Reading for Writing

Describe a place you like

Beautiful Ireland and Its Traditions

Teaching Analysis:

The text describes the beautiful landscape of Ireland and its traditions. To show the inspiring and exciting beautiful landscape of Ireland, the writer begins the description with its natural scenery in different senses and space order. And it’s this beauty that nourishes the strong tradition of Ireland. Such connection also makes the description coherently. For ss in Grade1, they are interested in this topic but they have difficulty making a concise and coherent description. They lack in writing skills in details description and transitional devices. Thus, in this class, the teaching aims are designed as follow:

1. To experience the Irish beauty and tradition through analyzing and appreciating the descriptive language and details description.
2. To understand the connection between the beauty of Ireland and its traditions.
3. To apply the writing skills of adding details to make their own description detailed and vivid.

Difficulty& Key Points:

1. To appreciate and analyze the descriptive skills in the text.
2. To apply the descriptive skills to details writing.

Step1: Lead-In (3mins)

Guessing: Guess a Place I like-Irish

Teacher offers some tips about Ireland in different senses.

Irish People: famous poets, writers and actors

Irish landscape: countryside view(Pics)

Irish dancing (video)

Irish food (beer and beef)

Q: What’s your first impression on this country-Ireland?

(Aims: to elicit the topic and offer certain background information to stir up their previous knowledge and prepare for reading)

Step2: Reading (15)

1. Read for main idea

Analyze the title and topic sentence

Beautiful Ireland and Its Traditions

Q1：What’s the connection of them?

Has a great influence on its people and tradition

produce writers; inspires and excites all

1. Read for understanding and appreciating :

Q2: Why can the beautiful countryside inspire and excites all?

Offer sth for each senses.

Q3: What can we find in Ireland for our five senses? And in which place of the Ireland can experience these?

 Ss: Finish the information map and think about which part of the description impresses you most and Why.q4

(Aims: to understand the connection between Irish beauty and tradition and appreciate the writing skills and details description)

Step3: Summarize:

How to make our description detailed?

Use sensory details and figure of speech

Using Specific words:

How to make our description coherent?

Logical connection; Transitional Sentence; Space order

Step4: Writing (20mins)

What do you think of Changshan?

Changshan is a beautiful, peaceful, calm and slow-pace county.

Can you add some details to enrich the this description?

Five Senses:

See: bright sunshine; people;farmers; field; mountains; huyou trees; wild duck; yawning and stretching cats and dogs

Hear; buzzing;whistle;breeze微风; changshan river; the bell of bell tower;

smell: the scent of cole flowers; the scent of steamed Baozi;

Taste: local noodles;

Blackboard Design:

* The following are words and phrases indicating space:
* Above, across, against, along, around, at, behind, below, beneath, underneath, beside, between, facing, from, in, inside, in front of, in the middle of, next to, on , on either side of, on top of, outside, over, separated by, supported by, surrounded by, to the left of, to the right of, under…