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Personification and Imagery

Adding meaning to nonliving or nonhuman objects is called **personification**.

The nonliving objects in the sentences below (**car, cloud, storm**) have been given human qualities (**groaned, scattered, slept**).

"The ancient **car groaned** into third gear."

"The **cloud scattered** rain throughout the city."

"The tropical **storm slept** for two days."

Personify the following sentences. Change the words in parentheses to words that would describe a human's actions. Re-write the sentence on the lines provided. Use the word bank if you are unable to think of your own actions.

yelled
screeched

dove
jumped

sang
woke up

argued
ate

bit
looked out at

1. My window (faced) the backyard.

2. The puppy (barked) when I left for school.

3. When I grabbed the knife, it accidentally (cut) me.

4. The flashlight (went on) after the electricity went out.

5. The plate broke as it (fell) to the floor.

6. The CD player (made a noise) when it turned on.

Turn this paper over. On the back write 4-5 sentences describing your kitchen at home using the most imagery and vivid language you can. Use the questions provided in the Personification/Imagery section of the WebQuest to help you think of details.