7th Grade English Assessment

Part 1: Literary Terms (10 points)

Match each term with its correct definition. Write the letter.

1. Claim ___
2. Support ___
3. Counterclaim ___
4. Simile ___
5. Metaphor ___

A. A comparison using "like" or "as"
B. The author's opinion or position
C. Reasons and evidence that back up a claim
D. A response to an opposing opinion
E. A comparison without using "like" or "as"

Part 2: Identify the Literary Device (10 points)

Write the correct term (simile, metaphor, personification).

6. The wind whispered through the trees. _____
7. Her smile is like the sun. _____
8. Time is a thief. _____
9. The stars danced in the sky. _____
10. He runs as fast as a cheetah. _____

Part 3: Poetry (5 points)

11. How many lines does a limerick have? _____
12. What is the rhyme scheme of a limerick? _____
13. How many lines are in a sonnet? _____
14. How many syllables are in each line of a sonnet? _____
15. What are English sonnets also called? _____

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Part 4: Clauses (10 points)

Identify whether each is an independent clause (IC) or dependent clause (DC).

16. When the bell rang _____
17. She finished her homework _____
18. Because it was raining _____
19. They went to the park _____
20. While he was sleeping _____

Part 5: Sentence Types (10 points)

Write whether each sentence is simple, compound, or complex.

21. The dog barked loudly. _____
22. I wanted to go outside, but it was too cold. _____
23. She smiled when she saw her friend. _____
24. The cat slept. _____
25. He studied hard, and he passed the test. _____

Part 6: Writing (5 points)

26. Write:

- ONE simile: _____
- ONE metaphor: _____
- ONE example of personification: _____

Answer Key (for teacher)

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