

Figurative Language Unit

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Essential Question:
How does Figurative Language help
us communicate ?

Unit Question:
What types of figurative
language are used in the
world around us?

What are metaphors and
similes and how are they
used in the short story
"Eleven" by Sandra
Cisneros?
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What are common idioms
and how do they change
the literal meaning of
words?
* Standard 1

What are
onomatopoeias,
hyperboles, and
alliteration and how are
they used in the media?
* Standards 1, 4

What is alliteration
and how is it used
in poetry?
*Standard 1

Unit Question:
How does figurative language
create imagery when a text is
read or listened to?

How does the figurative
language in "The Hundred
Dresses" create imagery
for the reader?
* Standard 3, 4

What types of figurative
language are used in musical
lyrics and how do they create
imagery for the listener?
* Standard 3, 4

How does personification
change the literal meaning
of words and create imagery
for the reader/listener?
*Standards 2 and 3

What types of figurative language
does Langston Hughes use in the
poem "Dreams" and what type of
imagery does it create ?
* Standards 1, 2, 3, 4

Oregon State Standards 6th Grade Language Arts

1.EL.06.RE.12 Interpret figurative language, including similes, metaphors, and words with multiple meanings.

2. EL.06.LI.12 Define how tone or meaning is conveyed in poetry through word choice, figurative language, sentence structure, line length, punctuation, rhythm, repetition, and rhyme.

3.EL.06.WR.13 Use a variety of descriptive words to paint a visual image in the mind of the reader.

4.EL.06.RE.03 Listen to, read, and understand a wide variety of informational and narrative text including classic and contemporary literature, poetry, magazines, newspapers, reference materials, and online information.