

## WRITING AN ESSAY ON A GIVEN PICTURE

Level: 9<sup>th</sup> grade, intensive English study

Aim: to write an essay on a given picture

Skills: reading, writing, speaking

Language: using nouns, adjectives, spelling, punctuation, developing vocabulary

Abilities: creativity, creating a message, communication

Organisation: individual work

Time: 40 minutes

Procedure:

**A)** Each pupil is given a worksheet containing two pictures, the both sides of a postcard.

(Source: the online magazine *transilvaniabusiness.ro*)

**B)** Each pupil is given a list of the same questions/tasks regarding the essay:

- a) What do you see in the given picture?
- b) Make a list of ten nouns and ten adjectives in order to describe this castle.
- c) Would you live in a castle like this?
- d) Describe in two lines the atmosphere of this place.
- e) What is your opinion about the restoration of this kind of national heritage

**C)** The answers will be given by all students.

**D)** Each pupil has to decide on the main idea of their essay.

**E)** Each pupil will write a 40 line-essay, linking to the given postcard.

**F)** Students create a catchy title for their essays.

**G)** Randomly, the teacher selects some essays in order to be read out in front of the class.

**H)** The others listen and compare the presented essays to their own.

Teacher: gives and explains the task, organizes the activity, coordinates, observes, monitors but does not interfere, only if needed, answers possible questions, provides feedback.

Homework: Write a postcard content starting from the given picture.



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