Narrative Tools

Revision

It was hot as hell outside.

1. Sensory description (see, hear, feel, smell, taste)

Heat waves wafted up from the asphalt, slowly welding my scorching feet to the cheap rubber sandals.

2. Eliminate the cliché; instead add figurative language

My roasting feet sizzled like slabs of thick-cut bacon, frying in a pan.

After what seemed like an eternity, I fell.

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- 2. Eliminate the cliché; instead add figurative language

I could see the blues, purples, oranges, and reds of the sunset.

- 1. Sensory description (see, hear, feel, smell, taste)
- 2. Add a tone

Romantic: The sun slipped beyond the horizon, leaving behind a lingering coral blush.

Humorous: Much like the mischievous schnauzer Scruffy, whose owner just discovered her shredded Louboutins, the sun slunk behind the horizon.

Angry: The sun left behind a bruised purple sky in its wake.