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Possible Answers



Hip-Hop Hyperbole



A **hyperbole** (hy-PER-buh-lee) is a an exaggeration so dramatic that it is obviously not true. Many singers and songwriters use hyperboles in their music to make a point or create a vivid image.

Directions: Look at the examples of hyperboles below and explain the figurative meaning of each hyperbole. Then, listen for an example of hyperbole in your favorite song.

Example: I'm so tired I could sleep for a month. → I'm really tired and I want to take a long rest.

<p>1. I cried like a baby during the movie.</p> <p>The movie is sad.</p>	<p>2. Your smile is so bright it could light up a room.</p> <p>You have a nice smile.</p>	<p>3. This store is so busy, I'll be waiting in line forever.</p> <p>The line is long.</p>
<p>4. He is eating so much, it's like he is a bottomless pit.</p> <p>He doesn't seem to be getting full.</p>	<p>5. I'll love you until the stars fall from the sky.</p> <p>I'll love you for a long time.</p>	<p>6. I'm so sad I'm drowning in my own tears.</p> <p>I'm really sad and I'm crying.</p>
<p>7. Don't bother me. I have a million things to do.</p> <p>I'm busy.</p>	<p>8. That guy is so skinny that his pajamas only have one stripe.</p> <p>He's quite thin.</p>	<p>9. I can smell my mom's cookies from a mile away.</p> <p>The cookies have a strong odor.</p>

10. Find an example of hyperbole in a song. **Answers will vary.**

Song title: _____ Artist: _____

What does it say? _____

What does it mean? _____
