

EQ: How do I identify the different types of figurative language?

Metaphor- comparing two nouns that are not alike

Ex. The puppy was a tornado ripping through the garbage.

Simile- using the words "like" or "as" to compare two nouns that are not alike

Ex. My father has a mind like a computer.

Alliteration- the repetition of the same sound at the beginning of words in a line of poetry or in a sentence

Ex. Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers

Onomatopoeia- when a word sounds like the sound it is describing

Ex. Bang!

Hyperbole- an exaggeration that is not meant to be taken seriously

Ex. We had to wait forever!

Personification- assigning human qualities, feelings, or actions to an animal, an object, or an idea

Ex. The mother bear cried for her cub.

Idiom- a word used in a way that is different from its usual or dictionary meaning

Ex. Charlie and John ironed out their problem.

Palindrome- a word, phrase, number, or sentence that can be read the same backwards and forwards

Ex. mom

Pun- a word or phrase used in a way that gives it a funny twist

Ex. That story about rabbits is a real ``hare raiser''.