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Identifying Figurative Language in Lord of the Flies

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

Answers: Simile, Metaphor, Personification, and Hyperbole

Example: "I was the only boy in our school what had asthma," said the fat boy with a touch of pride.

 What technique is being used?
 Personification

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole
 Personification

Explain how you know:

Pride can't touch, but people can, so this is personification.

1. Within the irregular arc of coral the lagoon was still as a mountain lake.

What technique is being used? _____

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole Explain how you know:

2. The palms that still stood made a green roof.

What technique is being used?

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

3. The incredible pool was only invaded by the sea at high tide.

 What technique is being used?

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

4. He turned over, holding his nose, and a golden light danced and shattered just over his face.

 What technique is being used?

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

5. Ralph paddled backwards, immersed his mouth and blew a jet of water into the air.

What technique is being used?

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

6. "We've got to make smoke up there--or die."

What technique is being used?

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole Explain how you know:

7. His ordinary voice sounded like a whisper after the harsh note of the conch.

 What technique is being used?

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

8. When these breezes reached the platform the palm fronds would whisper.

 What technique is being used?

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

9. This toy of voting was almost as pleasing as the conch.

What technique is being used?

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

10. The rock was as large as a small motor car.

What technique is being used?

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

11. "If Jack were leader, it would be all hunting all of the time."

 What technique is being used?

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

12. His face puckered, the tears leapt from his eyes.

 What technique is being used?

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

13. The smoke was a tight little knot on the horizon and was uncoiling slowly.

 What technique is being used?

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

14. This choir perched like black birds on the criss-cross trunks and examined Ralph with interest.

 What technique is being used?

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

15. The great rock loitered, poised on one toe, decided not to return, moved through the air, fell.

 What technique is being used?

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

16. Piggy stood and the rose of embarrassment faded slowly from his cheeks.

What technique is being used?

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

17. Every point of the mountain held up trees--flowers and trees.

What technique is being used?

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

18. There was another island; a rock, almost detached, standing like a fort.

What technique is being used?

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

19. As the echoes died away so did the laughter.

 What technique is being used?

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

20. He noticed how the folds of his shirt were stiff like cardboard.

 What technique is being used?

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

21. A flurry of wind made the palms talk and the noise seemed very loud now.

 What technique is being used?

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

22. It seemed there were more littleuns then could be counted and Piggy was soon overwhelmed.

 What technique is being used?

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

23. Ralph dropped words like heavy round stones among the little groups that crouched or squatted.

What technique is being used?

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

24. The afternoon sun emptied down invisible arrows.

 What technique is being used?

 Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

25. At midday the sun was an angry eye.

What technique is being used?

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole

Explain how you know:

26. The forest stirred, roared, flailed.

What technique is being used?

Simile, Metaphor, Personification, or Hyperbole