

POETRY

Figurative Language



Metaphor: "Time is a thief."

This means that time takes away moments from our lives, not that time is a literal thief.

Simile: "Her smile was like sunshine."

This compares a smile to sunshine, highlighting its warmth and brightness.

Personification: "The wind whispered through the trees."

This gives human qualities to the wind, making it seem like it has the ability to whisper.

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I Wandered Lonely as a Cloud

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I wandered lonely as a cloud
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,
When all at once I saw a crowd,
A host, of golden daffodils;
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine
And twinkle on the milky way,
They stretched in never-ending line
Along the margin of a bay:
Ten thousand saw I at a glance,
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced; but they
Out-did the sparkling waves in glee:
A poet could not but be gay,
In such a jocund company:
I gazed—and gazed—but little thought
What wealth the show to me had brought:

For oft, when on my couch I lie
In vacant or in pensive mood,
They flash upon that inward eye
Which is the bliss of solitude;
And then my heart with pleasure fills,
And dances with the daffodils.



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Write a poem using:

- One metaphor
- One simile
- Personification
- At least two stanzas with eight lines