

Figurative Language



Two unlike things compared together using the words *like* or *as* 

### **EXAMPLE:**

The weather is as cold as a freezer.

## Metaphor

### **DEFINITION:**

Two unlike things compared together without using the words *like* or *as* 

### **EXAMPLE:**

Little snowflake daggers poked my skin.



A word or phrase that does not literally mean what it says; it has some other meaning.

### **EXAMPLE:**

The blizzard snowed us in our little cabin in the woods.



A complete exaggeration to make a point, often used to create a humorous or mean effect

### **EXAMPLE:**

The snow was piled a mile high around our car.



Giving humanlike qualities to nonhuman objects or animals

#### **EXAMPLE:**

The snowstorm whispered to him that things would be okay.



The act of spelling out the way a sound sounds.

### **EXAMPLE:**

The snowflakes whooshed past my ear so fast.



A rare figurative language. Uses one detail of a person (or thing) to represent the entire person.

#### **EXAMPLE:**

Four scarves huddled around the fireplace and drank coffee.

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## Which Figurative Language

IsIt?

"...would make your blood run cold"

Idiom

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Which
Figurative Language
Is<sub>It</sub>?

"The Northern Lights have seen queer sights..."

### Personification

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"...God only knows."

Idiom

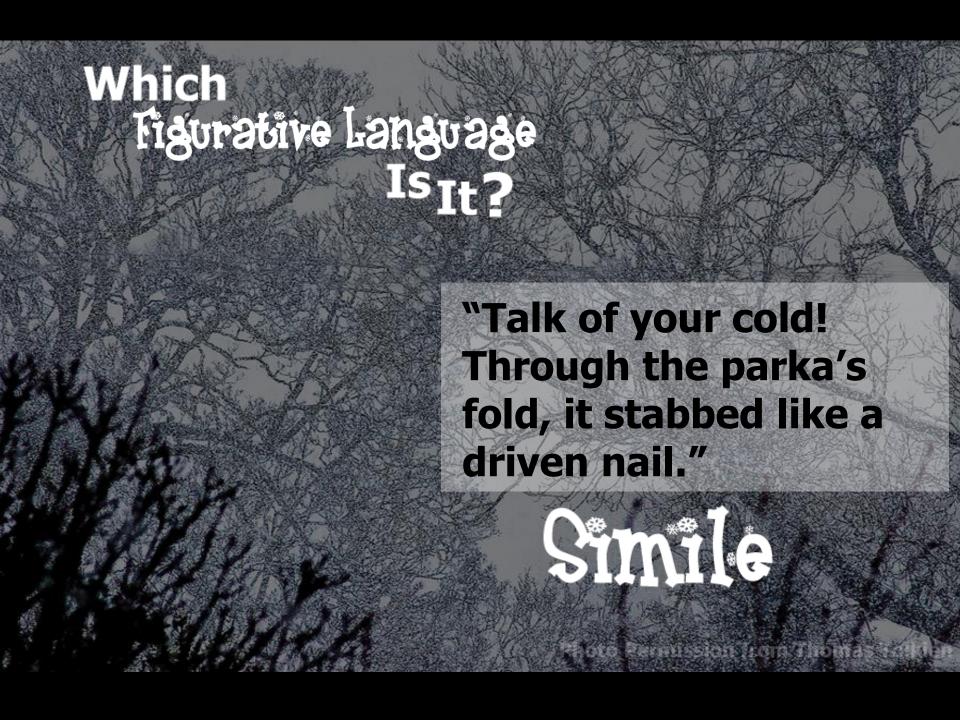
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"He'd sooner live in hell."



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"The stars o'erhead were dancing to and fro."

