

LITERARY LYRICS

FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE IN MUSIC PRESENTATION

ALLITERATION

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Yellow diamonds in the light
Now we're standing side by side
As your shadow crosses mine
What it takes to come alive

- *We Found Love* by Rihanna



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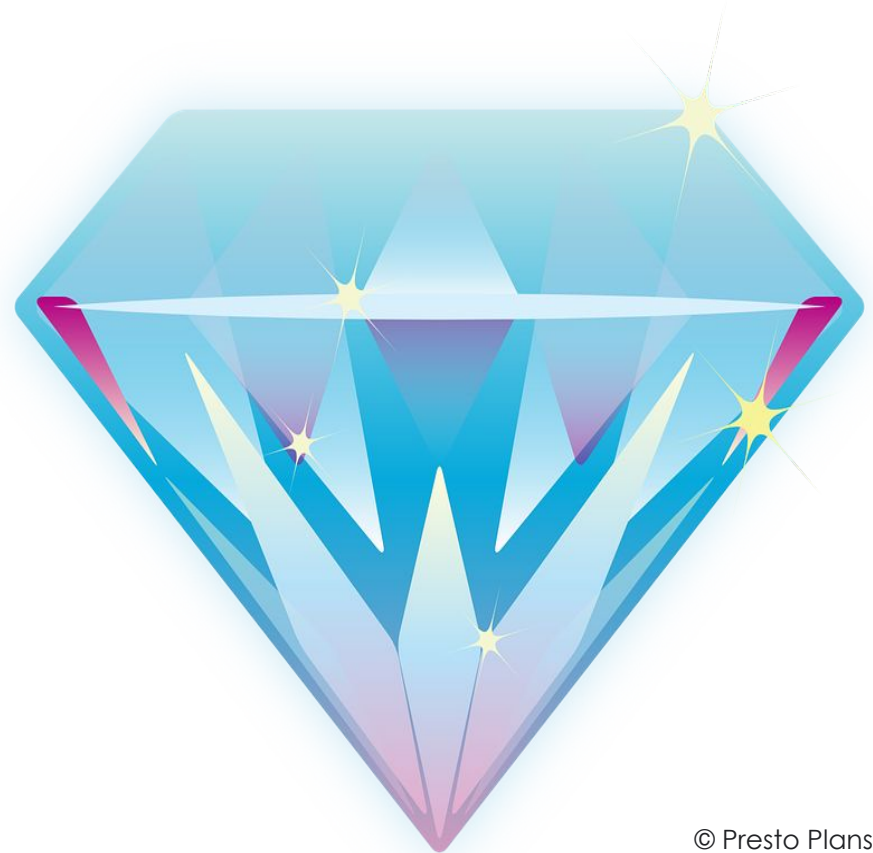


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ASSONANCE

Assonance is the repetition of internal vowel sounds in neighboring words.

I wake up screaming from dreaming
One day I'll watch as you're leaving
And life will lose all its meaning
For the last time

- *Anti-Hero* by Taylor Swift



HYPERBOLE

Hyperbole is an extravagant statement or the use of exaggerated terms for the purpose of emphasis or heightened effect.

I'd catch a grenade for ya
Throw my hand on the blade for ya
I'd jump in front of a train for ya
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- *Grenade* by Bruno Mars

