

Exercise- Figures Of Speech

Identify the figure of speech used in the following sentences.

1. *Let him be rich and weary.*

Paradox

Oxymoron

Hyperbole

2. *So innocent arch, so cunningly simple.*

Antithesis

Oxymoron

metaphor

3. *All the perfumes of Arabia will not sweeten this little hand.*

Hyperbole

Oxymoron

Antithesis

4. *All the world is a stage.*

Metaphor

Paradox

5. *The mountains sing together, the hills rejoice and clap hands.*

Antithesi

Personification

Metaphor

6. *Many are called, but few are chosen.*

Antithesis

Euphemism

Personification

7. *Men may come and men may go, but I go on for ever.*

Oxymoron

Personification

Antithesis

8. *The child is the father of man.*

Epigram

Oxymoron

Simile

9. *Fools rush in where angels fear to tread.*

Irony

Epigram

Alliteration

*10. I desired my dust to be mingled with yours.*

Hyperbole

Epigram

Antithesis

*11. An ambassador is an honest man who lies abroad for the good of his country.*

Euphemism

Pun

Hyperbole

*12. The soldier fights for glory and a shilling a day!*

Climax

Anticlimax

Pun

*13. The righteous shall flourish as the palm tree.*

simile

metaphor

personification

*14. Life is as tedious as a twice-told tale.*

Simile

Metaphor

Hyperbole

15 The camel is the ship of the desert.

Simile

Metaphor

Oxymoron

16. *Variety is the spice of life.*

Simile

Personification

Metaphor

17. Pride goeth forth on horseback, grand and gay.

Oxymoron

Apostrophe

Personification

*18.O Solitude! Where are the charms that sages have seen in thy face?*

Personification

Hyperbole

Apostrophe

*19.Death lays his icy hands on kings.*

Epigram

Apostrophe

Personification

*20. Why, man, if the river were dry, I am able to fill it with tears.*

Apostrophe

Metaphor

Hyperbole

*21.O Hamlet! Thou hast cleft my heart in twain.*

Metaphor

Oxymoron

Hyperbole

*22.Man proposes, God disposes.*

Antithesis

Hyperbole

Oxymoron

23. Many are called, but few are chosen.

Antithesis

Apostrophe

Personification

*24. Here is the smell of blood still; all the perfumes of Arabia will not sweeten this little hand.*

Euphemism

Oxymoron

Hyperbole