Name _________________________________  Period _________

**Literary device practice (1)**

Matching:

1. ___ simile  
   A. inanimate objects taking on human characteristics

2. ___ metaphor  
   B. words that imitate a sound

3. ___ alliteration  
   C. comparing 2 unlike things using like or as

4. ___ hyperbole  
   D. an exaggeration

5. ___ onomatopoeia  
   E. a description emphasizing one or more of the 5 senses

6. ___ personification  
   F. comparing 2 unlike things

7. ___ idiom  
   G. several words in a row whose first consonant sound is repeated

8. ___ imagery  
   H. a saying, that if taken literally, makes no sense

9. ___ oxymoron  
   I. opposite words put together to form a unique meaning

Name the device for each example below:

10. ___________ Ann is a walking encyclopedia.

11. ___________ You’ll catch a cold that way.

12. ___________ The wind moaned outside the window.

13. ___________ The traffic was heavy.

14. ___________ Henry waddled like a duck as he walked onto the field

15. ___________ Six silly sisters all saw the swan.

16. ___________ “Meow,” the cat announced as he entered the room.

17. ___________ The dark night seemed to whisper its secrets to the forest people.

18. ___________ The darkness was filled with a cold so bitter it seemed to freeze the air.

19. ___________ I’m so hungry I could eat a horse.

20. ___________ His pointed nose, red eyes, and thin colorless lips scared the child.

21. ___________ I’m a chicken when it comes to getting an injection.

22. ___________ There was a deafening silence in the crowd.