

Schemes: *figures of speech involving a deviation in order*

Alliteration: repetition of the same initial consonant sounds in words near each other

Anaphora: repetition of a word or words at the *beginning* of successive phrases

Antithesis: juxtaposition of contrasting ideas

Asyndeton: omission of conjunctions

(**Polysyndeton:** repetition of conjunctions in close succession)

Climax: an order of increasing importance

Epistrophe: repetition of the same word or words at the *ends* of successive phrases

Parallelism: a similar grammatical structure in successive words, phrases, or clauses

Parenthesis: a word, phrase, or clause inserted into a sentence as an explanation or afterthought

Tropes: *figures of speech involving a deviation in meaning*

Hyperbole: exaggeration used for emphasis

Irony: use of language to convey a meaning opposite to its literal meaning

Metaphor: an implied comparison

Oxymoron: a self-contradictory phrase

Paradox: a seemingly contradictory statement that may indeed be true

Personification: a representation of an abstraction or inanimate object as if it were human

Rhetorical question: the asking of a question for the purpose of making a point

Simile: an explicit comparison