

IDENTIFYING FIGURES OF SPEECH

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Figure of Speech and Definition	Example	Examples from Selections
<p>Simile makes a comparison between two unlike things, using an explicit word such as <i>like</i>, <i>as</i>, <i>resembles</i>, or <i>than</i></p>	<p>The moon gleamed luminous <i>as</i> a pearl.</p>	
<p>Metaphor refers to one thing as if it were another unlike thing without the use of <i>like</i>, <i>as</i>, <i>resembles</i>, or <i>than</i></p>	<p>The wheat field <i>was</i> a sea of gold, and I a lonely schooner.</p>	
<p>Personification is a special kind of metaphor in which a nonhuman thing or quality is referred to as if it were human</p>	<p>Every evening, the mimosa tree folds its hands in prayer.</p>	
<p>Symbol is a person, place, or thing that has meaning in itself and also stands for something beyond itself</p>	<p>The lighted candle in the window showed the family's hope that their lost dog would return.</p>	