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Langston Hughes's "Harlem" - Vocab Cards

anaphora]>

repetition of a word or phrase at the beginning of two or more sentences, verses, clauses, etc. for rhetorical effect.

Martin Luther King, Jr. used _anaphora_ in his "I Have a Dream Speech" when he repeated "go back to" six times: "Go back to Mississippi, go back to Alabama, go back to South Carolina, go back to Georgia, go back to Louisiana, go back to the slums and ghettos of our northern cities, knowing that somehow this situation can and will be changed."

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- "I Have a Dream"
by Martin Luther King, Jr.

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defer]>

to put off or delay something for a later time.

Josefina wanted to work at her parents' store after graduating from high school, so she _deferred_ college for a year.

Synonyms: put off, delay



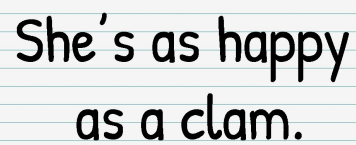
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figurative language]>

language that means something other than its literal meaning and expresses ideas in vivid ways.

Similes and metaphors are examples of _figurative language_, as they do not mean what they literally say, and they make writing more colorful.



She's as happy
as a clam.

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rhetorical device]>

a technique used to make speech or writing more effective or engaging.

To make his speech more persuasive, Bart used the _rhetorical device_ of hyperbole, or exaggeration.



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simile]>

a figure of speech that compares two things using "like" or "as." "She entered the room as quietly as a mouse" is an example.

"Your smile is like the sunlight" is an example of a _simile_.

Synonyms: analogy, metaphor



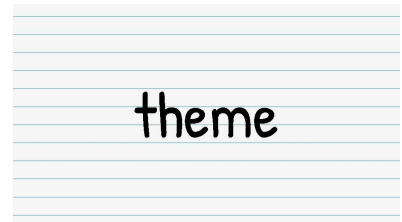
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theme]>

a message about life and human behavior that an author expresses in a text.

The _theme_ of "The Little Engine That Could" is to keep trying, even when things get hard.



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