

KS3 English Quiz - Words (Alliteration, Simile, Rhyme, Personification) 01 (Questions)

This quiz helps you to revise alliteration (repetition of sounds), simile (like, as), rhyme (word endings sounding similar) and personification (life given to objects).

Literary devices are described as "imagery" because they function to create images in the reader's mind. Some literary devices involve comparing one object to another. Metaphor is when one person, object or situation is said to BE another. Here is one example: "The man is a mountain!" The reader knows the man isn't literally made out of stone, but the metaphor tells us that he is huge and solid. Simile is similar to metaphor, except less direct. A simile compares one thing to another, using words such as "like" or "as as". Here is an example of a simile: "The man is as tall as a mountain", or "The children clambered up the man's arms like mountain goats, until they reached the summit of his shoulders." The children aren't mountain goats, but they climb like them. Similes, as we can see, can be more limited and precise than metaphors.

Personification involves giving human attributes to forces or inanimate objects, as when we think of branches "groaning". And examples of rhyme appear in writing all the time.....

Try to use these devices in your own English writing - they are great for making writing more interesting and enjoyable!

There's no such thing as too much practice, so see if you can get 10 out of 10 in this quiz!

<p>1. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence. The windows of the house stared empty.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Alliteration <input type="checkbox"/> Personification <input type="checkbox"/> Rhyme <input type="checkbox"/> Simile</p>	<p>2. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence. The moon was like a ghostly ship.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Alliteration <input type="checkbox"/> Personification <input type="checkbox"/> Rhyme <input type="checkbox"/> Simile</p>
<p>3. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence. The cold, creeping, crawling fog enveloped him.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Alliteration and personification <input type="checkbox"/> Personification and rhyme <input type="checkbox"/> Rhyme and metaphor <input type="checkbox"/> Simile and personification</p>	<p>4. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence. The lively boat ran merrily over the waves.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Alliteration <input type="checkbox"/> Personification <input type="checkbox"/> Rhyme <input type="checkbox"/> Simile</p>
<p>5. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence. His shout was like the cry of an eagle ready for battle.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Alliteration <input type="checkbox"/> Personification <input type="checkbox"/> Rhyme <input type="checkbox"/> Simile</p>	<p>6. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence. An apple a day keeps colds at bay.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Alliteration and simile <input type="checkbox"/> Personification and rhyme <input type="checkbox"/> Rhyme and alliteration <input type="checkbox"/> Simile and rhyme</p>

7. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence.

The boys bounced in like a herd of elephants.

- Alliteration and personification
- Personification and simile
- Rhyme and simile
- Simile and alliteration

8. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence.

The chair sat sternly, ready to receive its master.

- Alliteration and rhyme
- Personification and alliteration
- Rhyme and simile
- Simile and alliteration

9. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence.

The wiry wool was as white as snow.

- Alliteration and rhyme
- Personification and alliteration
- Rhyme and simile
- Simile and alliteration

10. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence.

The engine leapt into life, its pistons protesting loudly.

- Alliteration and personification
- Alliteration and rhyme
- Rhyme and simile
- Simile and alliteration

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1. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence.

The windows of the house stared empty.

- Alliteration
- Personification
- Rhyme
- Simile

Because "windows" can't really "stare" - people do!

2. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence.

The moon was like a ghostly ship.

- Alliteration
- Personification
- Rhyme
- Simile

The use of the word "like" is the hint that this is a simile

3. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence.

The cold, creeping, crawling fog enveloped him.

- Alliteration and personification
- Personification and rhyme
- Rhyme and metaphor
- Simile and personification

"Cold, creeping, crawling" Alliteration is the repetition of the same sounds

4. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence.

The lively boat ran merrily over the waves.

- Alliteration
- Personification
- Rhyme
- Simile

"Boats" aren't really "lively" or "merry" - people are!

5. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence.

His shout was like the cry of an eagle ready for battle.

- Alliteration
- Personification
- Rhyme
- Simile

Similes often use the word "like"

6. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence.

An apple a day keeps colds at bay.

- Alliteration and simile
- Personification and rhyme
- Rhyme and alliteration
- Simile and rhyme

"Day" and "bay" rhyme. "Keeps" and "colds" alliterate

7. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence.

The boys bounced in like a herd of elephants.

- Alliteration and personification
- Personification and simile
- Rhyme and simile
- Simile and alliteration

"Boys bounced" is an example of alliteration. "Like" is the clue that there is a simile

8. Choose the correct device(s) in the following sentence.

The chair sat sternly, ready to receive its master.

- Alliteration and rhyme
- Personification and alliteration
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People sit, chairs don't! Two lots of alliteration here too ("ready"/"receive" and "sat"/"sternly")

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"As as" indicates a simile. "Wiry", "wool", "was" and "white" alliterate

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People "protest", pistons don't! This is personification