



## Mini-Lesson 6

You Will Need: Out of the Ocean by Debra Frasier

1. Read aloud Out of the Ocean and as you are reading point out how Debra Frasier paints a picture in your mind; you can smell the salt air, feel the sand between your toes, and hear the ocean waves. Tell how you can write about simple events with vivid details.
2. After reading this book, children should close their eyes and think of a place they like to visit. How does it feel, what do they smell, what do they hear, and what can they see?
3. Then have each child share their ideas as a big group or with a partner. The partner's job is to ask more questions such as, "What else do you see?" "How do you feel?" "Can you hear anything else?"
4. Then have each child write their ideas, with the details, about their special place in their Writer's Notebook.