**Hyperbole and Understatement Worksheet 3**

**Directions:** Read each example. Determine whether each is an instance of hyperbole or understatement. Choose your response and explain what is being understated or hyperbolized.

**Example:** The moon was high, all were sleeping, and the whole world was at peace.

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**I believe this because...**

*The speaker is exaggerating how peaceful things were. Some people had to be awake at that time. Some people were fighting and not at peace.*

1. There were always clouds in that dingy little valley. It rained. It always rained.

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**I believe this because...**

2. The ocean has a decent amount of water in it.

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**I believe this because...**

3. I suppose that getting into a fistfight with the principal was a little bit out of line.

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**I believe this because...**

4. I will run along the endless beach.

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**I believe this because...**
5. Getting hit by a speeding car might leave a mark.

This is an example of... **Hyperbole** / **Understatement**

I believe this because...

6. Well, releasing your attack dogs on those Christmas carolers wasn't the most neighborly thing to do.

This is an example of... **Hyperbole** / **Understatement**

I believe this because...

7. We basked in the everlasting day.

This is an example of... **Hyperbole** / **Understatement**

I believe this because...

8. So maybe jumping out of an airplane without a parachute wasn't the best idea.

This is an example of... **Hyperbole** / **Understatement**

I believe this because...

9. I will touch the stars with my fingers.

This is an example of... **Hyperbole** / **Understatement**

I believe this because...

10. Our math teacher knows a thing or two about arithmetic.

This is an example of... **Hyperbole** / **Understatement**

I believe this because...
11. I guess that getting straight As on your report card is pretty good.
This is an example of... Hyperbole / Understatement

I believe this because...

12. Fruit cannot drop through this thick air.
This is an example of... Hyperbole / Understatement

I believe this because...

13. Everything is still and silent in the afternoon.
This is an example of... Hyperbole / Understatement

I believe this because...

14. I suppose that having trees and plants on our planet is kind of important.
This is an example of... Hyperbole / Understatement

I believe this because...

15. Jan looked at the black, smoldering chunk of charred meat on her plate and said, "Maybe it's a bit overcooked."
This is an example of... Hyperbole / Understatement

I believe this because...
16. My home is a million miles from here.
This is an example of... Hyperbole / Understatement

I believe this because...

17. Launching a rocket into outer space is not that easy.
This is an example of... Hyperbole / Understatement

I believe this because...

18. Jacob wasn't exactly happy to find out that he wouldn't be graduating.
This is an example of... Hyperbole / Understatement

I believe this because...

19. The seasons passed just for her.
This is an example of... Hyperbole / Understatement

I believe this because...

20. Now that she is gone, my friend, the sun will never shine again.
This is an example of... Hyperbole / Understatement

I believe this because...