O Captain, My Captain! Answer the following questions

1. What does the speaker of the poem identify the Captain as a captain of?

a. a starship b. a naval ship c. a military company d. a military band

2. In what point of view is the poem written?

a. 1st person, present tense

b. 2nd person, past tense

c. 3rd person, future tense

d. 1st person, future tense

3. With what other role does the speaker of them poem explicitly associate the Captain?

a. president b. general c. grandfather d. father

4. What does the speaker of the poem see lying on the deck by the Captain’s corpse?

a. brine b. tears c. ashes d. blood

5. The address “Exult O shores, and ring O bells!” uses what type of figure of speech?

a. onomatopoeia

b. alliteration

c. apostrophe

d. adynation

6. This poem, unusual for Whitman, has a very regular structure of how many stanzas with

how many lines?

a. 3 stanzas, 12 lines

b. 3 stanzas, 3 lines

c. 3 stanzas, 8 lines

d. 3 stanzas of varying lengths

7. What event is not explicitly present in the poem?

a. death b. succession c. victory d. all of the above

8. The repetition of “for you” in the lines “For you bouquets and ribbon'd wreaths – for your

shores a –crowding/ For you they call,” is an example of what figure of speech?

a. anaphora b. alliteration c. apostrophe d. adynation

9. The first 4 lines in all 3 stanzas of the poem do what?

a. They repeat

b. They rhyme

c. They bore

d. All of the above

10. What are the Captain’s last words in the poem?

a. “Last words are for fools who haven’t said enough.”

b. “It doesn’t really matter.”

c. “This is no time for making enemies.”

d. The poem doesn’t say.