



Literary Devices

Name: _____

Date: _____

Grade: Grade 5

Part A: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. "The rough bark scratched her fingertips as she climbed" uses _____ that appeals to the sense of touch.
2. A dove is a common _____ for peace in many cultures.
3. "The river was as smooth as glass" is a _____ because it uses the word as to compare.
4. "The spicy chili burned a trail down his throat" contains imagery that appeals to the sense of _____.
5. When an author writes "The night swallowed the village," the night is given a human action, which is called _____.
6. In a story, a character who always wears dark clothing may symbolize _____ or mystery.
7. "Tick-tock, tick-tock went the grandfather clock" uses _____ to imitate the sound a clock makes.
8. Imagery helps the reader _____ a scene by describing what can be seen, heard, felt, smelled, or tasted.
9. "Life is a journey" is a _____ that compares living to traveling without using like or as.

Part B: Matching

Match each item on the left to the correct answer on the right.

1. Match each item to its correct answer.

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| "The bright red, juicy apple glistened in the sunlight" | → _____ | alliteration |
| A broken chain in a story about freedom | → _____ | hyperbole |
| "Wicked wolves wandered the winding | → _____ | imagery |

Answer Key • Literary Devices • Grade: Grade 5

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Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. "The rough bark scratched her fingertips as she climbed" uses imagery that appeals to the sense of touch.
2. A dove is a common symbol for peace in many cultures.
3. "The river was as smooth as glass" is a simile because it uses the word as to compare.
4. "The spicy chili burned a trail down his throat" contains imagery that appeals to the sense of taste .
5. When an author writes "The night swallowed the village," the night is given a human action, which is called personification .
6. In a story, a character who always wears dark clothing may symbolize evil or mystery.
7. "Tick-tock, tick-tock went the grandfather clock" uses onomatopoeia to imitate the sound a clock makes.
8. Imagery helps the reader picture a scene by describing what can be seen, heard, felt, smelled, or tasted.
9. "Life is a journey" is a metaphor that compares living to traveling without using like or as.

Part B: Matching

Match each item on the left to the correct answer on the right.

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| "The bright red, juicy apple glistened in the sunlight" | → <u>imagery</u> | alliteration |
| A broken chain in a story about freedom | → <u>symbolism</u> | hyperbole |
| "Wicked wolves wandered the winding woods" | → <u>alliteration</u> | imagery |