

What's included?

- ✓ 10 useful figurative language techniques
- ✓ Explanation of technique
- ✓ Engaging review activities
- ✓ Variety of tasks



Figurative Language Name: _____ Date: _____

Metaphor

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Write your favorite metaphor from the list here.



Language techniques.

- ★ Alliteration
- ★ Personification
- ★ Imagery
- ★ Metaphor
- ★ Puns
- ★ Onomatopoeia
- ★ Rhyme
- ★ Idioms
- ★ Similes
- ★ Hyperbole

Figurative language		Idioms	
Name: _____ Date: _____		Name: _____ Date: _____	
IDIOMS Idioms are expressions which use a phrase that doesn't have a literal meaning. Idioms can be		ANSWER THE QUESTIONS TO IDENTIFY IDIOMS What does the idiom "barking up the wrong tree" mean? a) To be chasing after a dog b) To be mistaken or misguided c) To be climbing a tree	
Figurative language Name: _____ Date: _____		Hyperbole Name: _____ Date: _____	
HYPERBOLE Hyperboles are a figurative language technique that is a type of exaggeration. They are used to make writing more dramatic. Which of these sentences uses hyperbole? ☐ The cookie was as big as a house, I could hardly lift it. ☐ The sunset colors made the sky orange and pink. ☐ I've told you a million times to clean your room, but it's still a mess! ☐ The cat was purring softly as it curled up on the windowsill.		FILL IN THE MISSING WORD TO SHOW HYPERBOLE • My backpack weighs a [] with all these books! • I'm so [], I could eat a whole elephant! • I've told you a [] times to clean your room! • This ice cream is so cold, it's [] my brain! • I'm so tired, I feel like I've been running for a [] years! • That playground slide is taller than a [] • My mom bakes cookies that are as big as dinner [] • This line for the roller coaster is longer than a [] tail! • I've got a [] of homework to do tonight! • I laughed so hard, I thought I would [] in half!	



Ways to use this product.

✓ ELA lesson or center

✓ Test preparation

✓ Poetry unit

✓ Intervention or small group work

✓ Writing workshop

✓ Early finisher activity

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Imagery

In poetry and story writing, authors use words to paint pictures. Imagery is a technique that helps the reader to imagine what is being described. Adjectives are important when using imagery.

Match the description to the object.

Sunshine	Merry song
Night	Dazzling colours
Rainbow	Golden beam
Crickets	Shiny black
Butterflies	Dancing wings

DESCRIBE EACH IMAGE USING IDEAS FROM THE POEM

Beneath the moon's soft glow, the owl takes flight,
Its wings spread wide, a ghost in the night.
Silent and swift, it hunts with grace,
In a cloud of darkness, an endless chase.

High in the treetops, the monkeys swing,
Their laughter echoes as a joyous ring,
With tails as flags, they leap and play,
In a canopy world, where they climb and sway.

The tiger prowls with silent paws,
Stripes of fire and eyes looking for more.
In the morning light, it hunts its prey,
A golden ghost in the light of day.

The hummingbird is small and fast in flight,
It sips sweet nectar from flowers with delight.
With wings that blur in a rainbow streak,
It dances through the flowers, a delicate peek.



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alliteration

Alliteration is a popular figurative language technique used in writing and poetry. It is when the first letter of multiple words in a sentence has the same sound.

CRACK THE CODE TO SHOW THE SENTENCES WITH ALLITERATION

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
😊	★	■	○	□	⊗	↑	◀	⊙	⌚	◇	⚡	🌿
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
●	▼	▲	♫	♥	☾	⊗	▩	✕	≡	✱	💧	≡

Which sentences are examples of alliteration?

☐ One wet Wednesday I went wandering.

☐ It is too hot to so I will not do that.

☐ Funny faces and fantastic fun at the fair!

☐ There is a bee in the tree that I can see.



Teach figurative language!

Help students understand language techniques.

Explore and read figurative language in context.

Demonstrate how language devices enhance writing.

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Word Bank

- skyscraper
- mountain
- ton
- hungry
- dragon's
- hundred
- split
- freezing
- million
- plates

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