

EXHIBIT 5.11. Figurative Language Data Set

1. I was as quiet as a mouse so I wouldn't wake up my little sister.
2. My alarm clock screamed at me to wake up.
3. The girl's soft voice was music to his ears.
4. The fog wrapped us in a blanket of cool mist.
5. Our car was a hot, dry desert when the air conditioner broke.
6. The medicine my mom gave me for my upset stomach was as pink as a flamingo.
7. The moon was playing hide-and-seek among the clouds in the night sky.
8. Juan's new shoes were as white as my grandma's hair.
9. Her eyes sparkled like diamonds when she looked at me.
10. Drew was a wall, deflecting every shot on goal made by the other team.
11. The tall trees shivered in the cold wind.
12. Sitting in my English class and listening to the teacher was as boring as watching paint dry.
13. My best friend was a potato chip about to be crushed by the group of boys approaching him.
14. The boys on the opposing basketball team were as tall as redwood trees!
15. The raindrops danced across the windowpane.
16. The frozen lake was a smooth glass mirror.
17. The warm sun greeted me as I stepped outside onto the front porch.
18. The trees were a huge, green umbrella shielding the road from the rain.

Note: The Answer Key is below. Teachers may or may not want to give it to students after they complete their own categories.

Categorized Similes

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- 12.** Sitting in my English class and listening to the teacher was as boring as watching paint dry.
- 14.** The boys on the opposing basketball team were as tall as redwood trees!

Categorized Metaphors

- 3.** The girl's soft voice was music to his ears.
- 5.** Our car was a hot, dry desert when the air conditioner broke.
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Categorized Personification

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