

Spelling list: GCSE English Literature: Language Features 2

Key words for GCSE English Literature.

sarcasm	Sarcasm is a form of irony used to mock.
imagination	Imagination is the ability of the mind to make up fantasies.
imagery	Imagery is the use of visually descriptive language.
mood	Mood is the atmosphere created by the text.
tone	Tone is the general attitude and character of a text.
exaggeration	An exaggeration makes something seem bigger than it is.
understatement	An understatement makes something seem smaller than it is.
accent	An accent is a distinctive way of pronouncing a language.
atmosphere	The atmosphere of a piece of writing is the feeling the author creates in it.
event	An event is when something happens.
action	An action is something that is done.
metaphor	An extended metaphor is when an analogy extends across a literary work.
simile	A simile involves comparing one thing to something else.
irony	Irony is when you say the opposite of what you mean for dramatic or humorous effect.
symbolism	Symbolism is when a word, phrase, or image stands for an idea or theme.
rhetoric	Rhetoric is the use of language and structure in a text to persuade.
satire	Satire is a literary device used to make fun of human vices and follies.
allusion	An allusion is an indirect reference to someone or something.