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Technical Description Assignment

Due: Tuesday, Sep. 9

Writing technical descriptions is good practice (1) for scientific and technical writing in general and (2) for developing your technical and aesthetic eye.

Before starting this assignment, read the Online Technical Writing chapter on writing technical descriptions: <http://www.io.com/~hcexres/textbook/desc.html>. Be sure to look at the examples (Rayovac Workhorse Flashlight [700 words], etc.).

The assignment has three steps:

1. Photograph your desk (or an equivalent workspace in your room).
2. Draw a picture of your desk (sketch or use a computer application). Try to include all the objects on your desk.
3. Write a 250-300 word technical description of your desk, including the objects on it.

Turn in a printed copy of your description, a copy of your drawing, and a copy of the photograph (a black and white computer printout is fine).