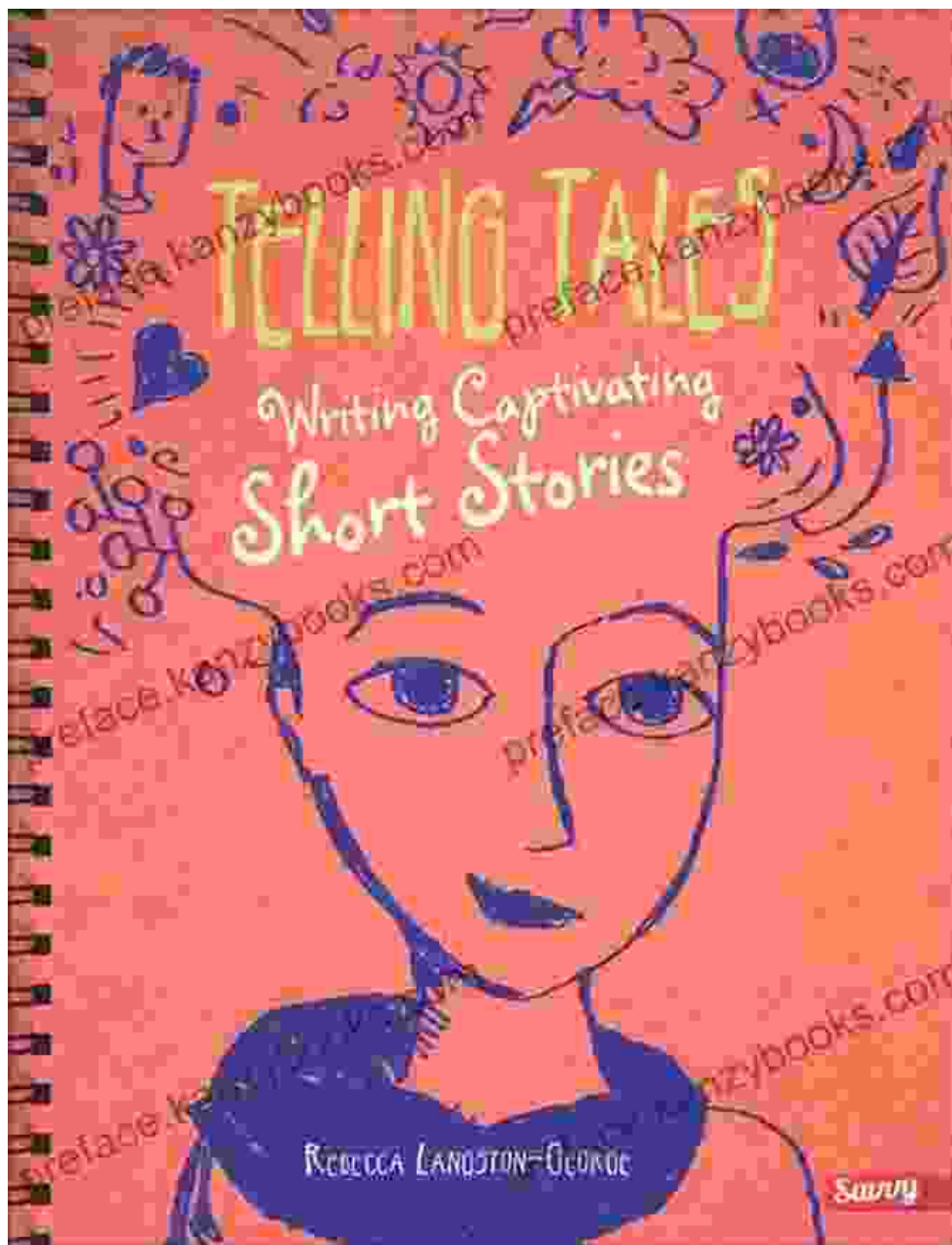


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