



Figurative Language:

Adding Music to our Language with **Hyperboles**

Part 1: Underline the hyperbole in each set. If a set does not contain a hyperbole write "no hyperbole" on the line that follows.

1. My mouth is on fire! I need water! I can't believe that I just ate that habanero pepper!

2. "My birthday is *never* going to get here! I think my grandma is going to get me the iPod I asked for, and I think I'm going to die if I have to wait another day!" John bragged to his friends.

3. "Do we *really* have to wait for Karen? It will take her ten years to decide what to wear, and another ten years to put on her makeup!" _____
4. My mom is going to college so that she can earn a teaching degree. She is always studying. I can't wait until she graduates. Then she will be able to spend more time with me.

5. I absolutely, positively hate beets. I wouldn't eat one if my life depended on it!

6. The room was completely silent. No one uttered a word. _____

Part 2: Read the passage. Underline each hyperbole you find in the passage.

Jason knows everything about sports. Ask him any sports-related question, and he will know the correct answer. Also, he is an amazing baseball player. He holds several Little League pitching records. When he bats, he always hits the ball into the next town. Have you ever been in Jason's bedroom? I bet he has about five hundred baseball trophies in there! I predict that someday he is going to be a pitcher in the Major Leagues!

Part 3: Write your own hyperboles.

1. She reads all the time! I bet she reads _____ books a week!
(number)
2. _____ never stops _____.
(name) (verb that ends in -ing)
3. I could _____ forever.
(verb)
4. _____
5. _____