

Figurative language

is speech or writing that departs from normal meaning or sound to create a special effect.

alliteration • **hyperbole** • **idioms** • **metaphors**
personification • **onomatopoeia** • **similes**

Alliteration

is the repetition of a **sound** in a sentence or series of sentences.



Samantha soared down the street on her sleek skateboard.

Hyperbole

is exaggeration.



The extra-point kick missed by a mile!

An **idiom** is a phrase that means what it means, even if it doesn't make sense.



“You can't teach an old dog new tricks.”

A **metaphor** suggests that two different things are the same thing.



Life is a curly slide, full of twists and turns.

Onomatopoeia

is a word that **sounds like** the noise or action it is describing.



The jet zoomed across the sky.

Personification

makes a non-human thing seem human.



The tree invited us to come and play.

Simile uses “like” or “as” to make a comparison.



The ball streaked across the field like a meteor.