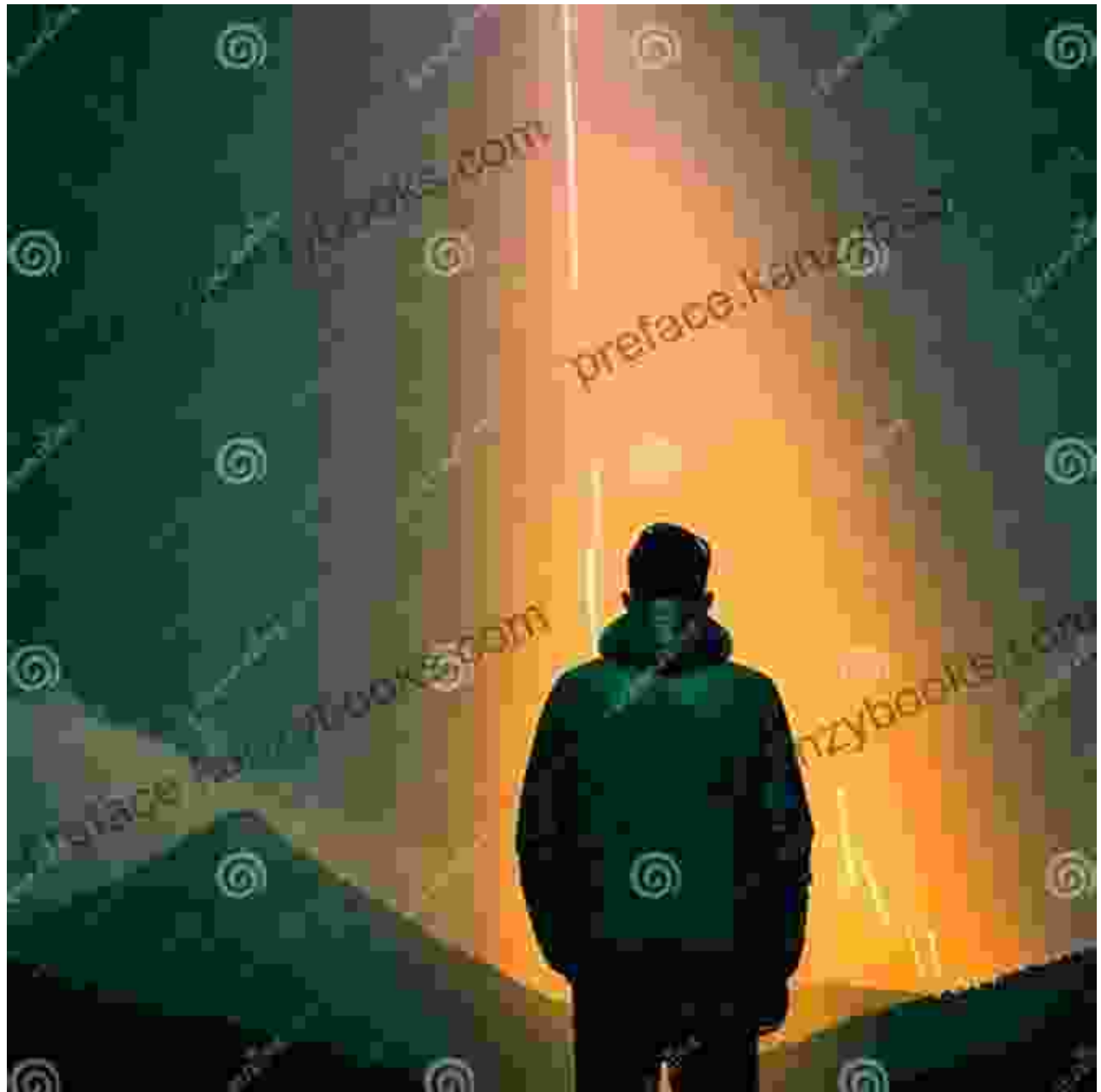


