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POETIC DEVICES

Class Discussion

- **What do you think a poetic device is?**
- **Can you name any?**
- **Why do you think a writer would use poetic devices instead of saying things plainly/straightforward?**

Simile

**A comparison of two different
things using 'like' or 'as'**

"They were fighting like cats and dogs"

"He is as busy as a bee"

Further Explanation:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uRgkCqkTHik>

Metaphor

**A direct comparison of two different things
(saying something is something else)**

“That test was a piece of cake”

“Your smile is sunshine”

Further Explanation

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A0edKgLEgM&t=145s>

Imagery

**Using words that appeal to the senses
to create a mental image or feeling**

“The sky was a beautiful, swirling collage of pinks, reds, and oranges.”

“The sticky, sweet scent of cinnamon buns filled her nose”

Further Explanation:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eoNI1Ue5ZtQ>

Personification

**Giving human qualities
to non-human things**

“The flowers danced in the breeze”




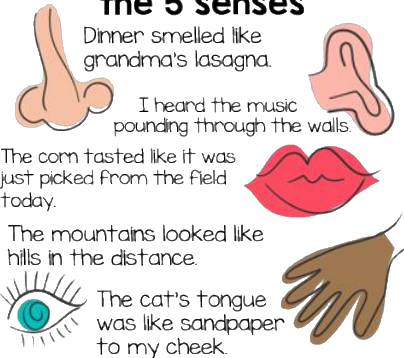
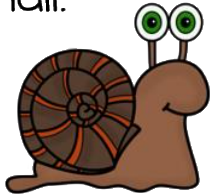


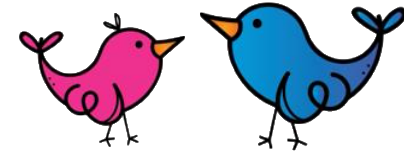

“The last piece of cake was calling my name”

Further Explanation:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YhleJRpyb-Y&t=1s>

Now go back to the document and find the example poems at the bottom. Highlight the poetic devices you find under the category listed!

Elements of POETRY

RHyme Words that end with the same sound  Pen Ten	Rhythm The musical quality or beat One little duck went swimming one day, over the hill and far away. 	Repetition To repeat sounds, words or phrases  Bumble Bee is small. Bumble Bee is kind. Bumble Bee is brave and loves purple flowers. Bumble Bee is my favorite.
Imagery A vivid description using the 5 senses  Dinner smelled like grandma's lasagna. I heard the music pounding through the walls. The corn tasted like it was just picked from the field today. The mountains looked like hills in the distance. The cat's tongue was like sandpaper to my cheek.	Simile Compare 2 things using "like" or "as" He was as slow as a snail. 	Metaphor Compare 2 different things The garden was a rainbow of colors. The flowers were candy to my eyes. 
Alliteration Repeating beginning sounds Four friends found free food! 	Onomatopoeia Sounds like the noise or action  Chirp, chirp, cheep went the birds.	Personification Makes a non-human thing seem human The cat and dog read their book quietly. 

Sharing!!

share some poetic devices you highlighted

Discussion

- **Did any of these devices make the poem you read more engaging or powerful?**
- **Did learning these devices change the way you now read poetry?**
- **Which device are you most likely to try using in your future writing? Why?**