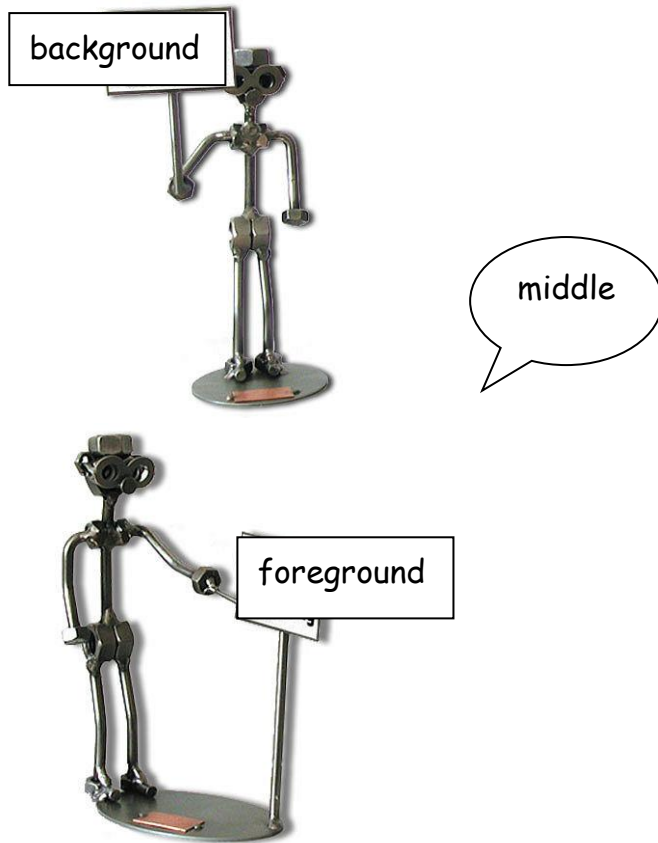


## How to describe pictures - with Luke



useful website: [www.writefix.com/pet](http://www.writefix.com/pet) (all parts)

### When describing a picture, you can mention

- **whom or what** you can see (there is/there are, I can see, it shows...)
- the **place**
- the **season**
- **what is happening** (they are running, shopping, biking, buying things)
- the **mood** (look happy, sad, excited)
- what **has just happened** (they have just started doing it)
- what is **going to happen** next (they are going to go home)
- **opinion words** (I think, I guess, I believe, it seems to me that, I don't think, it must be, it could be, one possibility is that..., to my mind, as far as I am concerned, I tend to think that, my personal view is that, They seem to have a good time/ to be enjoying themselves. I'm not sure if.../I wonder what.../I suppose/Maybe...)

### USEFUL PHRASES

- In the photo there is/are ... who/which ...
- I think the photo was taken in ... because ...
  - At the top/bottom I can see ...
  - Next to ...
- In the foreground/background/middle of the picture I can see ...
  - What is fascinating about this photo is/are ... because ...
    - I have noticed that ...
    - If you take a closer look, you can see ...
  - The background looks interesting because ...

### LANGUAGE

- Use present progressive for actions.
- Use simple present for states (Zustände).
  - Use a lot of different adjectives.
- Say **"in" the picture**, not **"on" the picture!**

## Describing people



stylishly dressed = modisch gekleidet  
well groomed = gepflegt  
dishevelled = ramponiert  
grubby = schmutzdelig

cute = niedlich  
handsome = gut aussehend  
beautiful = wunderschön  
plain = beinahe hässlich

short – tall = klein – groß

slender/slim = schlank  
thin = dünn  
skinny = mager  
well-built = kräftig  
plump = rundlich, mollig  
muscular = muskulös

pale = bleich  
tanned =  
gebräunt

**outward  
appearance**  
=  
Äußere Erscheinung

a trendy hairstyle	= eine aktuelle Frisur
brunette, blonde, redhead	= Brünette, Blondine, Rothaarige
she wears her hair in a ponytail	= sie trägt einen Pferdeschwanz
cute pigtailed	= niedliche Zöpfe
straight, curly, frizzy hair	= glattes, lockiges, krauses Haar
his hair is thinning	= sein Haar lichtet sich langsam
he's bald	= er hat eine Glatze
he has a beard	= er hat einen Bart