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## Identifying Figurative Language #2

**Directions:** Read the lines of poetry. Slashes represent line breaks. Figure out which technique is being used: simile, metaphor, hyperbole, or personification. In the boxes, explain how you figured out your answer. It is possible that more than one technique is being used. If you can, explain each.

1. My soul has grown deep like rivers.

Which technique is being used?

\_\_\_\_\_  
Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

**How do you figure?**

(write a sentence explaining your answer)

2. Bear in mind / That death is a drum

Which technique is being used?

\_\_\_\_\_  
Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

**How do you figure?**

(write a sentence explaining your answer)

3. It is dreams that have destroyed us.

Which technique is being used?

\_\_\_\_\_  
Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

**How do you figure?**

(write a sentence explaining your answer)

4. Oh, never, if I live to a million, / Shall I feel such a terrible pain.

Which technique is being used?

\_\_\_\_\_  
Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

**How do you figure?**

(write a sentence explaining your answer)

5. He walked as softly as a cat / And told me many lies.

Which technique is being used?

\_\_\_\_\_  
Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

**How do you figure?**

(write a sentence explaining your answer)

6. And then my heart with pleasure fills, / And dances with the daffodils.

Which technique is being used?

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Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

**How do you figure?**

(write a sentence explaining your answer)

7. The Balloons hang on wires / they float their faces on the face of the sky.

Which technique is being used?

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Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

**How do you figure?**

(write a sentence explaining your answer)

8. With processions long and winding / With the countless torches lit

Which technique is being used?

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Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

**How do you figure?**

(write a sentence explaining your answer)

9. My brain is fire--my heart is lead! / Her soul is flint, and what am I?

Which technique is being used?

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Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

**How do you figure?**

(write a sentence explaining your answer)

10. But words is like the spots on dice: no matter how you fumbles 'em, there's times when they just won't come.

Which technique is being used?

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Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

**How do you figure?**

(write a sentence explaining your answer)