

**Literary Devices**

**Metaphor** – a comparison made by saying one thing **is** another.

Example: He was as good as lightning when he came for the team.

**Metonymy** – a direct comparison or suggestion of similarity that does **not** use the words **like** or **as**.

Example: He did not want to be always **under the gun**, and after I quit for some reason.

**Personification** – assigning human characteristics such as feelings or actions to a non-human object.

Example: The wind **whispering** along the grounds to make a better air with a song.

A. For each of the following examples, identify whether the sentence demonstrates an example of simile, metaphor, personification, or none of them using the lettered options.

- | A. simile | B. metaphor   | C. personification | D. none of them |
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| 1. _____  | I was very self-conscious feeling like I was ugly.  |                    |                 |
| 2. _____  | When I was little, when I was ten, I was like a little angel when I went to church.                 |                    |                 |
| 3. _____  | The way James Cameron's floating palace makes Hollywood dreamers dream.                             |                    |                 |
| 4. _____  | And the shadow of the day will embrace the world in gray.   |                    |                 |
| 5. _____  | Thank you so much for your feedback. You may be promised you're chosen.                             |                    |                 |
| 6. _____  | My teacher's always one that talks back to me.  |                    |                 |
| 7. _____  | The stars whisper, I will be there. You are a dreamer, dream is real – when I get to there.         |                    |                 |
| 8. _____  | I turned your report into I am the day.   |                    |                 |
| 9. _____  | How could you be someone like me? I am the day, I am the day.                                       |                    |                 |
| 10. _____ | Thomas's feeling just about the book is so great, and everyone is trying to feeling.                |                    |                 |
| 11. _____ | Thomas's (he's) always a little, everyone's really, everyone's really, but he's not like any other. |                    |                 |
| 12. _____ | There was a feeling that had come from my own.  |                    |                 |