

Hyperbole

Hyperbole is an exaggeration used for emphasis or humour.

It is often used to make a certain element of a story seem more interesting.

e.g. *I was bored to tears.*

1. Use the word bank to complete the famous sayings that use **hyperbole** within them.

mountains	army
pin	horse

- a) He'd move _____ for his daughter.
- b) I am so hungry I could eat a _____.
- c) She could hear a _____ drop a mile away.
- d) There's enough food in this cupboard to feed an entire _____.

2. Match the boxes to complete the **hyperbolic** sentences.

This is the worst restaurant

She is running

Your school bag

The day

faster than the wind.

weighs a ton.

in the entire world.

lasted forever.

3. Tick the correct box to show whether the sentence includes a simile or a metaphor.

Saying	Meaning	Picture
My iPad is a million years old.		
I could play on my Xbox forever.		
I'll be there in two seconds!		
I'm so hot I'm going to melt.		
She never stops talking!		

4. Explain why these phrases are figurative and not literal.

a) I haven't seen you for centuries.

b) When your auntie sees what you've done, she's going to kill you!