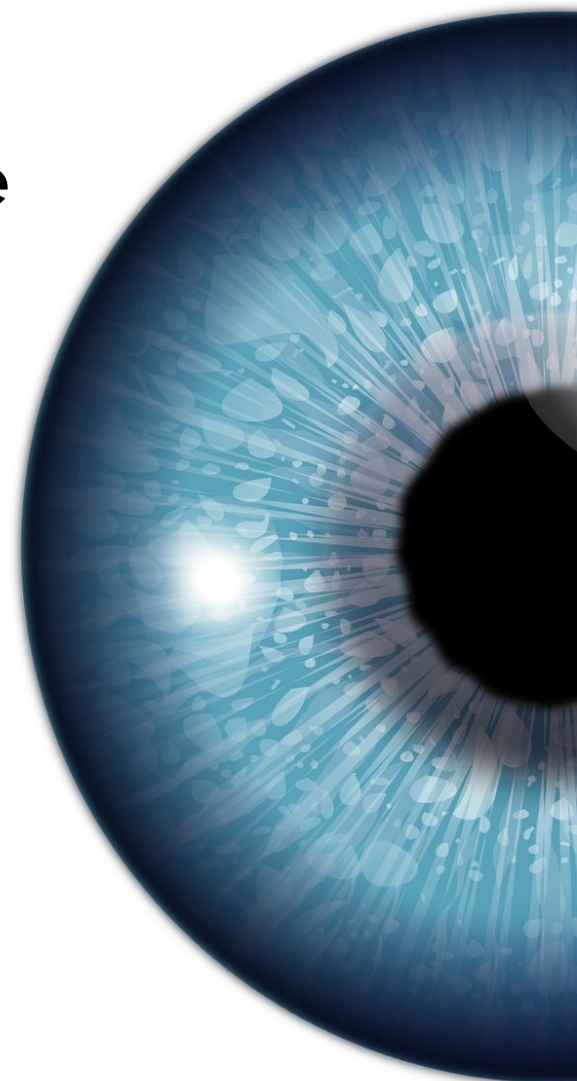


METAPHOR

Metaphor is a direct comparison between two unlike things that have something important in common.

I've been watchin' you for some time
Can't stop starin' at those ocean eyes
Burning cities and napalm skies
Fifteen flares inside those ocean eyes

Ocean Eyes by Billie Eilish



ONOMATOPOEIA

Onomatopoeia is the formation or use of words that imitate the sounds associated with the objects or actions they refer to.

This is getting heavy
Can you hear the bass boom?
I'm ready
Life is sweet as honey
Yeah, this beat cha-ching like money

- *Dynamite* by BTS



OXYMORON

Oxymoron occurs when opposite or contradictory terms appear together.

But I set fire to the rain
Watched it pour
As I touched your face
Well, it burned while I cried
'Cause I heard it
Screaming out your name
Your name

- *Set Fire to the Rain* by Adele



PERSONIFICATION

Personification occurs when inanimate objects are endowed with human qualities or abilities.

The world is beating you down,
I'm around through every mood
You're my downfall, you're my muse
My worst distraction, my rhythm and blues

All of Me by John Legend

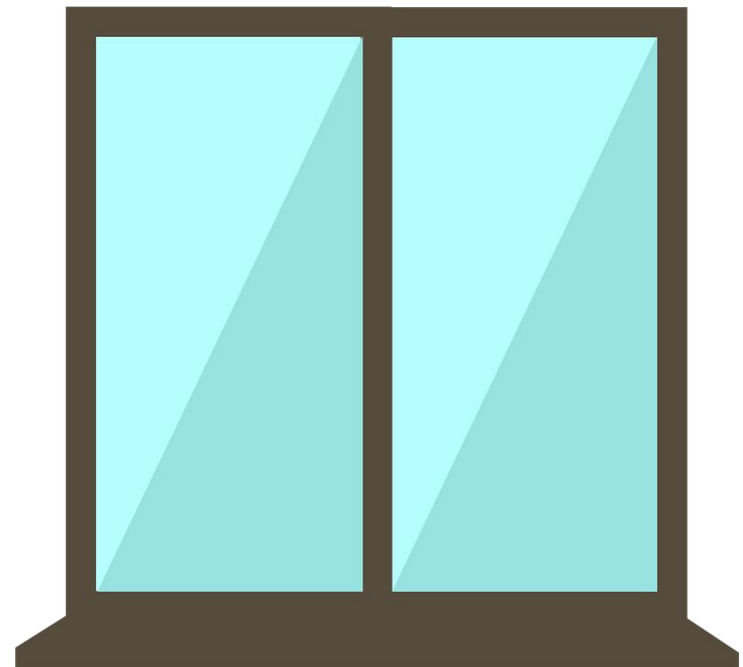


PUN

A pun is a play on words that exploits multiple meanings of a word or similar sounding words.

