


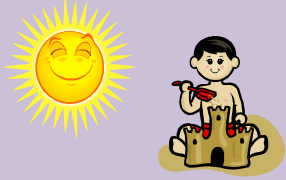


Figurative Language

Figurative language is a way of comparing different and sometimes unrelated objects to bring about a new way of viewing the world. It is important in creative writing to capture the reader's attention, stimulate imaginative thinking, and offer a fresh perspective.

<u>Term</u>	<u>Definition</u>	<u>Example</u>
Hyperbole	Big exaggeration, usually with humor	<p>mile-high ice cream cones</p> 
Idiom	The language peculiar to a group of people	<p>Sing at the top of your lungs</p> 
Metaphor	Comparing two things by using one type of object or using it in place of another to suggest the likeness between them	<p>Her stomach was a bottomless pit</p> 
Personification	Giving something human qualities	<p>The sun smiled down on me</p> 
Simile	Comparing two unlike things that is often introduced by "like" or "as"	<p>His face was as white as a ghost</p> 