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Figurative Language Worksheet 4

**Directions:** Read the lines of poetry. 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. When the wind is low, and the sea is soft,  
   And the far heat-lightning plays

   **Which technique is being used?** ________________________________
   **Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole**

   **How do you figure?**
   (write a sentence explaining your answer)

2. Your beauty was a web of frail delight.

   **Which technique is being used?** ________________________________
   **Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole**

   **How do you figure?**
   (write a sentence explaining your answer)

3. Now that I am without you, all is desolate;  
   All that was once so beautiful is dead.

   **Which technique is being used?** ________________________________
   **Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole**

   **How do you figure?**
   (write a sentence explaining your answer)

4. The little Road says, Go,  
   The little House says, Stay:

   **Which technique is being used?** ________________________________
   **Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole**

   **How do you figure?**
   (write a sentence explaining your answer)

5. I could grow very still  
   Like an old stone on a hill

   **Which technique is being used?** ________________________________
   **Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole**

   **How do you figure?**
   (write a sentence explaining your answer)
6. My heart is but a haughty snail!
Which technique is being used? Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?
(write a sentence explaining your answer)

7. Your kiss lies on my face
   Like the first snow
   Upon a summer place.
Which technique is being used? Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?
(write a sentence explaining your answer)

8. How sweet the sobbing violin!
Which technique is being used? Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?
(write a sentence explaining your answer)

9. An endless quiet valley spreads out
   Past the blue hills into the evening sky;
Which technique is being used? Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?
(write a sentence explaining your answer)

10. His pigtail is long and thick,
    Like a pump-handle stuck on the end of a stick.
Which technique is being used? Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

How do you figure?
(write a sentence explaining your answer)