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## Poetry Quiz

**Directions:** Read the following examples of figurative language. Identify the poetic device being used. Write the letter of your answer on the line to the right.

1. "He leans to spit his pear. Being gone, it can't reveal the joy of leaving. But it does."  
a. simile      b. alliteration      c. onomatopoeia      d. personification      1 \_\_\_\_\_
2. "Chicago is a city that is fierce as a dog with tongue lapping for action."  
a. enjambment      b. metaphor      c. simile      d. onomatopoeia      2 \_\_\_\_\_
3. "We strike straight. We lurk late."  
a. hyperbole      b. alliteration      c. metaphor      d. personification      3 \_\_\_\_\_
4. "Silver bells!... How they tinkle, tinkle, tinkle in the icy air of night."  
a. simile      b. hyperbole      c. onomatopoeia      d. alliteration      4 \_\_\_\_\_
5. "What happens to a dream deferred? Does it dry up like a raisin in the sun?"  
a. simile      b. rhyme      c. repetition      d. metaphor      5 \_\_\_\_\_
6. "I'd rather take baths with a man-eating shark [then do my homework]."  
a. alliteration      b. personification      c. simile      d. hyperbole      6 \_\_\_\_\_
7. "Poets make pets of pretty words."  
a. simile      b. metaphor      c. onomatopoeia      d. enjambment      7 \_\_\_\_\_
8. "His fin [is] like a piece of sheet-iron, three combed and with a knife-edge."  
a. simile      b. metaphor      c. alliteration      d. rhythm      8 \_\_\_\_\_
9. "And I will come again, my love, [even if] it were ten thousand miles."  
a. personification      b. onomatopoeia      c. hyperbole      d. simile      9 \_\_\_\_\_
10. "...women under the gas lamps luring the farm boys."  
a. onomatopoeia      b. hyperbole      c. personification      d. alliteration      10 \_\_\_\_\_