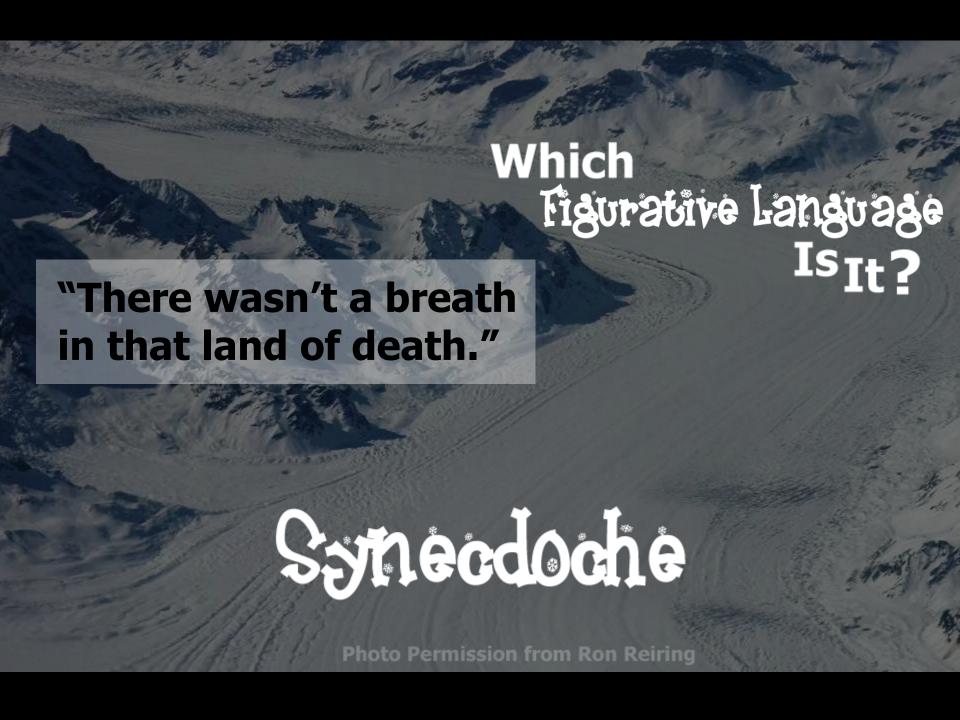
## Personification

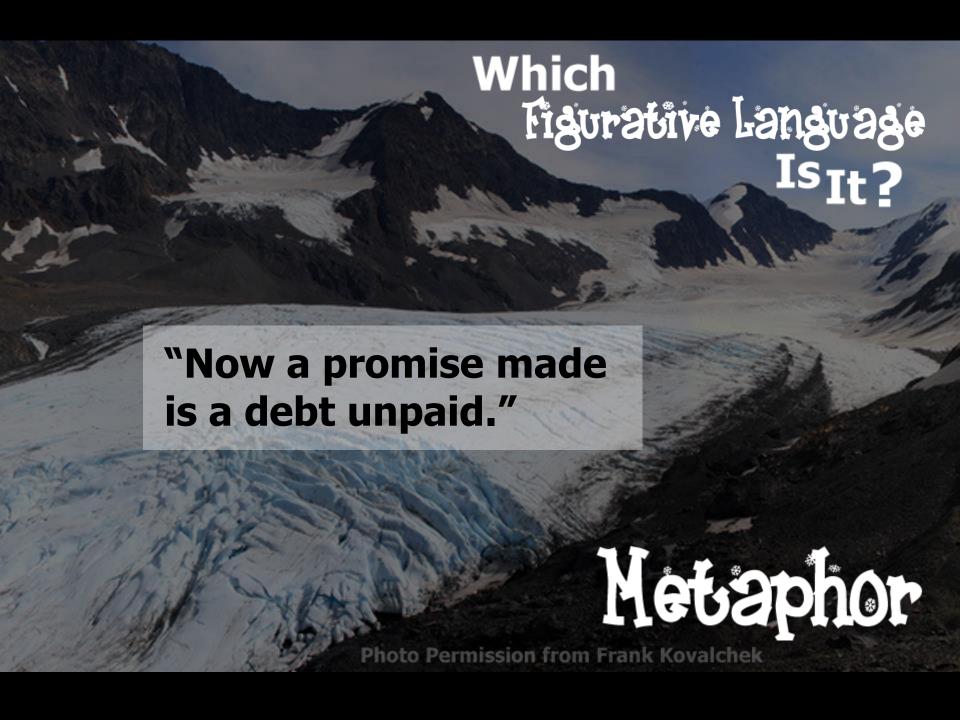
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"I'll cash in this trip, I guess."



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"While the huskies round in a ring howled out their woes to the homeless snows."



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"Then 'Here,' said I, with a sudden cry, 'is my cre-ma-tor-eum."



"Then I made a hike, for I didn't like to hear him sizzle so."

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## Which Figurative Language Is<sub>It</sub>?

"The heavens scowled."

## Personification

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"The greasy smoke in an inky cloak went streaking down the sky."

Metaphor

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"I wrestled with grisly fear."

## Personification

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"...looking cool and calm in the heart of the furnace..."



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"...the furnace roar..."



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"He wore a smile he could see a mile.."



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