GRADE 8

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Why Learn with Brighterly?



- Read each passage carefully. Identify the personification and answer the question that follows.
- Q1: As the storm clouds gathered, the angry sky growled in protest. Lightning flashed as if the heavens were furious, and the wind howled through the trees. What is being personified?
- A. The trees
- B. The wind and sky
- C. The lightning
- D. The rain
- Q2: The old house stood proudly on the hill, its windows staring blankly at the valley below. At night, the creaking doors whispered secrets to the wind. What human quality is given to the house?
- A. Cooking
- B. Staring and whispering
- C. Sleeping

- D. Laughing
- Q3: As the morning sun rose, its golden arms stretched across the meadow, waking the flowers from their nightly sleep. The petals slowly opened as though responding to the sun's gentle touch. What does this personification suggest about the sun?
- A. It is angry and fierce.
- **B.** It acts like a caretaker, waking the flowers.
- C. It is too far to reach the flowers.
- D. It is weak and tired.

- Q4: The river raced through the valley, eager to reach the sea. Along its way, it shoved aside rocks and trees, never stopping to rest. Which word best describes the river's human quality?
- A. Hungry
- B. Gentle
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- B. The students
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- A. Protectors
- B. Enemies
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