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Figurative Language

Speaking Figuratively

Literal language uses words according to their acceptable meaning. Its meaning is always consistent.

Example: I am hungry.

Figurative language uses words that does not go according to its acceptable meaning, but still makes sense. For example: I could eat a horse.

Write the following words or phrases in figurative sentences. The first was done for you.

1. as smooth as silk

2. a whirlwind of activity

3. quiet as a mouse

4. dog-tired

5. tall grass danced

6. red as a

7. like cats and dogs

8. smile