

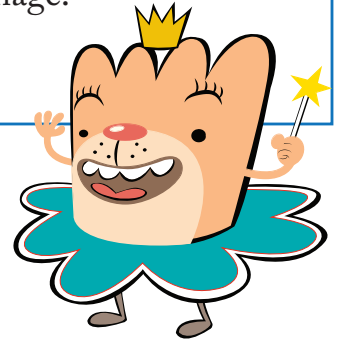
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## Having Fun with Hyperbole

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.

Example: I'm so hungry I could eat a horse!



★ Connect the phrase on the left with its corresponding hyperbole.

1. The dirty dishes \_\_\_\_\_ you could see it from a mile away.
2. My suitcase weighs \_\_\_\_\_ an eternity.
3. The students put in \_\_\_\_\_ mountain of homework he had to complete.
4. Josh had a \_\_\_\_\_ were stacked a hundred feet high.
5. Shanelle had a smile so big that \_\_\_\_\_ a ton.
6. I haven't seen my Aunt Jana \_\_\_\_\_ in ages.
7. The teacher talked for \_\_\_\_\_ 110% of their effort during the final exam.

★ Replace the words in parentheses with a hyperbole. Write the hyperbole on the answer line.

8. The drive home (took a long time) \_\_\_\_\_ .
9. The building is (tall) \_\_\_\_\_ .
10. My bedroom is (dirty) \_\_\_\_\_ .

★ Think About the Definition

Why does the word, **hyperbole**, come from the Greek word 'hyperbol' , meaning: excess, exaggeration, or throwing beyond?

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