

GLE R4.5 Analyze the rules (conventions) of the four genres of fiction (short story, drama, novel, poetry) and the techniques used in these genres, and evaluate the effects of these conventions and techniques on the audience.

4.5.2 (10th Grade) Analyzing the use of literary devices appropriate to genre (i.e. dialogue, simile, metaphor, personification, foreshadowing, time sequence, imagery, or repetition, allusion or symbolism) to analyze literary works.

Directions: Identify the type of each literary device used below. Use the term bank to assist in completing this exercise.

Term bank:

Dialogue
Simile

Metaphor
Personification

Imagery
Repetition

Foreshadowing
Time Sequence

EXAMPLE:	LITERARY DEVICE:
<p>1. <i>Example: "He's invisible, a walking personification of the Negative" (Ralph Ellison)</i> <i>Examples: hunger sat shivering on the road OR flowers danced about the lawn.</i></p>	
<p>2. <i>Examples: grey shadows portending deeper shadows to come AND Little did they know, as they kissed on the platform, that they'd never meet again.</i></p>	
<p>3. <i>The repetition of the word: What if...at the beginning of each line reinforces the speaker's confusion and fear.</i></p> <p><i>Examples:</i> <i>What if I am caught coming out of the room</i> <i>What if someone sees me here with you</i></p> <p><i>What if I could laugh as you do</i> <i>What if I feel that impending doom</i></p> <p><i>Light, light, light shines upon me</i> <i>Airy light from the full moon</i> <i>Light, light, bright light</i> <i>Fiery light from the sunshine</i></p>	

4. *Example:*
Once, during last year's World Series, I was looking around before a game, and I lifted the phone off the set to see what would happen; almost immediately a voice answered from the Reds' dugout.
"Yeah?"
"Oh," I said, surprised.
"Hello! Yeah?"
"Who's this?" I asked.
"Jack Billingham." The voice sounded testy.
He was one of the
Reds' first rank pitchers.
"No kidding!" I said, like a kid reaching for his autograph book.

Example: from As You Like It by Wm. Shakespeare

***ROSALIND:** From henceforth I will, coz, and devise sports. Let me see; what think you of falling in love?*

***CELIA:** Marry, I prithee, do, to make sport withal: but love no man in good earnest; nor no further in sport neither than with safety of a pure blush thou mayst in honour come off again.*

5. *Examples: I wonder when motor mouth is going to run out of gas.*

The fountain of knowledge will dry up unless it is continuously replenished by streams of new learning.

This first beam of hope that had ever darted into his mind rekindled youth in his cheeks and doubled the lustre of his eyes. --Samuel Johnson

<p>6. <i>Examples:</i> <i>The cadenced marching had the quality of putting James into a hypnotic state OR Joan felt the prickly sting of the mosquito’s proboscis as it tunneled through her skin.</i></p>	
<p>7. . . .” <i>Example, we might say that a girl’s hair is like sunshine or that her breath is rank as an old gym sock.</i></p> <p>An <i>epic simile</i> sometimes extends the comparison to expansive proportions. <i>Example: In <u>The Odyssey</u>, when Odysseus and his men blind the Cyclops: “as a blacksmith plunges a glowing ax or adze / in an ice-cold bath and the metal screeches steam / and its temper hardens—that’s the iron’s strength.</i></p>	
<p>8. . . . <i>Example: Beginning: purpose, setting, background information, begin to tell story. Middle: introduce and describe involvement, introduce conflict or problem, build toward climax or point of highest interest. End: climax, resolution.</i></p>	

KEY:

1	Personification
2	Foreshadowing
3	Repetition
4	Dialogue
5	Metaphor
6	Imagery
7	Simile
8	Time Sequence

PERFORMANCE TASK:

Directions: Identify one example of each literary device listed below. Use your textbook and other resources available in the class to express each type. Be careful to punctuate and spell correctly. If you cite from a particular source, list the title and author from which you derived your example.

Literary Device:	Example:
Personification	
Foreshadowing	
Repetition	
Dialogue	
Metaphor	
Imagery	
Simile	
Time Sequence	