Personification Worksheet 3

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. As Vince attempted to park in the crowded lot, his truck kissed the bumper of an Impala.
   
   What is being personified? _______________________________________________________________
   
   Which human trait or quality is given? ______________________________________________________

2. The crops begged for water but the drought continued long into the summer months.
   
   What is being personified? _______________________________________________________________
   
   Which human trait or quality is given? ______________________________________________________

3. The moon shone on the still waters of the lake and the lonely pier rotted in the seaweed.
   
   What is being personified? _______________________________________________________________
   
   Which human trait or quality is given? ______________________________________________________

4. When Michael made a shot without hitting the rim, the net shushed his rivals.
   
   What is being personified? _______________________________________________________________
   
   Which human trait or quality is given? ______________________________________________________

5. Bobby couldn’t take his mind off of chess; the game spoke to him night and day.
   
   What is being personified? _______________________________________________________________
   
   Which human trait or quality is given? ______________________________________________________
6. He pounded his fist against the cruel bricks of the cell and hopelessly tugged on the cold steel bars until he exhausted himself.

What is being personified? ________________________________________________________________
Which human trait or quality is given? ______________________________________________________

7. It seemed like Bob was married to his job and that dealing with his wife, Anne, was just a tiresome chore.

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Which human trait or quality is given? ______________________________________________________

8. All of her life, Margaret wanted to be rich. She longed to know the comfort of having others wait on her. When she grew up and got married, greed came knocking on the door of her new home. Margaret always wanted more, always looked elsewhere.

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Which human trait or quality is given? ______________________________________________________

9. Terry the bricklayer was as big as an ox. His arms were as large around as barrels of beer, and Terry was always in a good mood. Why wouldn't he be? Terry was a master of his craft and he lived in a time that needed bricklayers.

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Which human trait or quality is given? ______________________________________________________

10. The darkness of the night taunted Veronica as she walked home late from soccer practice. She heard a dog barking and a flock of crows flew from a bramble of bushes. A man coughed in the distance. Her heart beat faster as she saw headlights in the far distance.

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