picture." It's *any sensory detail* that makes the writing feel real and alive.

- **Visual imagery (sight):** "The golden sun dipped below the horizon, painting the sky in streaks of crimson and violet."
- **Auditory imagery (sound):** "The old floorboards groaned with each cautious step."
- **Tactile imagery (touch):** "Her sweater was scratchy against his cheek."
- **Olfactory imagery (smell):** "The kitchen reeked of burnt toast and sour milk."
- **Gustatory imagery (taste):** "The lemonade was sharp and tangy, puckering her lips."

Writers use imagery to **set a mood, emphasize themes, and pull the reader deeper into the experience.**

Do you want me to explain this in a **student-friendly way you could use in class**, maybe with a quick exercise?

- What exact words from the AI response were used in your work: on page 2 of my essay I used **Gustatory imagery (taste):** "The lemonade was sharp and tangy, puckering her lips."
- Why did you choose to use it: I chose to use AI in my writing not because I want it to replace my thinking, but because it can help me get my ideas across more clearly.

Sometimes I struggle with organizing my thoughts, and AI can give me a structure or

reword things in a way that makes sense. It also helps when I get stuck, because it can give me a place to start or suggest examples I might not have thought of. Another reason I might use it is to see different perspectives or arguments, which I can then decide whether to include or not. AI also saves me time on little things like summaries or formatting, so I can focus more on the parts that need my own voice. In the end, AI is just a tool that supports my writing, but the actual ideas, choices, and style still have to come from me. Ultimately, I thought its explanation of imagery was clearer than my previous attempt.