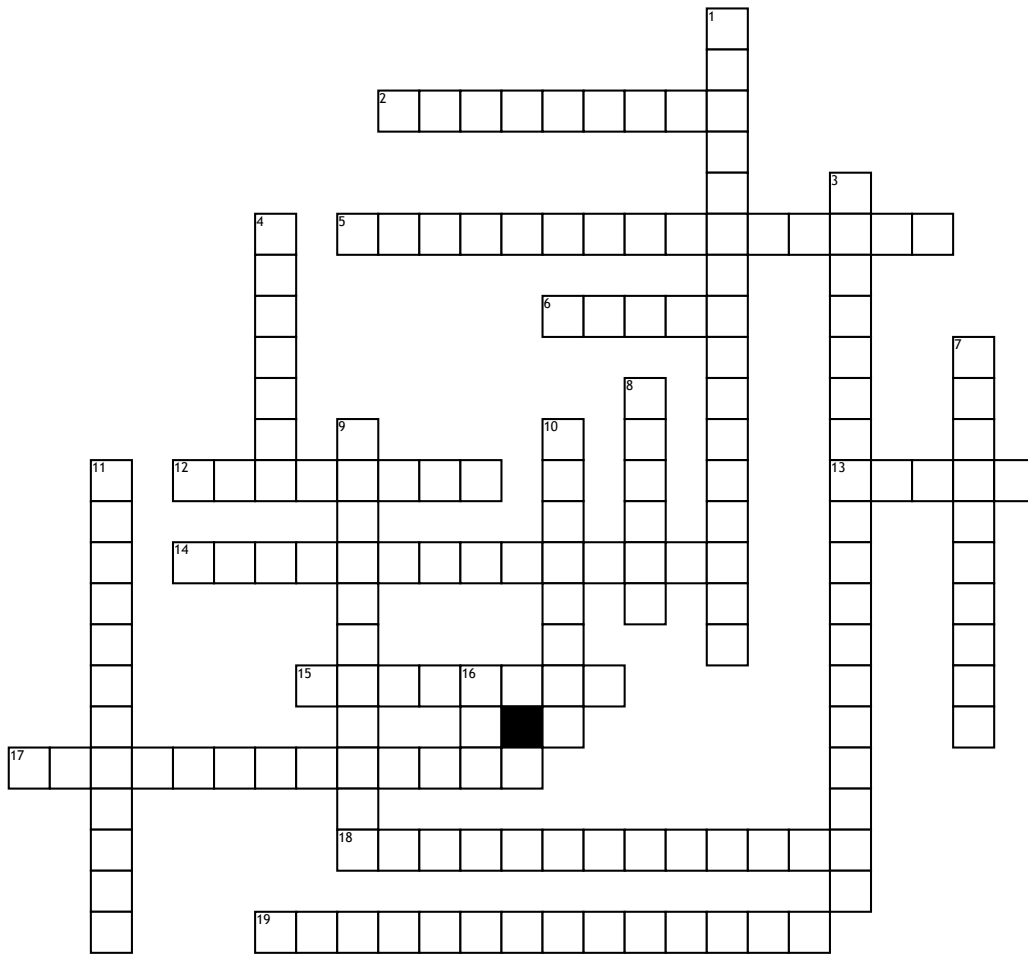


# Literary Techniques



**Across**

- 2. a substitution of a more pleasant expression for one whose meaning may come across as rude or offensive
- 5. attributing human characteristics to non-human object
- 6. normal speech rhythm; often this (in Shakespeare plays) signals a character slipping into insanity
- 12. when two opposite terms are used together
- 13. a contradiction between what is expected and what actually is--or appearance versus reality
- 14. two rhyming lines at the end of a speech, signaling that a character is leaving the stage or that the scene is ending

- 15. a figure of speech in which a word of phrase is replaced by another, often indicating a likeness or similarity between them

- 17. when the audience or reader knows something that the characters in the story do not know

- 18. hints of events to occur later in a story

- 19. a word or phrase with more than one meaning, usually when the second meaning is risque.

**Down**

- 1. a unit in poetry consisting of an unstressed syllable followed by a stressed syllable

- 3. writing or speech that is not meant to be taken literally; often used to compare dissimilar objects; includes metaphor, simile, personification, and hyperbole

- 4. language which works to evoke images in your mind

- 7. non-rhyming poetry, usually written in iambic pentameter; close to normal speech rhythms and patterns.

- 8. a figure of speech comparing two unlike things that is often introduced by like or as

- 9. in a tragedy, a break in the seriousness for a moment of comedy or silliness

- 10. a literary reference to a well-known work of art, music, history, or literature

- 11. repetition of consonant sounds at the beginning of words or stressed syllables

- 16. a play on words, especially those that sound alike, but have different meanings

**Word Bank**

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|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------|--------------|
| oxymoron          | foreshadowing   | allusion            | alliteration |
| irony             | personification | pun                 | simile       |
| dramatic irony    | double entendre | blank verse         | prose        |
| iambic pentameter | rhyming couplet | figurative language | comic relief |
| metaphor          | euphemism       | imagery             |              |