

Low-Level, S2

Word Descriptor List

The following word descriptor list is intended to be used as a guideline, and is not a definitive or exhaustive list of acceptable low-level (S2) word descriptors. It is meant to serve as a means of understanding of the types of words that should ideally be used in describing your target early in-session. You may keep this sheet on-hand while running your first few RV sessions, however you should not remain reliant on it for long.

Textures

Abrasive, airy, bone-dry, bristly, bumpy, coarse, damp, dimpled, edged, feathery, filmy, flimsy, fluffy, fuzzy, gaseous, glassy, gooey, grainy, greasy, gritty, grooved, hairy, hard, leafy, leathery, lumpy, malleable, matte, metallic, moist, mushy, oily, pebbly, polished, powdery, prickly, resilient, rough, rubbery, sandy, saturated, semi-hard, semi-soft, sharp, silky, slick, slippery, smooth, soft, spongy, squishy, sticky, stringy, tacky, varied, velvety, vibrating, viscous, watery, wet, wiry, wooden

Colours

Amber, beige, black, blended, blue, bright, bronze, brown, checked, crossed, dark, faded, fluorescent, golden, green, grey, light, luminescent, matte, mottled, multicoloured, neon, opaque, orange, pale, pastel, patterned, pink, purple, red, reflective, shadowed, shiny, silver, soft, speckled, spotted, striped, tan, translucent, transparent, turquoise, white, yellow

Smells

Acrid, aromatic, botanical, chalky, chemical, dank, earthy, faint, foul, fragrant, fresh, green, moist, mouldy, musty, odourless, overpowering, pungent, rotten, salty, stale, strong, sweet, weak, wooden

Tastes

Acidic, acrid, botanical, bitter, bittersweet, bland, chalky, chemical, foul, fresh, metallic, rancid, rotten, salty, sour, spicy, stony, strong, sweet, tangy, tart, weak, wooden

Temperatures

Absorbent, ambient, arid, body, blazing, boiling, chilly, cold, cool, cooling, decreasing, dry, freezing, frigid, hot, humid, increasing, lukewarm, medium, moderate, moist, radiant, room, scalding, scorching, steaming, sub-zero, warm, warming,

Sounds

Anechoic, arrhythmic, banging, bass, booming, buzzing, chirping, chugging, clanging, clanking, clear, clicking, close, crackling, crunching, deep, ding, distant, dripping, far, echoes, grinding, gurgling, high-pitched, hissing, hollow, humming, jingling, loud, low-pitched, mechanical, metallic, muffled, nasally, noisy, quiet, rattling, reverberation, rhythmic, ringing, roaring, rubbing, rumbling, rushing, rustling, scraping, screeching, silence, splashing, squeaking, squealing, squishing, tapping, thrumming, thudding, thumping, tinkling, treble, vibrating, voice, voices, whirring, whispers, whooshing

Dimensions, Densities, & Motions

Above, across, airy, angular, around, back & forth, below, beside, big, boxy, circling, circular, close, criss-crossed, crossed, curved, curving, cylindrical, deep, dense, diagonal, down, empty, enclosed, enormous, far, fast, flat, flimsy, gigantic, heavy, high, hollow, horizontal, huge, in, inside, light, long, looping, low, massive, medium, microscopic, minuscule, moving, narrow, near, oblong, off, on, open, out, outside, oval, over, peaked, pointed, rectangular, round, scattered, shallow, slow, small, sparse, spinning, spiralling, square, squat, straight, tall, thick, thin, tiny, tubular, under, up, vast, vertical, wavy, wide

Aesthetic Impact (AI)

Afraid, alert, amazed, anxious, awed, bored, cheerful, confused, content, curious, depressed, disoriented, dizzy, dreamy, excited, familiar, fearful, friendly, frightened, frustrated, happy, impressed, interested, intimidated, intrigued, joyful, lonely, lost, nervous, observant, overwhelmed, peaceful, pleasant, pleased, reflective, relaxed, respectful, reverent, sad, shocked, surprised, tense, thoughtful, tired, unfamiliar