

Figurative Language



Use figurative language to make your writing more interesting.

1. **Simile**- comparing two things using like or as. example: He is as cold as ice. (He is being compared to ice. He is mean.)
2. **Metaphor**- comparing two things without using like or as. example: Time is money. (Time is being compared to money.)
3. **Personification**- give objects or things human qualities. (SpongeBob SquarePants)
4. **Hyperbole**- an exaggerated claim not meant to be taken literally.
5. **Idioms**- a form of figurative language that cannot be taken literally. (figure of speech)
   a. Examples: Hit the hay (go to sleep)
6. **Alliteration**- the use of repetitive beginning sounds.

Directions: Read each sentence below. Name the type of figurative language.

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1. The snowflakes were jewels in the sky.
   Type of figurative language: _____

2. I'm as blind as a bat in the dark.
   Type of figurative language: _____

3. Sally sells shells by the seashore.
   Type of figurative language: _____

4. The waves ran towards the shore.
   Type of figurative language: _____

5. There's enough food in the cupboard to feed an entire army!
   Type of figurative language: _____

6. The sun was a gleaming pearl in the sky.
   Type of figurative language:_____

7. Love is a battlefield.
   Type of figurative language: _____

8. She ran faster than the wind.
   Type of figurative language: _____

9. She's so down to earth, I love to hang out with her after work.
   Type of figurative language: _____

10. Time flies when you are having fun.
    Type of figurative language: _____