

Poetic Prowess with Leo the Lion

Learning objective: To identify and use poetic devices, identify rhyme schemes, and understand structural features of poetry.

Join Leo the Lion on his literary adventure! Read each question carefully and circle the best answer or write your response in the space provided. Good luck, young poets!

Answer Key: 1.C, 2.True, 3.Simile, 4.B, 5.False, 6.Personification, 7.Stanza, 8.B, 9.Onomatopoeia, 10.True

Word bank: Alliteration · Metaphor · Personification · Simile · Stanza · Rhyme Scheme · Onomatopoeia

1. Which poetic device uses 'like' or 'as' to compare two things? A) Metaphor B) Alliteration C) Simile* D) Personification (1 mark)

2. True or False: A 'stanza' is a group of lines forming a section of a poem. (1 mark)

3. 'The stars danced playfully in the moonlight.' This is an example of what? (1 mark)

4. What do we call the pattern of sounds at the ends of lines in a poem? A) Rhythm B) Rhyme scheme* C) Beat D) Verse (1 mark)

5. True or False: All poems must rhyme. (1 mark)

6. 'The sleepy sun sank slowly.' This is an example of: A) Metaphor B) Alliteration* C) Simile D) Onomatopoeia (1 mark)

7. What is the specific word for a paragraph in a poem? (1 mark)

8. A word that imitates the sound it represents (like 'bang' or 'hiss') is called: A) Rhythm B) Onomatopoeia* C) Verse D) Imagery (1 mark)

9. Identify the poetic device: 'The wind whistled through the trees.' (1 mark)

10. True or False: A metaphor states that one thing IS another thing, rather than saying it is 'like' something. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a scene that represents the personification of a thunderstorm, making the clouds look like grumpy giants.



Extension challenge: Leo the Lion wants to write a poem about the jungle! Write a four-line stanza (a quatrain) using at least one piece of alliteration and one simile.