

# Study Guide for Figurative Language: Similes, Metaphors and Personification.

Quiz: Students will be required to define these three different examples of figurative language. They also will be required to identify these types of figurative language in different examples.

**Similes**-A figure of speech that compares two things by using the words 'like' or 'as' something else. They are compared indirectly.

Examples:

1. The sky was as red as a ripe apple.

This simile compares the sky to an apple using the word "as."

2. The sky was like a red roaring campfire. This simile compares the sky to a red roaring campfire using the word "like."

**Metaphors**-A figure of speech that uses a word or phrase used to compare two unlike objects, ideas, thoughts or feelings.

Example: The computer in the classroom was an old dinosaur. This metaphor compares the computer to an old dinosaur by saying it "is" an old dinosaur.

**Personification**- when you assign the qualities of a person to something that isn't human or, in some cases, to something that isn't even alive.

Example: Peggy heard the last piece of cheesecake in the refrigerator calling her name. This example of personification is saying the cheesecake is calling her name, and obviously cheesecake cannot speak. :)