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**1. Similes:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Example:

*Your smile is as bright as the sun.*

**2. Metaphor:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Example:

**3. Hyperbole:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Example:

**4. Imagery:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Example:

**5. Personification:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Example:

**6. Mood:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Example:

**7. Symbol:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**8. Onomatopoeia:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**9. Alliteration:** \_\_\_\_\_

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1. **Similes:** a comparison of two things using "like" or "as." These things are unlike, but share a trait.

Example:

*Your smile is as bright as the sun.*

NOT 2. **Metaphor:** a comparison of two things not alike using "like" or "as."

Example:

*The snow is a white blanket.  
He is a shining star.*

3. **Hyperbole:** Exaggerated statements not to be taken literally.

Example:

*That man is as tall as a house.  
I'm so hungry, I could eat a horse!*

4. **Imagery:** Visually descriptive or figurative language; appealing to the reader's five senses.

Example:

*"The woods are lovely, dark and deep."  
"For the moon never beams  
without bringing me dreams."*

**5. Personification:** When human characteristics are given to something non human.

Example:

The sun smiled at us.  
The leaves waved in the wind.

**6. Mood:** When specific feelings or emotions are felt through an author's words and descriptions.

Example:

"Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary."

**7. Symbol:** An object that represents or stands for something else.

Example:

Black is a symbol that represents evil or death.  
A dove is a symbol of peace.

**8. Onomatopoeia:** The formation of a word from a sound associated with what is named.

Example:

Boom, sizzle, splat, crash

**9. Alliteration:** When you use words that have the same sound in the beginning.

Example:

"Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers."