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Literary Devices – Study/Practice

Personification Simile Hyperbole Alliteration Metaphor Onomatopoeia

1. Why do authors use the above literary devices? _____

Section A: For the following, please write a sentence that is an example of the literary device asked for. If words appear in brackets (e..g, door knob), make your sentence about one of the words listed. Write Zoom! beside your name to show you read instructions.

Personification

Write a personification sentence about one of these: **door knob**, **vacuum cleaner**, **toothbrush**)

Hyperbole

Write a hyperbole sentence about one of these: **watching a scary movie** or **playing well at a sport**

Simile (grasshoppers OR alarm clock)

Write a simile sentence about one of these: **grasshoppers** or an **alarm clock**

Metaphor (swimmer OR unhappy customer at a bank)

Write a simile sentence about one of these: **a swimmer** or **an unhappy customer at a store**

Section B: Read the following paragraph. Answer the questions.

In the paragraph below, circle any literary devices you find. Above the circle, make sure you name the literary device you have found. You can use the following abbreviations: Personification = Pers.; Simile = Sim.; Hyperbole = Hyp.; Alliteration = Allit.; Metaphor = Meta.; Onomatopoeia = Ono.

Thump! Jason rolled out of bed and ran like a jack rabbit to the bathroom. He had to been late for work three times already this week. He hoped he had his huge honeydew melon for his healthy breakfast! As Jason brushed his teeth, he looked in the mirror and saw that his hair was a bird's nest. Zow! What a mess!

After getting dressed, Jason was a wolf at the breakfast table. He ate the whole breakfast in about two seconds! Next, he needed to find all his papers for work and his briefcase. He started to panic. Where was his briefcase? Ooooooh! There it was, hiding under the sofa like a child playing hide and seek. Jason was ready to go to work on time for the first time in a million years. He just needed his keys and he could leave. His keys! Where were his keys?

Jason scrambled around the house, throwing things around in an effort to find his keys. The place was a pig sty! Twenty two seconds later, he trampled and tripped, trying to take time to not have a tantrum! He gave up the search, and decided to just walk to work instead. As he opened the front door, he heard a familiar jingle that was like sleigh bells at Christmas time. His keys were still resting in the lock of the front door, where Jason had left them the night before when he got home. Jason saw them and his face became red. He was a raging bull!

1. How did Jason feel at the very end of the story? Give evidence to explain _____
