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Rhetorical Device Obstacle Course

Write a short story about anything you want. However, you will be given specific rhetorical devices to use throughout this story.

Sentences 1, 2, and 3: Use **anaphora** (repeat the same word or phrase at the beginning of each sentence).

Example: "I remember the fields. I remember the sky. I remember the sound of the river."

Sentence 4: Use **hyperbole** (an extreme exaggeration).

Example: "I ran faster than the speed of light."

Sentence 5: Use **personification** (give human traits to something non-human).

Example: "The sun smiled down at me."

Sentence 6: **Allude** to classical mythology (make a quick reference to a Greek or Roman myth).

Example: "Like Odysseus, I wandered far from home."

Sentence 7: Use a **simile** (compare two things using "like" or "as").

Example: "Her laugh was like music floating on the breeze."

Sentence 8: Use **parallel structure** (repeat the same grammatical pattern).

Example: "She loved dancing, hiking, and painting."

Sentence 9: Use **polysyndeton** (use many conjunctions — and, or, but — to slow down the rhythm).

Example: "We ran and jumped and laughed and played all day."

Sentence 10: Use **alliteration** (repeat the same starting sound).

Example: "The wild wind whipped through the willows."