

Spelling list: GCSE English Language: Language Features 4

Key words for GCSE English Language.

figure	A figure of speech is a word or phrase used in a non-literal sense.
speech	A figure of speech is a word or phrase used in a non-literal sense.
hyperbole	Hyperbole means exaggeration.
assonance	Assonance is the repetition of vowel sounds within a phrase.
imagery	Imagery is the use of visually descriptive language.
irony	Irony is when you say the opposite of what you mean for dramatic or humorous effect.
jargon	Specialist language is known as jargon .
superlative	A superlative is an adjective or adverb that describes something as being of the highest degree.
imperative	An imperative verb is an instruction or command.
euphemism	A euphemism is a word or sentence used in place of one that might be considered offensive.
emphasis	If you put emphasis on something, it means you give it importance.
emotive	Emotive language is language that elicits an emotional response from the reader.
language	Emotive language is language that elicits an emotional response from the reader.
onomatopoeia	Onomatopoeia is when a word imitates the sound of the action or thing it describes.
	Personification is when human characteristics are given to non-human

personification	things.
connotation	A connotation is a commonly understood association of a word or phrase.
extended	An extended metaphor is when an analogy extends across a literary work.
metaphor	An extended metaphor is when an analogy extends across a literary work.