

Figurative Language & Sound Devices

Directions: Match the figurative language type to the correct example.

1. Simile	A. Sarah skipped to school.	
2. Hyperbole	B. Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way.	
3. Repetition	C. The Statue of Liberty represents freedom.	
4. Metaphor	D. It must have been a million degrees outside!	
5. Idiom	E. She scored 14 points. She was on fire!	
6. Onomatopoeia	F. My little brother is an angel.	
7. Personification	G. Pow! Bang! Boom!	
8. Alliteration	H. The sun shined down and kissed my face.	
9. Symbolism	I. She runs like a cheetah!	

Directions: Read each example. Select the correct type of figurative language for each.

1. _____ Her hair was as soft as a baby kitten.
a. Alliteration b. Onomatopoeia c. Simile d. Idiom

2. _____ A dove represents peace.
a. Idiom b. Metaphor c. Alliteration d. Symbolism

3. _____ The angry clouds marched across the dark sky.
a. Personification b. Alliteration c. Onomatopoeia d. Idiom

4. _____ That test was a piece of cake!
a. Simile b. Symbolism c. Repetition d. Idiom

Keep going!

5. _____ You are my sunshine.

a. Symbolism b. Metaphor c. Alliteration d. Onomatopoeia

6. _____ Perry the platypus popped popcorn for Pedro.

a. Alliteration b. Idiom c. Symbolism d. Hyperbole

7. _____ Wow! He never stops talking!

a. Simile b. Metaphor c. Repetition d. Hyperbole

8. _____ Happy birthday to you. Happy birthday to you. Happy birthday,
dear Sara. Happy birthday to you.

a. Hyperbole b. Repetition c. Idiom d. Onomatopoeia

9. _____ The bee made a loud BUZZ as it flew past my ear.

a. Metaphor b. Simile c. Hyperbole d. Onomatopoeia

Directions: Tell what each idiom means by choosing the correct explanation.

1. _____ She is such an oddball.

a. She is different than everyone else b. She has seven balls to play with

2. _____ Hang in there!

a. Grab the bar and hang on to it b. Don't give up



3. _____ Use a little elbow grease.

a. Put some hard work into it b. Use the oil that drips off your elbow

4. _____ My dad was in the doghouse last night.

a. He was in trouble b. He went inside the doghouse to sleep

5. _____ Before the play, my mother said, "Break a leg!"

a. She wanted my leg to be broken b. She was wishing me good luck

6. _____ That car costs an arm and a leg.

a. It costs a lot of money b. You will pay with one arm and one leg

7. _____ I thought she would cry her eyes out.

a. Cry so much her eyeballs fell out b. She cried a lot

