

# Personification

Personification gives a personal nature or human characteristic to something that is non-human or non-living.

Personification is used in poetry to give greater meaning and description, and it also gives the reader a reference to compare to.

Some examples of personification:

**The teapot sang** as the water boiled.

**The leaves** on the ground **danced** in the wind.

**The alarm clock yelled** at me to get up this morning.

or

Hey Diddle, Diddle  
The cat and the fiddle,  
The cow jumped over the moon;  
The little dog laughed  
To see such sport,  
And the dish ran away with the spoon.

