

Poetic Terminology Exercise

Name the poetic devices being used. Some lines may contain more than one poetic device.

- 1) All the world's a stage.
- 2) The daffodils nod as she passes by.
- 3) Robert Service writes of strong, silent, souls.
- 4) He has asked that question a thousand times.
- 5) O grave, where is thy victory?
O death, where is thy sting?
- 6) His jokes kill me.
- 7) Hollow men like horses, hot at hand.
- 8) The screaming planes above; the snarling seas below.
- 9) Its back was all humpy and lumpy and dumpy.
- 10) Death whispered in his ear.
- 11) The famous cancer specialist himself died of cancer.
- 12) She wept buckets at her disappointment.
- 13) The violet lifts her calm, blue eye.
- 14) The sea was here, the sea was there, the sea was all around.
- 15) He is a sly old fox.
- 16) The ring of the blacksmith's hammer.
- 17) During his first two weeks in the life-boat there was nothing to see but the sea.
- 18) Life has a loveliness to sell.
- 19) He was a ghost of his former self.
- 20) With woeful waste he scattered destruction.
- 21) O Wild West Wind, thou breath of Autumn's being.
- 22) The wilderness called to him as never before.
- 23) He was as full of faults as an old shoe.
- 24) The murmurous haunt of flies on a summer's eve.
- 25) She sang a sad song of farewell.
- 26) His life is an open book for all to read.
- 27) The very houses seem asleep.