

# Figurative Language (Poetry Techniques)

	definition	Graphic or example
Simile	comparing two different things using the words "like" or "as"	The man was as strong as an ox.
Metaphor	comparing two different things <u>without</u> using the words "like" or "as"	The garden was a rainbow of colors.
Personification	giving human <u>traits</u> or <u>feelings</u> or <u>actions</u> to objects	The happy balloon cheered up the little girl.
Alliteration	words close together that have the same beginning sound	Wet white whales wiggle Billy's bee bites burgers
Onomatopoeia	Words that make a "sound"	boom sizzle crackle
Hyperbole	over- exaggeration	"I'm so hungry I could eat a cow"

