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ENG1DB Figurative Language REVIEW Quiz



- For each of the **20** examples of **figurative language** provided, please clearly identify what figurative language device is being used (i.e. If the example provided was "Life is like a rollercoaster, filled with highs and lows", you would correctly identify this example as a **simile**)
- Please aim for correct spelling of the figurative language devices as well, after all, this is English class!

1. Her heart was a pile of shattered glass when she heard him say that he would never date her.

What figurative language device is used? Metaphor

2. His cold hospitality made the guests feel uncomfortable and out of place.

What figurative language device is used? Oxymoron

3. I knew we had finally left the city when I could hear the gentle moo of the cows in the field.

What figurative language device is used? Onomatopoeia

4. The wind screamed past my window during the early hours of the morning.

What figurative language device is used? Personification

5. Wide-eyed, Wayne went to Washington to see the White House.

What figurative language device is used? Alliteration

6. The girl working at the ice cream parlour stacked our cones a mile-high with our favourite ice cream flavours.

What figurative language device is used? Hyperbole

7. Penny's golden hair shone as brightly as the mid-day sun.

What figurative language device is used? Simile

8. Six sleek swans swam swiftly southwards.

What figurative language device is used? Alliteration

9. The world is a vampire, existing only to drain humans of their energy.

What figurative language device is used? Metaphor

10. I have a million hours of homework tonight.

What figurative language device is used? Hyperbole

11. The burning wood from the campfire hissed and crackled amid the quiet of the night.

What figurative language device is used? Onomatopoeid

12. Sarah got in a car accident and she responded sarcastically by saying, "Lucky me!"

What figurative language device is used? Verbal Irony

13. The detective listened to her long story with a wooden face.

What figurative language device is used? Metaphor

14. When I arrived at the party wearing jeans and a tattered t-shirt, I stuck out like a sore thumb, because everyone else was wearing tuxedos and evening gowns.

What figurative language device is used? Simile

15. The evil knight wore a tarnished suit of armour that was so soiled that it looked black in colour, and did not reflect any light from the setting sun as he rode across the battlefield. The darkness of his armour perfectly represented the darkness of his soul, and his menacing presence, as he loomed over the men he had wounded or killed.

What figurative language device is used? Symbolism

16. Thomas is so agile that he can climb any structure as if he were Spider-Man.

What figurative language device is used? Allusion / Simile

17. I adore my best friend because she is seriously funny and awfully pretty.

What figurative language device is used? oxymoron

18. In the hard-packed dirt of the midway, after the glaring lights are out and the people have gone to bed, you will find a veritable treasure of popcorn fragments, frozen custard dribblings, candied apples abandoned by tired children, sugar fluff crystals, salted almonds, popsicles, partially gnawed ice cream cones and wooden sticks of lollipops.

What figurative language device is used? Imagery

19. He was so good-looking and talented that the girls at our school followed him around and flirted with him like he was Justin Bieber.

What figurative language device is used? Allusion / Simile

20. The children were roses grown in concrete gardens, beautiful and forlorn.

What figurative language device is used? Metaphor