

Analysis of Language 9 **Figurative Language**

Imagery

Work with a partner to think about how the writer uses imagery in the excerpt below and then answer the questions that follow.

"Christmas! 'Tis the season for kindling the fire of hospitality in the hall, the genial flame of charity in the heart."

—Washington Irving

- 1) Hi-light the words and phrases that show imagery in the sentence.
- 2) Which words and phrases seem a little strange to you? (How can you figure out what they mean?)

- 3) What is the overall message the writer is trying to tell us?

- 4) Use the format of the sentence and just change some of the words to create your own beautiful sentence. (Enjoy sharing with a classmate!)

“ _____! 'Tis the season for _____ the
_____ of hospitality in the _____, the _____
flame of _____ in the _____.”