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| **What is…Figurative Language?** |
| **When words or ideas mean something different than the literal meaning** |
| **Symbolism**  | **using an object or a word to represent an abstract idea** | **The turtle holds the world on its back**  |
| Simile  | A Comparison of two unlike things using like or as  | My brother are as loud as banging drums.  |
| Metaphor  | A comparison of two unlike things that says one thing is another | The new baby was a bundle of joy. |
| Hyperbole  | An exaggeration that can’t possibly be true. | I walked a million miles to school.  |
| **Personification** | **Giving human qualities to nonhuman things**  | **“The Muskrat stepped forward and said, “I’ll try.”** |
| Alliteration  | The repetition of the same initial consonant sound  | The winding wind whirled and whooshed  |
| Onomatopoeia  | Words whose sounds suggest their meanings  | The rain crashed down.  |
| **Imagery**  | **Pictures in the mind created by words; things imagined by the****reader through the senses** | **“I’ll use my back to bear the weight of the Earth.”** |
| Myth  | Legend or story about events in the supernatural world. | How the Bear Lost it’s Tail. |