

Mastering Figurative Language with Pip and Zara

Unlock your imagination and paint pictures with your words!

- A simile compares two different things using the words 'like' or 'as', such as: 'The stars sparkled like diamonds in the velvet sky.'
- A metaphor describes something by saying it IS something else, such as: 'The classroom was a bustling beehive of activity.'
- Personification gives human qualities to non-human things, such as: 'The wind whispered secrets through the ancient oak trees.'
- Hyperbole is an intentional exaggeration used for effect, such as: 'I have told you a million times to tidy your desk!'
- Alliteration is the repetition of the same letter or sound at the start of adjacent words, such as: 'Seven silver snakes slithered slowly.'

Did you know? Did you know? Figurative language doesn't just describe things; it changes how the reader feels about them! By comparing an object to something else or giving it human traits, you turn a simple sentence into a vibrant scene. Pip the caterpillar loves finding these gems in books, while Zara the zebra uses them to create colourful patterns in her poetry.

Key vocabulary: Simile · Metaphor · Personification · Hyperbole · Imagery · Alliteration