

Max's Figurative Language Puzzle

Learning objective: To identify and categorise examples of figurative language, including similes, metaphors, personification, and hyperbole.

Max the monkey has been collecting sentences from his favourite books, but he has mixed them all up! Your task is to sort the sentences below into the correct category. For each sentence, decide if it is a simile, metaphor, personification, or hyperbole. Write the matching category next to each sentence.

Word bank: Simile · Metaphor · Personification · Hyperbole

1. 1. 'The golden sun smiled down on the forest floor.' (Hint: Can the sun actually smile?) (2 marks)

2. 2. 'Nova's eyes were twinkling stars in the night sky.' (2 marks)

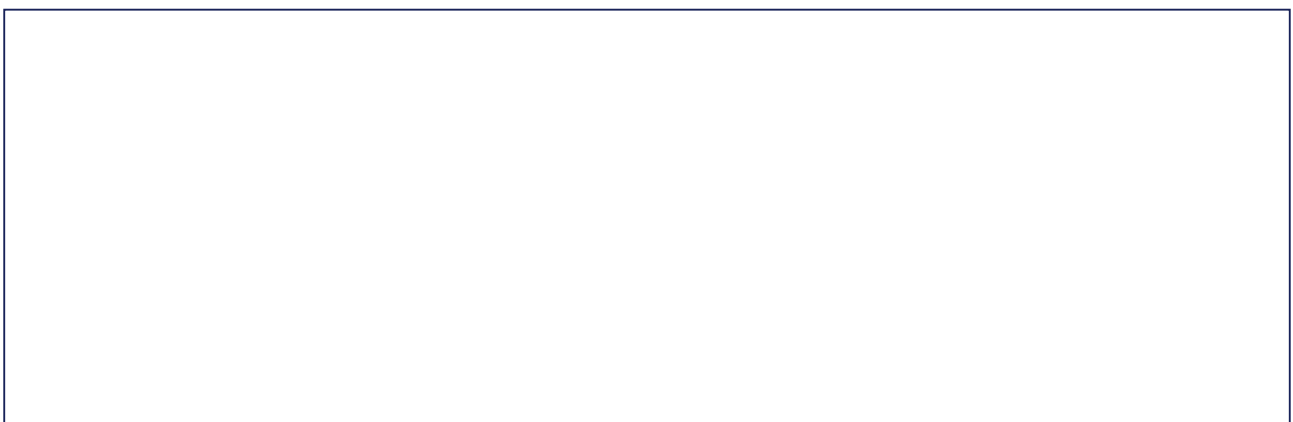
3. 3. 'I have told you a million times to organise your desk!' (2 marks)

4. 4. 'Pip the caterpillar moved as slow as a crawling snail.' (2 marks)

5. 5. 'The old oak tree stretched its tired arms across the path.' (2 marks)

6. 6. 'Zara's canvas was a colourful explosion of joy.' (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of a 'hyperbole' in action, such as a school bag so heavy it is pulling someone into the ground, or a mountain of homework that reaches the clouds.



Extension challenge: Choose one of the sentences you identified and rewrite it using a different type of figurative language. For example, if you chose a simile, try turning it into a metaphor!