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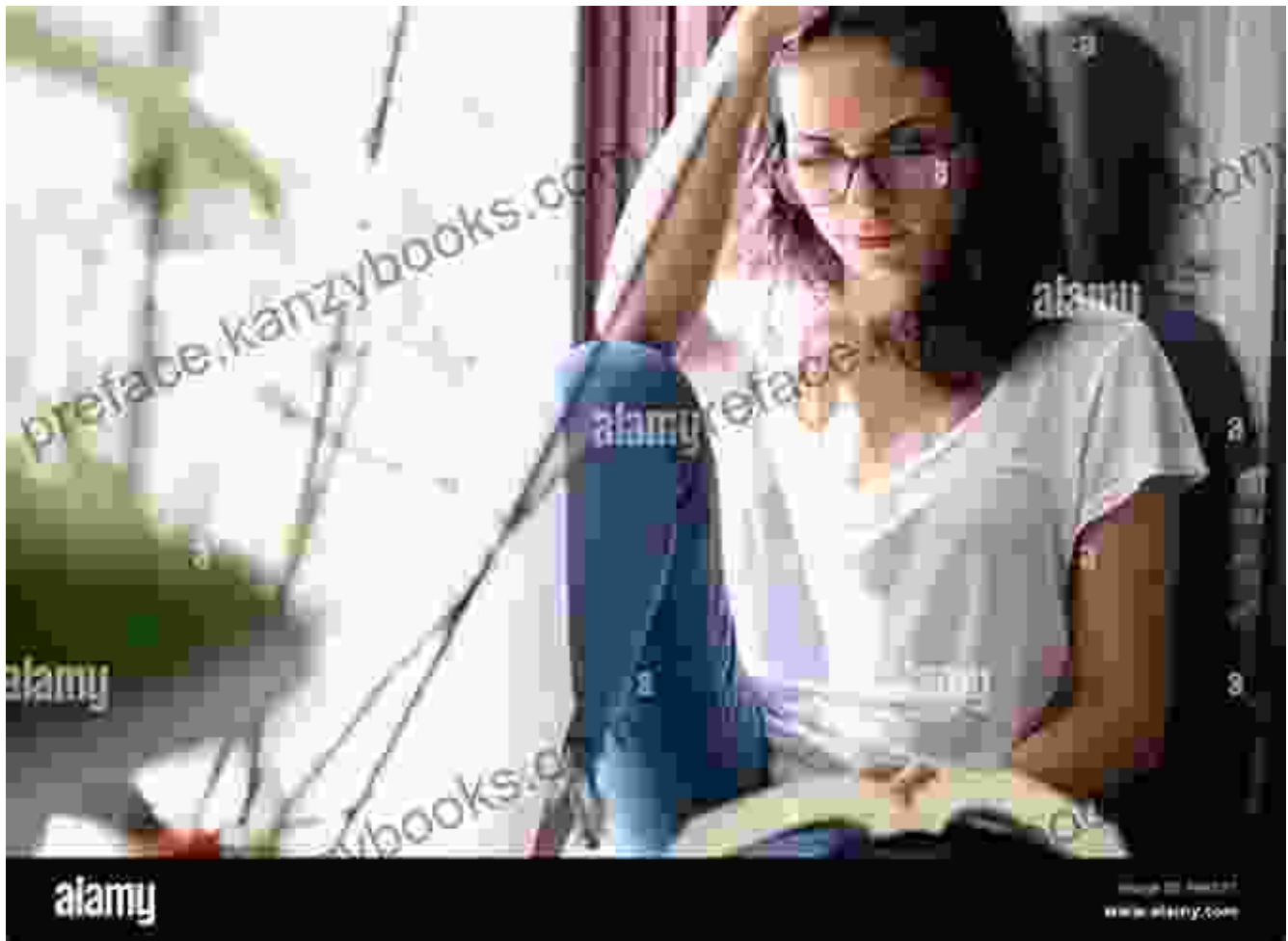
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Write a critical appreciation of the passage paying particular appreciation to the style in which the writer created mood and atmosphere.

In the opening of Sir Susan Hill's "A London Particular" the mood is set by the use of language and imagery in the first paragraph. "It was a Monday afternoon" are the first few words of the extract and suggest that the setting is quite normal yet as we read on in "creeping fog" it creates a sense of oppression. Susan Hill also introduces her first paragraph by using metaphors and this shows the abnormality of the situation. With the falling of obscurity in the passage the reader starts to feel apprehensive and scared at what is to come.

"The fog" is introduced in the first paragraph and is suggested to be occurring by not allowing daylight to penetrate it. The daylight represents purity and goodness and the fact that the fog is stopping this conveys the idea that it is obscuring to the citizens of London. As we read on "the fog" is now just referred to as "fog" which suggests that it has become as a norm and therefore personified. The theme of personification runs through the passage but more so in paragraph two as the fog is said to be "creeping in and out of alleyways and passages". As the fog is "creeping" it is quite sinister as it is normally a word used usually associated with diabolical characters. The fact that the fog is in "alleyways and passages" is so quite sinister as these places are typically seen as hidden and dangerous places. All of these characteristics of the fog imply that it is being evil or in fact evil itself.

When the fog is said to be "gathering and gathering at every opening" it shows the fog is a thief, this likely is negative and that creates a uneasy mood in the passage. Another method that Susan Hill uses to create mood and atmosphere in this extract is by making the fog from the innocent people of London. When the fog is described as one that "choked and blotted" it makes the fog feel scary as well as more night in this situation. When the white circumstances are described as "a mass of blind man's hand" it creates the idea that the people caught in the fog are like a blind man. The vulnerability of the London citizens and the "gathering and gathering" character of the fog creates a tense and ominous atmosphere of the extract.

