

FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE

METAPHORS, PERSONIFICATION, & HYPERBOLE

task cards

★ Figurative Language

Challenge

1. Highlight metaphors
2. Highlight similes
3. Highlight alliteration
4. Highlight personification
5. Highlight hyperbole

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IDENTIFY & EXPLAIN: METAPHORS, PERSONIFICATION, & HYPERBOLE

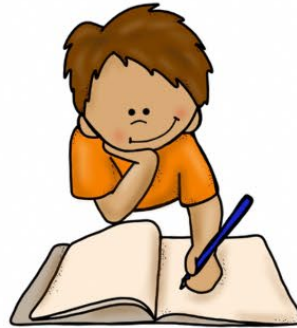
Dear Dad,
I'm having so much fun here at camp! It's like the days of summer vacation. Today, I went on a hike with the boys. We tried to catch some butterflies. We were so busy that we didn't notice the time. It was really fun. Your luck is amazing. I hope you have a great day. Love, Vivek

- Which phrase is an example of hyperbole?
- a. The days of summer vacation.
 - b. The woods were so busy.
 - c. We're planning to catch butterflies.
 - d. The fish laughed at us.

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3rd Grade

Figurative Language



Answer Sheet

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Author's Purpose

The sun is a very special yellow dwarf star. It's about 93 million miles from us here on earth. It's also giant. So giant that it could fit about 1.3 million Earths inside of it! Have you ever burnt your mouth on pizza that was too hot? The sun is burning with temperatures of up to 27 million degrees Fahrenheit. The sun's light moves like a sloth. When sunshine leaves the sun, it takes about 8 minutes and 20 seconds for the sunlight to get to earth! Maybe the sun is so old because it's so old. Scientists say the sun is about 4.6 billion years old. That's like a million times longer than your oldest family member has lived. The next time you go outside and get some sunshine, remember you're getting a piece of a very special star!

"The sun's light moves like a sloth," is an example of which type of figurative language?

- a. Metaphor
- b. Hyperbole
- c. Simile
- d. Personification

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Ways to Use Task Cards

1. **Centers**
2. **Scoot:** Pass out one card for each student. Set a timer and say, “scoot!” when the timer goes off. Students move seats to the next card. They continue to rotate until they are back at their original seat.
3. **Scavenger Hunt:** Hide cards around the room. Students search for cards and answer them.
4. **Jenga:** Number Jenga blocks. Students stack the blocks, then take turns pulling blocks. Students answer the corresponding number card.
5. **Whole class practice:** Teacher displays card on the projector. Students answer on mini whiteboards.
6. **Exit Tickets:** Give each student a task card at the end of the lesson. Have them answer on a sticky note.

1**IDENTIFY & EXPLAIN:
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Snowflakes are so interesting! All snowflakes have six sides. Every snowflake is different. Snowflakes have their own personalities; no two snowflakes are ever the same! Some snowflakes might have a lot of points on their sides. Others might be more rounded. Some snowflakes can even have a star shape! Even though snowflakes are small, each one is a work of art.

For it to snow, there must be dust in the sky. That dust helps snowflakes hold onto their shape when they fall. Snowflakes take about one hour to fall from the sky and reach the ground. As snowflakes fall, they twirl around like falling ballerinas. Snowflakes are truly magical!

"Snowflakes have their own personalities," is an example of which type of figurative language?

- a. Simile
- b. Metaphor
- c. Personification
- d. Hyperbole

2**IDENTIFY & EXPLAIN:
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A principal's day is very busy. There are meetings, emails, and many other duties. It's almost like they're superheroes! Their days are filled with never-ending to-do lists. Their schedule is jam-packed from sunup to sundown. They're in charge of everything from organizing events to sorting out student issues. Principals sure have a lot of responsibility! Nevertheless, they always manage to rise to the occasion. Everything always gets done. It's amazing how principals juggle so much in one day!

Which type of figurative language does the author use *most* in this paragraph?

- a. Hyperbole
- b. Alliteration
- c. Simile
- d. Idiom

3**IDENTIFY & EXPLAIN:
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Urban gardens are like urban jungles! In an urban garden, people can grow delicious and healthy foods. No matter how small a space is, an urban garden can be grown.

Urban gardens usually have fruits, vegetables, and herbs in them. They can also have flowers, trees, and other colorful plants growing. The gardens are rainbows in city spaces.

Urban gardens are also good for the environment. The gardens help lower air pollution. It takes less energy to get people the food than if the food was shipped from somewhere far away. Urban gardens also give homes to animals like birds, butterflies, and bees.

The sentence, "The gardens are rainbows in city spaces," is an example of which type of figurative language?

- a. Alliteration
- b. Personification
- c. Simile
- d. Metaphor

4**IDENTIFY & EXPLAIN:
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The town's people prepared as a hurricane sped closer. The wind howled. The trees whipped around like they were trying to escape it. The sky was an eerie shade of gray. Thunder rumbled like a lion's roar. I could feel the rain coming closer, like a stampede of horses ready to trample the town. It felt like the hurricane had a mind of its own. We held our breath as the storm came closer and closer. It was the most terrifying thing I'd ever seen. The hurricane moved out as quickly as it came in. We were grateful the storm was gone. Now it was time to repair the damages. Everyone worked together and the town was as good as new in no time.

What does the author mean by, "The wind howled"?

- a. There was a dog howling because it was so windy.
- b. There was very little wind in the storm.
- c. The wind sounded like an animal howling loudly.
- d. The wind made all the animals in town start howling.

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