

Leo's Poetry Playground

Learning objective: To identify and use poetic devices including similes, alliteration, and onomatopoeia to create descriptive imagery.

Leo the Lion is writing a grand poem about the jungle, but he has forgotten how to use his poetic tools! Help Leo by filling in the blanks using the best words from the word bank to complete his poem. Make sure your choices create a vivid picture in the reader's mind.

Word bank: Sizzled · Silver · Slippery · Slowly · Slithered · Screeched · Shimmering · Strong

1. The snake _____ through the grass (Alliteration: use a word starting with 'S'). (1 mark)

2. The river looked like a _____ ribbon winding through the trees (Simile). (1 mark)

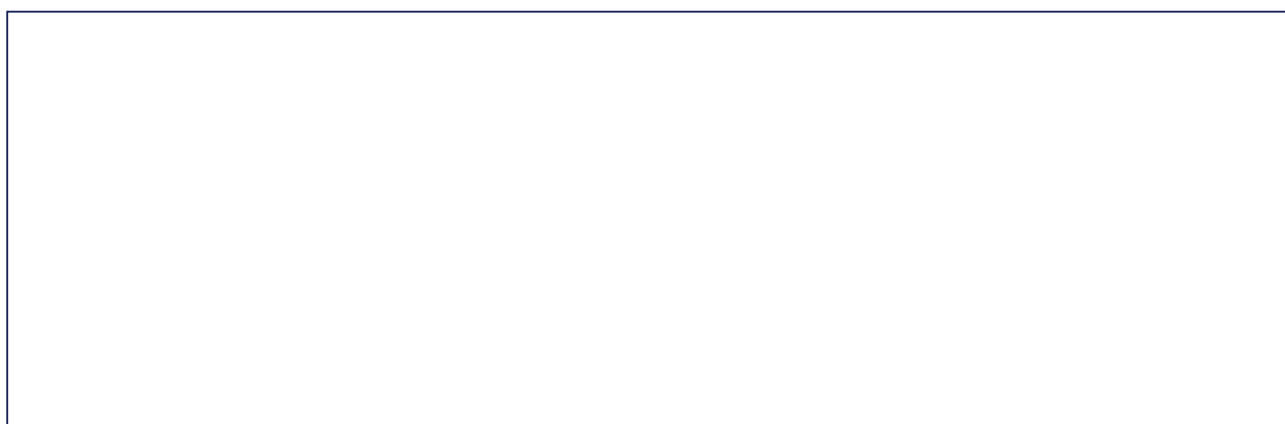
3. Suddenly, a parrot _____ loudly from the canopy (Onomatopoeia). (1 mark)

4. The monkey's fur was as _____ as a wet fish (Simile). (1 mark)

5. The hot sun _____ on the sandy path (Onomatopoeia). (1 mark)

6. The dew on the leaves was _____ in the morning light (Alliteration: use a word starting with 'S'). (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Leo the Lion reading his finished poem to his jungle friends. _____



Extension challenge: Can you write your own stanza (four lines of poetry) about a jungle animal using at least one simile and one example of alliteration?