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6.	The Moon by Night		Literature			



30. Diving In

by Margaret Hockett

I was standing before the lifelike painting of Phineus McGee fighting his battle at Pirate Cove. **I could almost smell the sea and hear the cry of seagulls as I ran my finger over the white of his billowing sleeve.** Out of that sleeve grew a sword, its edge gleaming in the sunlight. The opponent had a toothless grin and was about to plunge his sword into Phineus. My sense of justice (not to mention adventure) demanded that I join the battle! I would dive into the scene and fight as Phineus.



Here's the thing about picture diving (a little-known art from the West Indies): you have to be confident. You stand back, focus on your target, and run. Diving into a specific *character* requires precision. I stood back, took aim, and ran.

"Arrrgh!" Red Rooster grunted in surprise. I had blocked his thrust so that his sword clattered to the deck. His hair matted with sweat as he dodged my own thrust and wrestled me for my sword. I summoned Phineus' strength as I cried, "I'll rip ya limb from limb, scurvy dog!" The stench of Rooster's fetid breath gave me extra willpower, and I shook him off. I staggered back and

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1. The bolded sentence gives an example of which literary device?

- A. symbolism
- B. metaphor
- C. foreshadowing
- D. personification

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Correct Answer

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Explanation

The bolded sentence suggests that the narrator feels as if he is in the picture. He smells the sea and hears the seagulls. Later in the story, he actually does enter the painting.



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2	Nonfiction	The Hidden Cost of Buried Treasure	Complete	1	9	9	0	0	0 of 1	1300/1300	100%
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