

Figurative Language in Poetry

TEAM NAME:

Simile- a comparison of two unlike things using “like” or “as”

Practice: Complete the sentences with a simile.

1. Big trees fell like _____

2. Her smile lit her face like _____

3. Write an original simile:

Metaphor- a comparison of two unlike things not using “like” or “as”

Practice: Interpret the comparison

1. When dreams go, life is a barren field.

2. Out of my blood and brain, I make my own weather: my own sun and rain.

3. Write a sentence with a metaphor:

Personification- an inanimate object is described as having human characteristics.

Ex. I hear America singing, the varied carols I hear.

Create two sentences with personifications.

- Example 1:

- Example 2:

Imagery - language and description that appeals to the five senses; movement (kinesthetic), inner sensations or feelings (organic)

Describe the following using imagery:

a sunset

a crime scene

Other helpful literary elements for your children's book:

Alliteration- repetition of consonant sounds at the beginning of the word.

Ex. In **h**undreds of **h**ouses, **s**leepy women woke **s**leepier children.

Write a sentence with alliteration:

Onomatopoeia- the use of words to imitate sound

Ex. See how he dives from the rocks with a zoom.

Someone was humming under her breath, high and sweet.

Use an onomatopoeia in a sentences to recreate these sounds:

1. a school bell

2. an animal

3. the swing of a bat