Hyperbole (pronounced: hy-PER-bol-ee) is a exaggerated phrase used in writing that is not meant to be taken literally.

Welcome to our restaurant
Where everything's gigantic.
A hundred waiters hold one dish.
Our kitchen can get frantic.
Our soup is deeper than the sea.
Our noodles stretch a mile.
The bread is longer than a train.

We hope you'll visit soon.
Hyperbole

Write a sentence that uses hyperbole to describe each item below.

**Example:** a quick runner

James runs faster than a speeding bullet.

1. a large pile of snow

2. a heavy math book

3. a deep puddle of water

4. a tall boy

5. a quiet girl

Please log in or register to download the printable version of this worksheet.
Tell whether each sentence uses hyperbole. Write “hyperbole” or “not hyperbole” on each line.

1. James is growing so fast, soon he'll be taller than the trees.  
   Hyperbole

2. My backpack weighed a ton.  
   Hyperbole

3. It is raining extremely hard outside.  
   Hyperbole

4. I am so tired I could sleep for a year.  
   Hyperbole

5. Megan is the best speller in the class.  
   Not hyperbole

Rewrite each sentence. Add hyperbole to your new sentence.

6. It is freezing cold outside.  
   Hyperbole: It is freezing cold outside.

7. The living room in our house is very small.  
   Hyperbole: The living room in our house is so small that it feels like a tiny box.

8. Cara is a very smart girl.  
   Hyperbole: Cara is a genius, with a mind that's as sharp as a razor.

PREVIEW

Please log in or register to download the printable version of this worksheet.