# Nelson English Usage: Literary terms and devices

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### Across

- When something is described as being like something else [SIMILE]
- 6. A person or thing working against the main character [ANTAGONIST]
- 8. Untrue stories [FICTION]

## 14. A short novel [NOVELLA]

## Down

- 1. Writing that instructs or advises the reader on areas such as ethics, religion or politics [DIDACTICISM]
- 2. A question not designed to elicit an answer [RHETORICAL]

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- 17. Exaggerated speech [HYPERBOLE]
- 19. Claiming someone else's ideas as your own [PLAGIARISM]
- 22. Fiction set in an imaginary world [FANTASY]
- 23. Old, out-of-date, never used any more [ARCHAIC]
- 27. Another word for nom-de-plume [PSEUDONYM]
- 30. An account of your life, written by you [AUTOBIOGRAPHY]
- 32. A dramatic speech presented by one character [MONOLOGUE]
- The attitude expressed by the writer or narrator in a text [TONE]
- 35. The place and time where the story occurs [SETTING]
- 37. The pattern to which a poem conforms [FORM]
- The basic unit of metre: pentameter has five of them [FEET]

#### Down

- 3. Lines of verse that form a unit within a poem [STANZA]
- 4. A stereo-typed expression [CLICHE]
- 5. An account of your life, written by someone else [BIOGRAPHY]
- 7. The organisational structure of most novels [CHAPTER]
- 9. A text that tells the version of events as a story [NARRATIVE]
- 10. A humorous imitation of a serious text [PARODY]
- 11. A play on words [PUN]
- 12. A word's literal meaning [DENOTATION]
- 13. A short, significant quote at the start of a text [EPIGRAPH]
- 15. The speech of characters in a text [DIALOGUE]
- 16. The main character in a text [PROTAGONIST]
- 18. A polite term for something offensive or unpleasant [EUPHEMISM]
- 20. A Japanese form of poetry with a total of seventeen syllables [HAIKU]
- 21. Type of language used to present or describe something in the guise of something else for effect [FIGURATIVE]
- 24. The most dramatic, intense part of a story [CLIMAX]
- 25. 'The early bird catches the worm' is a well-known '\_\_\_\_\_.' [PROVERB]
- 26. Personal prejudice that distorts the facts [BIAS]
- 28. The opposite of an antonym [SYNONYM]
- 29. The resolution of the plot [DENOUEMENT]
- 30. The person or people the author writes to [AUDIENCE]
- 31. A word that reads the same forwards and backwards [PALINDROME]
- 32. The lesson to be learned from a story [MORAL]
- 33. A newly created word [NEOLOGISM]
- 36. Romeo and Juliet is usually classed as a '
- 38. A poem that presents a puzzle to be solved [RIDDLE]
- 40. Scholarly prose on a particular subject [ESSAY]
- 41. The central idea in a literary text [THEME]