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Literary Devices

Unlocking Meaning: Mastering Literary Devices in Gujarati

DEFINITION

> Literary devices are techniques used by writers to enhance their storytelling and express ideas. They add depth and creativity to language, making it more engaging.

KEY CONCEPTS

Metaphor

A comparison between two unlike things without using 'like' or 'as'.

Simile

A comparison using 'like' or 'as' to highlight similarities.

Personification

Giving human traits to non-human objects or abstract ideas.

Alliteration

The repetition of consonant sounds at the beginning of words in a sentence.

Hyperbole

Exaggerated statements not meant to be taken literally, used for emphasis.

EXAMPLES

→ Time is a thief.

→ Her smile was as bright as the sun.

→ The wind whispered through the trees.

MEMORY TIPS

★ Remember 'MPSAH' for Metaphor, Personification, Simile, Alliteration, Hyperbole.

★ Visualize a story scene to connect devices with their effects.

★ Create a rhyme or song using examples of each device.

COMMON MISTAKES

✗ Confusing metaphor with simile.

✗ Using personification incorrectly with inanimate objects.

✗ Overusing hyperbole, making it lose impact.

QUICK RECAP

Literary devices enhance writing by adding creativity and depth. Key devices include metaphor, simile, personification, alliteration, and hyperbole. Understanding these tools will improve your analysis and writing skills.