

Name _____ **Hyperbole**

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A **hyperbole** is an over-exaggeration in order to emphasize something.
For example:

John washed his hands so thoroughly he took off a layer of skin.

This example emphasizes how thoroughly John washed his hands.

DIRECTIONS: Underline the hyperbole in each sentence.

1. Apparently, the dog expected me to rub his belly continuously until the end of the week.
2. That movie was so long that I grew a beard while watching it.
3. I am so busy that I'm not going to have a free weekend till the next millennium.
4. The house had as much square footage as a football field.
5. There were so many packages in the house on Christmas morning that the children had to open them out in the yard.
6. It's so cold outside that the icicles are wearing sweaters.
7. She's so fast, she outran the commuter train this morning.