

## Annotation Practice

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Core: \_\_\_\_\_

TIPFEET the following poem to find poetic devices. Then find the literal and figurative main ideas:

### Bat by Unknown

My son is a bat.  
His eyes blink when darkness comes.  
His body stirs with life.  
His limbs gorge with blood  
as he sets out through the cave of night  
his roof the stars  
the moon a big white eye watching.  
Attracted by the false lights  
he mingles with his batty friends  
weaving in and out of nightclubs  
endless parties  
each other's places  
till sensing the sudden ebb  
of darkness  
he flutters home  
a cloaked Dracula  
to the hollow of his room  
where he will sleep all day.

### Poetic Devices

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Literal main idea: \_\_\_\_\_

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Proof: \_\_\_\_\_

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Figurative main idea: \_\_\_\_\_

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Proof: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Directions:** Annotate the following poem using TIPFEET. Then determine the literal and figurative main ideas.

Willow and Ginkgo

By Eve Merriam

The willow is like an etching,  
Fine-lined against the sky.  
The ginkgo is like a crude sketch,  
Hardly worthy to be signed.  
The willow's music is like a soprano,  
Delicate and thin.  
The ginkgo's tune is like a chorus  
With everyone joining in.

The willow is sleek as a velvet-nosed calf;  
The ginkgo is leathery as an old bull.  
The willow's branches are like silken thread;  
The ginkgo's like stubby rough wool.

The willow is like a nymph with streaming hair;  
Wherever it grows, there is green and gold and fair.  
The willow dips to the water,  
Protected and precious, like the king's favorite daughter.

The ginkgo forces its way through gray concrete;  
Like a city child, it grows up in the street.  
Thrust against the metal sky,  
Somehow it survives and even thrives.  
My eyes feast upon the willow,  
But my heart goes to the ginkgo.

Literal main idea: \_\_\_\_\_

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Proof: \_\_\_\_\_

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Figurative main idea: \_\_\_\_\_

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Proof: \_\_\_\_\_

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