But you lied again
Now you get to watch her
Leave out the window
Guess that's why they
Call it window pane

- *Love the Way You Lie* by Eminem



IMAGERY

Imagery is language that is vividly descriptive and stimulates the five senses.

Do you ever feel
Like a plastic bag
Drifting through the wind,
Wanting to start again?
Do you ever feel,
Feel so paper thin
Like a house of cards,
One blow from caving in?
Like a lightning bolt,
Your heart will glow
And when it's time you'll know
You just gotta ignite the light

- *Firework* by Katy Perry

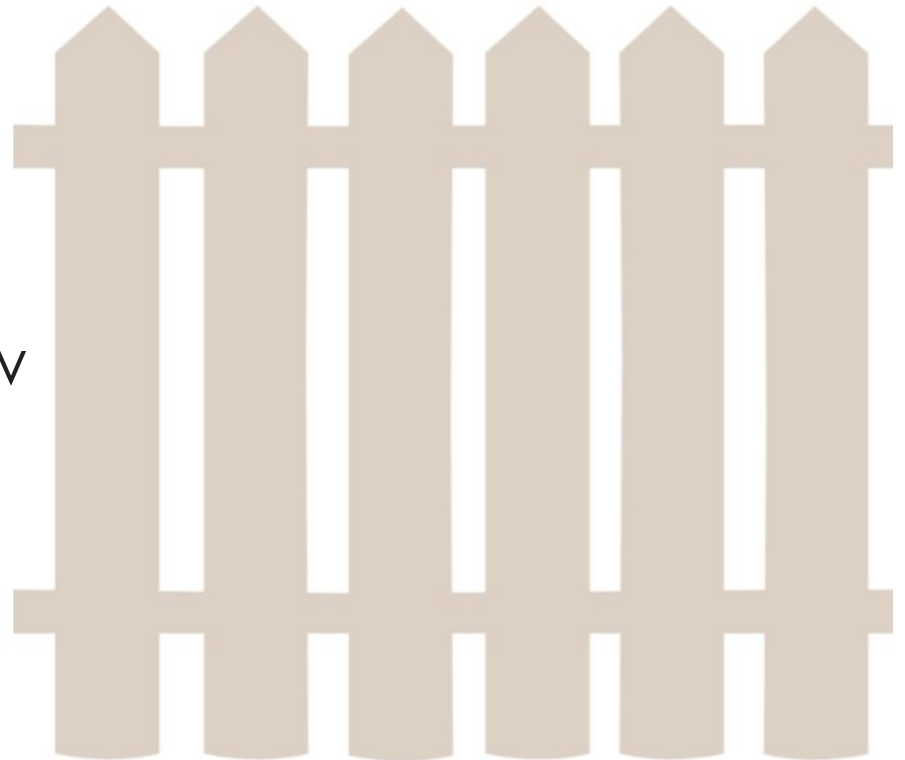


SIMILE

A simile is a stated comparison using *like* or *as* between two dissimilar things that have something in common.

Tension between us
Just like picket fences
You got issues
That I won't mention for now
'Cause we're fallin' apart

- *Passionfruit* by Drake



SYMBOLISM

Symbolism is the use of words, people, actions, objects, or locations to represent an abstract idea outside of its literal meaning.

We call them fools
Who have to dance within the flame
Who chance the sorrow and the shame
That always come with getting burned
But you got to be tough
When consumed by desire
'Cause it's not enough
Just to stand outside the fire

- *Standing Outside the Fire* by Garth Brooks



ASSIGNMENT

Now it's your turn to create a Google Slides Presentation of YOUR OWN SONGS that have the following examples of Figurative Language:

- ALLITERATION
- ASSONANCE
- HYPERBOLE
- METAPHOR
- ONOMATOPOEIA
- OXYMORON
- PERSONIFICATION
- PUN
- IMAGERY
- SIMILE
- SYMBOLISM

ASSIGNMENT

You must include the following:

1. The song title and name of the artist(s)
2. The type of Figurative Language used
3. The lyrics from the song to prove your example of figurative language is correct (it should be in a 4-line stanza)
4. Image(s) to complement each of your songs/slides.

Note: You will be presenting these songs.

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