



Subject: Grade 4 English

Topic: Figures of speech - Similes, metaphors, alliteration, rhythm, rhyme

Total: 33 Marks

1. mud | crystal 4 marks

Explanation:

As clear as mud: it is not clear at all, but difficult to understand.

As clear as crystal: it is easy to see and easy to understand.

2. B: "knee" and "silently" 4 marks

Explanation:

Knee and **silently** end with the same sound. They are rhyming words (the ee-sound).

3. C: My mom is a busy bee 4 marks

Explanation:

The metaphor is "my mom is a busy bee" because it gives the two things that are being compared and shows that they both share the quality of being busy.

4. full 3 marks

Explanation:

This means that I am too busy to take on any more work or responsibilities.

5. true 3 marks

Explanation:

Both words end with the same sound.

6. thin 2 marks

Explanation:

Someone who is as thin as a rake is **very** thin.

7. C: Lelandi is lazy. 4 marks

Explanation:

A couch potato is someone who is lazy and inactive, and who watches a lot of television.

8. bee

2 marks

Explanation:

Bees are very busy making honey during the day.

This simile means to be very busy or active.

9. daisy

3 marks

Explanation:

A daisy closes at night and opens in the morning. It is 'well rested'.

Thandi is well rested and full of energy for the day.

10. a simile | a metaphor

4 marks

Explanation:

The two girls' fighting is being compared to the fighting between a cat and a dog, **Like** is the key word telling us that the figure of speech is a simile.

When you hit a brick wall, you cannot make any progress.

The teacher cannot make any progress with the girls.

This figure of speech is called a metaphor.

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