The change in narrative tells why this is the extract makes the passage seem a little bit as if events that have happened on the mind of the narrative however. The fact that the narrative says is "well (remarkable how well) can remember the minutest detail of that day" suggests that the events are still vivid in his mind and have left him unable to forget The Fog. The fact that the narrative is so affected by the events itself suggests to the reader a gloomy outlook for the rest of the extract.

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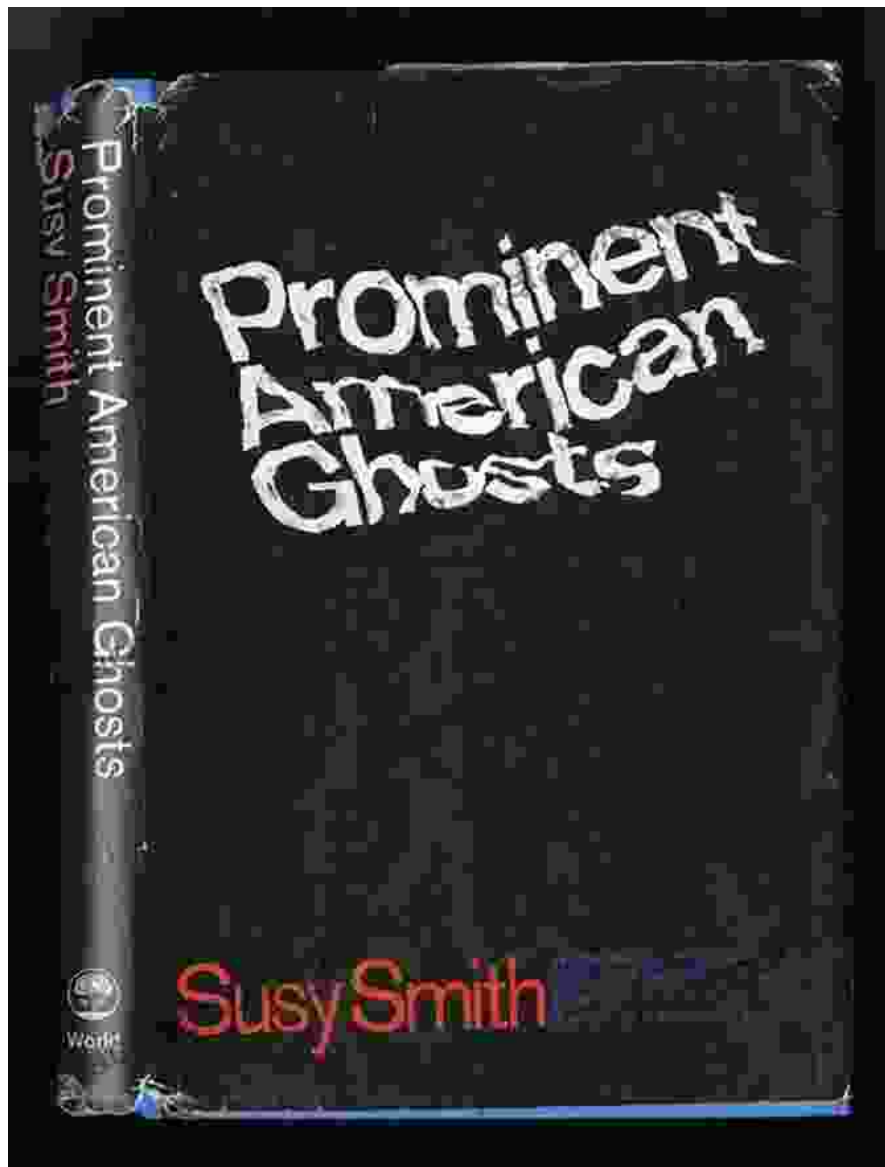
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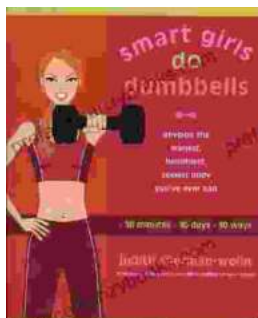
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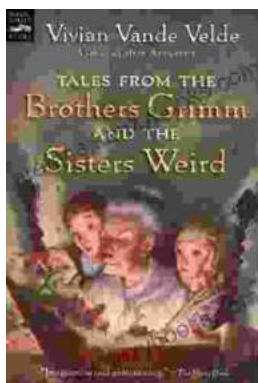
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