

# FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE

Definition: Figurative language is a name given to a class of literary conventions that are not meant to be interpreted literally; they are to be interpreted imaginatively.

-It is used to create vivid pictures in the reader's mind in order to make writing emotionally intense.

-It is used to state ideas in new and unusual ways to satisfy the reader's imagination.

Types of Figurative Language:

Simile- a figure of speech that compares two dissimilar things by using the key words "like" or "as"

Example: Her feet felt like ice.

Metaphor- a figure of speech that compares two unlike things describing one as if it were the other

*\*Does not use "like" or "as"*

Example: My brother's room is a pigpen.

Personification- a figure of speech in which human qualities are given to a nonhuman subject

Example: The feather tickled my face.