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PERSONIFICATION

There are two simple ways to create personification. You can give a human action to a nonhuman object, as in "The flowers dance in the wind." Or you can compare parts of the nonhuman object 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. Can you list eight more?

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| speaks | sings | waltzes | plays |
| works | dies | laughs | smiles |

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_____	_____	_____	_____

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 body 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. _____
