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Literary Criticism
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Confusing Terms: The Good Distractors

Literary Terms: Structure, Melopoeia, Rhyme, Figures, Tropes, and Schemes

enjambment	run-on	end stop			
stanza					
alliteration	assonance				
assonance	consonance	dissonance	resonance		
RHYME	near (half/slant/oblique) rhyme		assonance	consonance	eye rhyme
compound	internal	leonine			
feminine	masculine	mosaic	heteromerous	broken	wrenched accent
METAPLASM	elision	apocope	syncope	paragoge	
		aphaeresis	metathesis	anaptyxis	excrecence
inversion	hyperbaton	anastrophe			
metaphor	simile	analogy			
MASTER TROPES		synecdoche	metonymy	metaphor	irony
IRONY	dramatic	tragic	verbal	situational	cosmic
			Socratic	accismus	
paradox	oxymoron	equivoque	pun	tautology	
ALLUSION	biblical	classical	historical	literary	topical
persona	speaker	putative author	implied author		
personification	anthropomorphism	reification	prosopopoeia	zoomorphism	
litotes	understatement	hyperbole			
colloquialism	idiom	cliché	jargon	neologism	dead metaphor
apostrophe	soliloquy	aside	harangue	flyting	stichomythia
haiku	senryu	tanka	katauta		
SONNETS	Petrarchan	Shakespearean	Miltonic	Spenserian	(English) (Italian)
		caudate	curtal	Anglo-Italian	
iamb	trochee	spondee	pyrrhic	anapest	dactyl
pseudonym	<i>nom de plume</i>	allonym	eponym	anonym	heteronym
Spoonerism	Wellerism	Malapropism	Gongorism		
MISCELLANEOUS	<i>roman à clef</i>	<i>carpe diem</i>	<i>Bildungsroman</i>		