




# Figures of speech

Personification  
& Hyperbole

# Objectives:

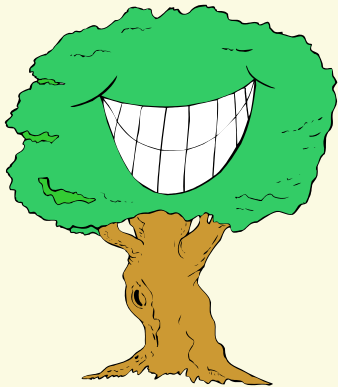
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-  to identify the meaning of personification and hyperbole
-  to create their own examples
-  to use them correctly

# Personification

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Personification is the term used to describe the giving of human characteristics and emotions to inanimate /that is non-living/ objects.



*Example: The tree smiled as it basked in the sun.*

# Personification:

Personification is a type of figurative language that can be found in poems, songs, and stories. Authors use personification to help their readers picture something more vividly.



# Examples:

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- The kettle whistled happily as it boiled.
- My alarm clock yells at me to get out of bed every morning.
- The car danced across the icy road.
- The moon watched me all night.



# Personification Practice

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Which of the following sentences uses personification correctly?

The wind whispered  
softly last night.

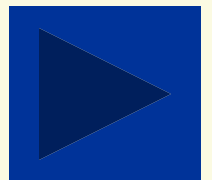
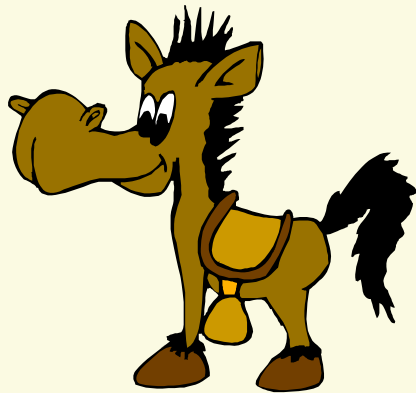
The wind was strong  
last night.



# Hyperbole

Hyperbole is /overstated/  
exaggeration used for effect and  
not to be taken literally.

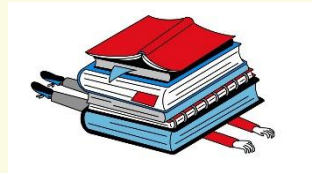
*Example: I'm so hungry that I could eat a  
horse.*



# Examples:

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- This homework is going to take years!
- I'm so tired I could sleep a year!
- He's got tons of money.
- My backpack weighs a ton!





# Hyperbole Practice

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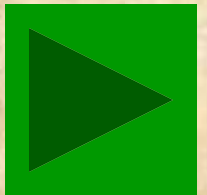
Which of the following sentences uses hyperbole correctly?

I am afraid my mom might kill me when she sees my report card.

My mom will be enraged when she sees my report card.



# Figurative Language Quiz



# Simile or Metaphor?

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The classroom was a freezer when we entered this morning.

Metaphor

Simile

# Simile or Metaphor?

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The student entered the classroom as quiet as a mouse.

Simile

Metaphor

# Metaphor or Personification?

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*The wind howled during the storm last night.*

Metaphor

Personification

# Onomatopoeia or Alliteration?

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The shopping cart *banged* into the car in the parking lot.

Alliteration

Onomatopoeia

## Hyperbole or Alliteration?

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Sally sells seashells down at the seashore.

Alliteration

Hyperbole

# Onomatopoeia or Hyperbole?

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*I ate so much that I am going to explode.*

Onomatopoeia

Hyperbole



# Personification or Onomatopoeia?

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The frog kissed the princess.

Personification

Onomatopoeia

## Simile or Metaphor?

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*The boy ran as fast as a cheetah.*

Metaphor

Simile

# Hyperbole or Personification?

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*I am smarter than Albert Einstein.*

Personification

Hyperbole

# Onomatopoeia or Alliteration?

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*The child splashed into the huge puddle.*

Onomatopoeia

Alliteration

## Ex- 1. Complete each hyperbole. Remember to use exaggeration!

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Example: My uncle's painting is so good that it looks like a million monkeys painted it!

1. My dad's cooking is so bad \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Grandma moves so slowly \_\_\_\_\_.
3. My brother snores so loudly \_\_\_\_\_.
4. His handwriting is so bad \_\_\_\_\_.
5. My sister's temper is so bad \_\_\_\_\_.
6. My fingers are \_\_\_\_\_.
7. My eyes are \_\_\_\_\_.
8. My dog ate so fast \_\_\_\_\_.
9. It was so cold \_\_\_\_\_.
10. My brother's feet are so big \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ex- 2. Write a tall tale about a favourite pet. Use hyperbole.**

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**Ex- 3. Underline the object/ objects personified.  
Circle the word that marks the personification.**

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Example: The waves kissed Martin's feet.

1. The sun is unusually angry today.
2. Time will not stop for anybody.
3. The old house grumbled about not being renovated.
4. The hurricane robbed many people of their houses.
5. Books are Margaret's preferred companions.
6. The city was awake all night.
7. The wind was wailing aloud.
8. Dew-drops sing to the garden stones.
9. The thunder roared in the distance.
10. The night waited for the day to break.

# How did I do?

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What was  
my score?





# Figurative Language All-Stars

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