

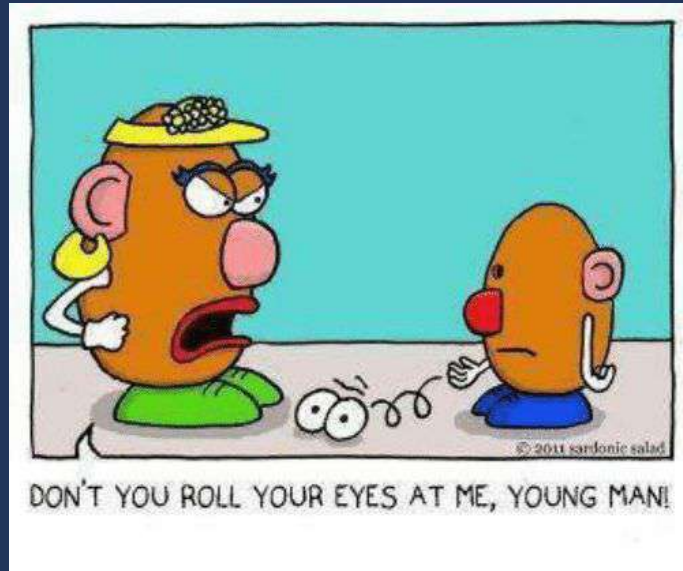
# Week 3

## Literary Devices: Figurative Language

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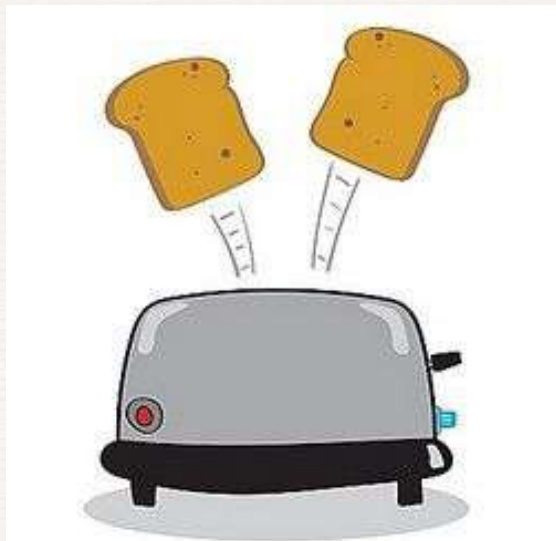
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# Let's Take a Look

## Figurative Language



*The toast jumped out of the toaster.*

Descriptive language that goes beyond the literal meaning.

Used to make comparisons, employ imagination



# The Top 8

There are many kinds of figurative language. Today we will focus on these eight:

- Idiom
- Simile
- Hyperbole
- Alliteration
- Metaphor
- Personification
- Onomatopoeia
- Oxymoron

## I-SHAMPOO

**Idiom:** Saying within a language or culture whose figurative meaning is different from its literal meaning

**Simile:** Comparing dissimilar objects using “like” or “as”

**Hyperbole:** Deliberately overstated or exaggerated claim

**Alliteration:** Repetition of initial consonant sounds with two or more nearby words (tongue twisters)

**Metaphor:** Comparison of two unlike things without “like” or “as” to imply they are identical, not just similar (used to help explain more abstract concepts)

**Personification:** Giving an idea or thing human characteristics and/or feelings

**Onomatopoeia:** Word which mimics the sound it represents

**Oxymoron:** Pairing two words together that are contradictory

More devices and definitions: [Website Link](#)





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**Figurative Language**

Literary Analysis Class

**Idiom**

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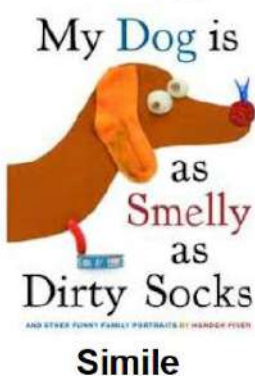
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**Simile**

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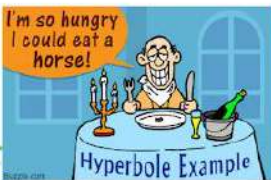
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**Hyperbole**

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**Alliteration**

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## Padlet Assignment

Go to Padlet and post an example of each type of figurative language. Do not post something that has already been used.

[Complete the Padlet by clicking on this link.](#)

Or, scan this QR code:



# How Does This Relate To Literary Analysis?

To write a literary analysis essay, you can take figurative language and make it the topic (thesis) of your writing.

- Discuss the author's use of metaphor to convey the theme.
- Explore the use of personification to develop additional "characters".
- Discuss the use of symbolism and how it reinforces the theme.
- Compare two different stories, find examples of figurative language in each, and explain how they enhance the message the author is trying to convey.

# JOHN COLLIER

- We are going to read a story by John Collier called “The Chaser.”
- Born in 1901 in London, John Collier started writing poetry at age nineteen and was first published in 1920.
- Collier wrote novels, short stories and eventually screenplays, but he was best known for his short stories. He wasn’t widely acclaimed in his native country, but he garnered significant recognition in the USA. His writing has been praised by authors such as Ray Bradbury and Roald Dahl.





Let's read to answer this question...

**Analysis Question:**

What does the dialogue reveal about Alan's motivations for purchasing a love potion?

Use a highlighter to note specific dialogue to help answer this question. Make notes in the margins.

[Story Link PDF](#)

# The Chaser by John Collier

# Literary Analysis: The Chaser

What does the dialogue reveal about Alan's motivation for purchasing a love potion?

## Strategy: CER

- Claim: rewrite the question into a statement
- Evidence: provide quotes to prove the statement
- Reason: explain the quotes and how they prove the claim

Authors employ many tools to reveal a character's thoughts, feelings, and desires. In the story "The Chaser" author John Collier uses dialogue to reveal Norma's motivations for pushing the button.

In speaking to the old man, Alan states that he is in love with Diana, but "she doesn't care about it" and is not in love with him. (pg. 2).

Alan knows the object of his desire doesn't feel the same way about him and that he needs something else to make her fall in love with him the way that he is in love with her. This dialogue is the reason behind Alan's purchase of a love potion.

# The Chaser Discussion Questions

1. Why does the old man refer to the potion as a “glove cleaner”? Why is the glove cleaner/life cleaner more expensive than the love potion?
2. Describe the setting of the story. Why isn't this shop easier to find or more upscale?
3. Why do you think the story is called “The Chaser”?
4. What is the moral dilemma? Is the life the old man describes for Alan and Diana, that of idealized romantic love, the ultimate goal for every couple?

Choose one question.

Write your answer on a separate sheet of paper or open a writing document on your device.

Be prepared to share your answer with the class.

If you have time, answer another question.



# Grammar Fails

## And Other Horrible Insults to the English Language

Each week, we will shame these Darwin winners with their unique understanding of the English language.





Yo

Unsleep me at 6

What?

Unsleep me when it's 6



It's wake me up at 6



I only ate one of these red and white nasty apple tings

Radishes, mike.

Read 7:48 PM

Mini dirt apples



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Hello my name is Paul, I have a PhD in physics and thanks to a random brain freeze forgot the word for photon so had to call it a “shiny crumb” in front of my colleagues 😊

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this being bilingual thing isn't fun anymore, i sat here for a good 5 minutes forgetting how to say the word VACUUM in TWO languages and ended up just googling "blow dryers for floor"

