## **Objective**

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to write a descriptive essay about your favorite basketball player.

## **Materials and Prep**

- Pen/pencil
- Paper
- Computer/laptop (optional)

No prior knowledge is required for this lesson.

## **Activities**

- 1. Choose your favorite basketball player and research about their background, career achievements, and playing style.
- 2. Create a graphic organizer to organize your thoughts and ideas for your essay. Include sections for introduction, body paragraphs, and conclusion.
- Write a draft of your essay, making sure to include descriptive language to vividly describe your favorite basketball player. Use similes, metaphors, and specific details to paint a clear picture for your reader.
- 4. Revise and edit your essay for clarity, grammar, and spelling errors. Make sure your essay flows smoothly and effectively communicates your admiration for your favorite basketball player.
- 5. Share your final essay with a family member or friend, and ask for their feedback. Make any necessary revisions based on their suggestions.

## **Ninth Grade Talking Points**

- "In your essay, provide a brief introduction about your favorite basketball player and why you admire them."
- "Use descriptive language to vividly describe their physical appearance, playing style, and unique skills."
- "Include specific examples and anecdotes to support your claims about their achievements and impact on the game."
- "Ensure your essay has a clear structure with well-developed body paragraphs that explore different aspects of your favorite basketball player's career."
- "In the conclusion, summarize your key points and restate why your favorite basketball player is important to you."