

Figurative Language Adventure with Pip and Zara

Learning objective: To identify and explain the use of similes, metaphors, and personification in descriptive writing.

Help Pip the bookworm and Zara the zebra explore the magic of language! Read each question carefully and choose the correct answer or write your response in the space provided.

Answer Key: 1. B, 2. True, 3. Metaphor, 4. A, 5. False, 6. Simile, 7. Personification, 8. The sun is a golden coin, 9. The trees danced in the wind, 10. B.

Word bank: Simile · Metaphor · Personification · Alliteration · Imagery

1. 1. Zara says, 'The clouds are fluffy pillows.' Which type of figurative language is this? A) Simile B) Metaphor* C) Personification D) Onomatopoeia (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: A simile always uses the words 'like' or 'as'. (1 mark)

3. 3. Pip says, 'My brain is a library full of stories.' Is this a simile or a metaphor? (1 mark)

4. 4. Which sentence uses personification? A) The wind whispered secrets through the trees.* B) The wind blew very hard. C) The wind was like a loud train. D) The wind felt cold. (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: Personification means giving human qualities to non-human things. (1 mark)

6. 6. Fill in the blank: 'As brave ____ a lion.' (Use one word to complete the simile). (1 mark)

7. 7. 'The stars winked at us from the night sky.' What technique is used here? (1 mark)

8. 8. Rewrite this sentence as a metaphor: 'The sun looks like a golden coin.' (1 mark)

9. 9. Write your own example of personification using the word 'trees'. (1 mark)

10. 10. Which is an example of alliteration? A) The cat sat. B) Silly snakes slithered slowly.*
C) The dog ran fast. D) The bird flew high. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of a 'grumpy alarm clock' to demonstrate your understanding of personification. Give the alarm clock a face and arms!



Extension challenge: Write a short paragraph (3-4 sentences) describing a rainy day using at least one simile and one piece of personification.