Spelling list: Persuasive techniques

anecdote Much to my amusement, he told a funny **anecdote** .

A rhetorical device, such as a question, is used for effect rather than to get

an answer.

rhetorical

question He was reluctant to answer my **question**.

Using **quotes** from 'experts' helps the audience to believe what you are quotes

saying.

emotional He made an **emotional** appeal for information.

appeal He made an emotional **appeal** for information.

Metaphors allow the audience to relate a difficult description to something metaphor

they may know.

simile Simile involves describing something by comparing it with something else.

hyperbole Hyperbole is an exaggeration used for effect.

repetition When words or phrases are repeated for effect we call it **repetition**.

alliteration Alliteration involves words that begin with the same sound.

To be objective is to give an **opinion** not based on personal feeling but on

fact.

A **colloquialism** is a word or phrase used in spoken language but NOT in colloquialism

written language.

Words like 'we', 'us' and 'our' helps the audience to feel like you are including inclusive

them in the discussion on the issue.

language The TV censor cut out the bad **language**.

euphemism Pushing up daisies is a **euphemism** for dying.

opinion

attack

An 'attack' is used to draw attention to the opposition and what they represent to make the other side look more appealing to the audience.

cliche 'It's raining cats and dogs' is an overused **cliche** to mean it is raining heavily.