

<b>Title:</b> Fun with Figurative Language	<b>Grade:</b> 3rd Grade
<b>Content:</b> Reading, Writing	<b>Duration:</b> Five days

**Standard:**

- **RL.3.12a:** Distinguish the literal and figurative meanings of words and phrases in context.

**Objective:**

Students will create illustrations of figurative and literal meanings of often-used idioms and similes.

**Resources Needed:**

- Figurative language reference sheet.
  - See below
  - Access online
    - [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1eRoOHnt2rxnBdz\\_Q5AlmeKTf91xJb4d0/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1eRoOHnt2rxnBdz_Q5AlmeKTf91xJb4d0/view?usp=sharing)
  - Figurative Language Online Resources
    - <https://examples.yourdictionary.com/idioms-for-kids.html>
    - <https://examples.yourdictionary.com/simile-examples-for-kids.html>
- Paper
- Pencils, crayons, markers, colored pencils

**Introduction/Description:**

Students will choose 3-4 examples of figurative language and illustrate the figurative and literal meanings.

**Steps:**

- Fold a sheet of paper to make boxes. (*see below*)
- Choose a simile or idiom to illustrate.
  - You may use the list below or think of another one.
- On the left side illustrate the figurative meaning.
- On the right side illustrate the literal meaning.
- Create 3 illustrations.

**Finished Product:**


3-4 illustrated figurative language meanings.

**Adaptations:**

Students could:

- Choose similes or idioms that are not on this list.
- Create this with a computer using Google slides or Power Point.
- Could make a book.
- Could do this on index cards with one illustration on each side.
- Could do fewer or more illustrations.

# Figurative Language Reference Sheet



Simile	A comparison using "like" or "as"	<p>He tiptoed as quiet as a mouse</p> <p>The moon looked like a giant sugar cookie.</p>	
Idiom	A commonly used saying that doesn't mean exactly what the words say	<p>It's raining cats and dogs.</p> <p>Chill out!</p>	

## Commonly Used Figurative Language Examples

- Slippery as an eel
- Busy as a bee
- Sly as a fox
- Has the cat got your tongue?
- Quiet as a mouse
- Pig out
- Raining cats and dogs
- Cool as a cucumber
- Hold your horses
- As gentle as a lamb
- Chill out
- As light as a feather
- Get a kick out of []
- As proud as a peacock
- Give it a shot
- As strong as an ox
- Don't let the cat out of the bag



Illustration Example:

Idiom or Simile	It really means..
<p>The Chiefs are on fire!</p>  <p>Duch! It's hot!</p> <p>Patrick Mahomes' arm</p>	<p>The Chiefs are a really good team!!</p>  <p>We won the Superbowl!!</p>