Hyperbole is a type of figurative language that is used in poetry or nonfiction writing using exaggerations to make writing more interesting although it is clearly not true.

Comedians also use it to make jokes...

In the following sentences, <u>underline</u> the hyperbole and write what it means on the line underneath.

- 1. My sister uses so much makeup that she broke the chisel trying to get it off last night.
- 2. My teacher is so old, he remembers when the dinosaurs died
- 3. My dog is so ugly, we have to pay the fleas to live on him.
- 4. The town I grew up in is so isolated, it makes ghost towns look popular.
- 5. My best friend is so forgetful, I have to remind her what her name is.
- 6. Your sister's so skinny, she has to run around in the shower to get wet.
- 7. The Statue of Liberty is so big, when I looked up, I almost got whiplash.
- 8. I think of you a million times a day.
- 9.. This town is so small, you had better not blink or you will miss seeing it
- 10. The test was so hard, when I finished it, I was 100 years old.

| HYPERBOLE: - Complete the following sentence stems to create a new hyperbole. |
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| 1. My sister uses so much makeup |
| 2. My teacher is so old |
| 3. My dog is so ugly, |
| 4. The town I grew up in was so small, |
| 5. My aunt is so skinny |
| 6. My cousin is so |
| 7. My friend was so honest |
| 8. Susie gets so many phone calls |
| 9. My house is so large, |
| 10. It was so hot |
| 11. It was so cold last winter, |
| 12. My car is so old |
| 13 Saskatchewan is so flat |

- 14. My principal is so smart....
- 15. My brother is so bad...

18. My principal is so smart....

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Hyperbole

Hyperbole is a figure of speech that is an exaggeration.

People often use expressions such as:

- o "I nearly died laughing"
- o "I was hopping mad"
- o "I tried a thousand times"

Such statements are not literally true, but people make them to sound impressive or to emphasize something, such as a feeling, effort, or reaction.

Below, write an example of hyperbole to describe each of the following. The first one has been done for you as an example.

1. Someone who is really large:

When he walked down the street, a shadow covered the entire park, bricks fell from the buildings, and small children ran for cover.

- 2. Someone who is really beautiful:
- 3. Someone who is really tired:
- 4. Someone who is really full (from Thanksgiving dinner,
 maybe?):
- 5. Someone who is really smart: