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Poetry Elements Pre-Test

Match the literary terms below with their definitions.

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| 1. Personification _____ | A. a comparison between non-human and human |
| 2. Alliteration _____ | B. a comparison between two things that does not use the words "like" or "as" |
| 3. Metaphor _____ | C. a comparison between things using "like" or "as" |
| 4. Simile _____ | D. a repetition of a consonant sound at the beginning of two or more words |
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| 5. Onomatopoeia _____ | E. An exaggeration to make a point |
| 6. Hyperbole _____ | F. the repetition of the ending sounds of words |
| 7. Rhyme _____ | G. vivid description of things seen, heard, smelled, touched, or tasted |
| 8. Imagery _____ | H. a word that sounds like what it means |

Match the literary terms to the examples.

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| 9. Rhyme _____ | A. "Warm winds whipped through the willows" |
| 10. Alliteration _____ | B. "His heart pounded – a drum in his chest." |
| 11. Hyperbole _____ | C. "Nature's first green is gold,
Her hardest hue to hold." |
| 12. Metaphor _____ | D. "My mom will murder me if I use all of her cell phone minutes again!" |
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13. Personification _____

14. Imagery _____

15. Simile _____

16. Onomatopoeia _____

E. "The sweet perfume of the rose filled the air."

F. "She ran like the wind."

G. "Shadows – hold their breath"

H. "Her book landed in the puddle with a plop."

Read this poem. Then, underline examples of **three different** poetry elements (rhyme, alliteration, onomatopoeia, simile, metaphor, personification, hyperbole, imagery) and label them in the space next to the poem.

"The Tree" by Eben Court

In spring
your leaves start to come back
and the forest grows with color.
In summer
your leaves turn a brilliant shade of green
and your branches reach for the sky.
In fall
your leaves turn beautiful
shades of orange and red,
filling the air with color.
And then they begin to fall
slowly downwards,
making ground
crunch beneath my feet.
In winter
all your leaves are gone.
Just skeletons live in this age.
The seasons-
they are different to a tree,
but all of them are beautiful.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Are there any others (rhyme, alliteration, onomatopoeia, metaphor, personification, hyperbole, imagery) that were not underlined? Circle them and write the element of poetry you found.