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Personification Worksheet 5

Directions: In each sentence, an object or idea is personified. Identify the object or idea that is being personified and explain which human trait or action is applied to the object or idea.

Personification: a figurative language technique where an object or idea is given human traits or characteristics.

1. Dew-drops sing to the garden stones, / The robin chirps in the chinaberry tree
Repeating three clear tones.

What is being personified? _____

Which human trait or quality is given? _____

2. It called me in the sunrise and the dew, / At noon and twilight, sadly, hungrily,
The jealous City, whispering always -- "Home!"

What is being personified? _____

Which human trait or quality is given? _____

3. I thought how she would have cried / For my warm familiar arms
And the sense of me by her side. / The wind was wailing aloud.

What is being personified? _____

Which human trait or quality is given? _____

4. Down by the railroad in a green valley / By dancing water, there he stayed awhile
Singing, and three men with him, listeners,

What is being personified? _____

Which human trait or quality is given? _____

5. Strange little tune so thin and rare / Like scents of roses of long ago,
Quavering lightly upon the strings / Of a violin, and dying there

What is being personified? _____

Which human trait or quality is given? _____

6. Beheld the enchanted island far away--
Half hidden in the twilight low
On the horizon like a lazy cloud,

What is being personified? _____

Which human trait or quality is given? _____

7. Great writhing words as, uttering overmuch,
Stand helplessly before the spirit at bay;

What is being personified? _____

Which human trait or quality is given? _____

8. Picker of buttercups, violets, dandelions
And the big bullying daisies

What is being personified? _____

Which human trait or quality is given? _____

9. A tree bends darkly where the wall looms high;
Its tortured branches, like a grisly hand,
Clutch at the sky.

What is being personified? _____

Which human trait or quality is given? _____

10. Grey towers rise from gloom and underneath--
Black-barred and strong--
The snarling windows guard their ancient wrong;

What is being personified? _____

Which human trait or quality is given? _____