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Figurative language

Simile	Compares two things using 'like' or 'as': as quiet as a mouse.
Metaphor	Says one thing is another to create an image: the classroom was a zoo.
Personification	Gives human qualities to something that is not human: the wind howled.
Alliteration	Repeats a sound at the start of nearby words: slow, silent snow.
Onomatopoeia	A word that sounds like what it describes: crash, fizz, murmur.
Hyperbole	Deliberate exaggeration for effect: I have told you a million times.
Oxymoron	Two opposite ideas side by side: a deafening silence.
Imagery	Language that creates a picture or sensation in the reader's mind.