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Identifying Figurative Language from Edgar Allan Poe

Directions: Write which technique is being used on the line. Then, explain how you know your answer.

Answers: Simile, Metaphor, Personification, and Hyperbole

1. Above all was the sense of hearing acute. I heard all things in the heaven and in the earth.

What technique is being used? _____

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?

Explain how you got your answer

2. A single dim ray, like the thread of the spider, shot from out the crevice.

What technique is being used? _____

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?

Explain how you got your answer

3. Yes, he was stone, stone dead.

What technique is being used? _____

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?

Explain how you got your answer

4. Death has reared himself a throne / In a strange city lying alone

What technique is being used? _____

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?

Explain how you got your answer

5. It increased my fury, as the beating of a drum stimulates the soldier into courage.

What technique is being used? _____

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?

Explain how you got your answer

6. *All that we see or seem / Is but a dream within a dream.*

What technique is being used? _____

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?

Explain how you got your answer

7. *The rosemary nods upon the grave; / The lily lolls upon the wave;*

What technique is being used? _____

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?

Explain how you got your answer

8. *The breeze—the breath of God—is still*

What technique is being used? _____

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?

Explain how you got your answer

9. *It was a low, dull, quick sound—much such a sound as a watch makes when enveloped in cotton.*

What technique is being used? _____

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?

Explain how you got your answer

10. *Now each visitor shall confess / The sad valley's restlessness.*

What technique is being used? _____

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?

Explain how you got your answer