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## Sample Answers

# Write Your Own Hyperboles

A **hyperbole** (hy-PER-buh-lee) is an exaggeration so dramatic that it is obviously not true. It is used as a figure of speech in writing to make a point or create a vivid image. In this exercise you'll try writing your own hyperboles, so it's time to get creative!

**Example:** She was so startled, she jumped ten feet high.

**Directions:** Replace the word in the parentheses with a hyperbole that exaggerates the intended meaning. Write the hyperbole on the answer line.

1. My room is (messy) a pig pen.
2. My teacher is (nice) an angel.
3. The sun is (bright) blinding me.
4. The bus is (slow) so slow, a turtle could pass it.
5. The classroom is (hot) so hot, I'm melting.
6. My lunch is (gross) so gross, it's making me sick.

**Directions:** Add an exaggerated phrase to complete each sentence and turn these ordinary statements into hyperbole.

1. I'm so tired, I could sleep for a hundred years.
2. My backpack is so heavy, it feels like I'm carrying a ton of bricks.
3. When I'm scared, I run faster than a cheetah.
4. This car ride is so long, it feels like we've been driving for an eternity.
5. My parents are going to be so mad, they'll ground me until I'm 30.
6. My homework is so hard, I've been working on it for ages.
7. I am so hungry, I could eat a horse.
8. When I am sad, I cry a river of tears.