

## Spelling list: GCSE English Literature: Language Features 3

Key words for GCSE English Literature.

allegory	An <b>allegory</b> is a narrative that has a hidden meaning or moral.
symbolic	A <b>symbolic</b> character is when a character represents something within the story.
character	A symbolic <b>character</b> is when a <b>character</b> represents something within the story.
pathetic	<b>Pathetic</b> fallacy is when a writer gives human feelings to something non-human in order to create an effect.
fallacy	Pathetic <b>fallacy</b> is when a writer gives human feelings to something non-human in order to create an effect.
anthropomorphism	<b>Anthropomorphism</b> is the attribution of human traits to non-human entities.
oxymoron	An <b>oxymoron</b> is a figure of speech which uses two contradictory terms.
parable	A <b>parable</b> is a story used to teach a moral lesson.
diction	<b>Diction</b> is the style of enunciation in speech or singing.
connotation	A <b>connotation</b> is a commonly understood association of a word or phrase.
denotation	The <b>denotation</b> is the main meaning of a word.
euphemism	A <b>euphemism</b> is a word or sentence used in place of one that might be considered offensive.
figurative	<b>Figurative</b> language has a symbolic meaning as well as a literal meaning.
language	Figurative <b>language</b> has a symbolic meaning as well as a literal meaning.
realism	<b>Realism</b> seeks to portray real life on stage.

ambiguity

**Ambiguity** is when the meaning is unclear.