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Personification

There are two simple ways to create personification. You can give humanization to a nonhuman object, as in “The flowers dance in the wind,” or you can compare parts of the nonhuman objects to parts of the human body: “The tree has branches for arms and leaves for hands.”

1. Here is a list of eight human actions. Add eight more to the list.

Speaks
Works

Sings
Dies

Waltzes
Laughs

Plays
Smiles

2. Think of four objects or living things from nature and use each with four of the human actions from the list above: **Example:** The spring birds chattered.

a. _____ c. _____

b. _____ d. _____

3. Now add a simile after each and you’ll have a line of poetry.

Example: The spring birds chattered like ladies at a tea party.

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

4. Think of two things that can have human parts substituted for their own parts, as in the example of the tree mentioned above. What parts does a clock have that a human body has? Now use the objects you thought of in a line of poetry.

Example: The face of Big Ben watches over the city of London.

a. _____

b. _____
