

simile

(a comparison using like or as)

metaphor

(a comparison between two things
that are unrelated)

personification

(giving human qualities to non-human things)

He is as quiet
as a mouse.

She has a heart
of gold.

The sun smiled
down on us.

onomatopoeia

(a word from a sound it describes)

The bee
buzzed in the
air.

homophone

(words that sound the same, but have
different meanings or spellings)

The bear was
bare.

idiom

(a common phrase that is not literal)

That test was a
piece of cake.

alliteration

(a repeating first letter of words)

superlative

(to the highest degree or most)

comparative

(a word that compares using “than”)

Peter piper
picked a peck
of pickles.

He was the
rudest person
at the party.

She was
prettier than
the queen.

persuade

(to get you to do or believe something)

**present
progressive**

(a continuing action that is happening now)

**cause and
effect**

(the effect is what happened)
(the cause is why it happened)

If you buy us a
dog, he could
guard the
house and play
with us.

You are
reading this
card now.

I didn't eat
breakfast and
then got a
headache.