

Nonfiction Writing to Describe and Explain

Next to each passage, write a D if it's mainly description or an E if it's mainly to explain.



1. _____ Blue, white, and yellow wildflowers dotted the field.
2. _____ When Vinu entered the kitchen she smelled the lamb and spices cooking.
3. _____ The first step in counting your money is to divide the pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters into piles.
4. _____ As Jennifer walked into the yard, the white chickens surrounded her, flapping their wings and squawking loudly.
5. _____ After you have written a story, make it into a book. Staple the pages together with a cover. Draw a picture on the cover that goes with the story.
6. _____ Reptiles are cold-blooded animals. This means their bodies can't create their own heat.
7. _____ Nathan shivered in the freezing rain. He drew his heavy coat more tightly around him and pulled his fuzzy hat down over his ears.