

Poetic Devices

Poetic Device playing with sound		Example in the song, rhyme, or poem
alliteration	To use the same sound over and over again	
rhyme	Using words that sound alike	
onomatopoeia	A word that sounds like the word it represents, like “Boom!” or “Bang!”	
Poetic Device playing with meaning		
personification	Giving human feelings to something that is not alive	
metaphor	Comparing two things without using the words “like” or “as”	
simile	Comparing two words using the words “like” or “as”	