## ENGLISH LANGUAGE

| DEVICE | DEFINITION | EXAMPLE |  | FULL STOP: Used to end sentences or show an abbreviation. |
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| Simile | comparing something to something else using "like" or "as" | "She shone like the stars, and glistened as brightly as the sun" | - |  |
| Metaphor | a comparison that directly relates a thing to a non-literal thing | "He was a blade of grass rooted expected to be cut" | , | COMMA: Used to indicate as division within a sentence. |
| Sibilance | a series of words that use an '-s' sound | "She sighed; her exhale slipped slowly across her lips" | $\boldsymbol{}$ | APOSTROPHE: To show possession or omission of letters or numbers. |
| Onomatopoeia | a word that sounds like the noise it refers to | "The bomb blast ricocheted shattered glasses through the city" | 1 | EXCLAMATION MARK: To show surprise, strong emotion, or pain. |
| Imagery | Using language that links to your sense to make a descriptive real to the reader. | "The petrichor wafted on the golden spring dusk." | $?$ | QUESTION MARK: Used to indicate a question. |
| Idiom | A saying that only makes sense through shared cultural understanding. | "Not my circus, not my monkeys" | ? | indicate a question. <br> COLON: used to precede a list of |
| Personification | giving human characteristics to inanimate objects | "The tree stood proud in the field, leader of flora and fauna." | : | items, a quotation, or statement. |
| Repetition | use of a repeated word or phrase | "The clock ticked, ticked, ticked." |  | fa |
| Symbolism | using an object, colour or image to represent a larger idea | "She was green with envy" | ; | conjunction in a sentence or in a detailed list. |
| Allusion | a reference to a well-known or popular cultural element | "To my dog, the local park is the Garden of Eden" | - | DASH: To add additional informal information to a sentence. |
| Pathetic Fallacy | when elements of nature mirror human emotion | "The drizzle soaked them as they stood gathered around the grave." | $()$ | BRACKETS: To add less important information to sentence. |
| Oxymoron | words that mean the opposite placed next to each other | "The situation was bittersweet." |  |  |
| Antithesis | two opposing ideas contrasted against each other | "Hope for the best; prepare for the worst." |  | ELLIPSIS: Used to show omission of whole words. |

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