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About

Alliteration

AL COS – ELA 7 (2010)

4.) Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of rhymes and other repetitions of sounds (e.g., alliteration) on a specific verse or stanza of a poem or section of a story or drama. [RL.7.4]

“Voila! In view humble vaudevillian veteran, cast vicariously as both victim and villain by the vicissitudes of fate. This visage, no mere veneer of vanity, is a vestige of the vox populi now vacant, vanished. However, this valorous visitation of a bygone vexation stands vivified, and has vowed to vanquish these venal and virulent vermin, van guarding vice and vouchsafing the violently vicious and voracious violation of volition.

The only verdict is vengeance; a vendetta, held as a votive not in vain, for the value and veracity of such shall one day vindicate the vigilant and the virtuous. Verily this vichyssoise of verbiage veers most verbose, so let me simply add that it's my very good honor to meet you and you may call me - “V”.

ALLITERATION:

the repetition of the same
sound in a series of words
(usually at the beginning of the words)

- at least two repetitions in a row
- in literature – used for emphasis

From: *Altazor* by
Vicente Huidobro

At the horislope of the mountizon
The violinswallow with a cellotail
Slipped down this morning from a lunawing
And hurries near
Look here swoops the swooping swallow
There swoops the whooping wallow
Here swoops the weeping wellow
Look here swoops the sweeping shrillow
Swoops the swamping shallow
Swoops the sheeping wollow
Swoops the slooping swellow
Look here swoops the sloping spillow
The scooping spellow
The souping smellow
The seeping swillow
The sleeping shellow
Look here swoops the swooping day
And the night retracts its claws like a leopard
Swoops the swapping swallow
With a nest in each of the torrid zones
As I have them on the four horizons
Swoops the snooping smallow
And waves rise on tiptoe
Swoops the whelping whirlflow
And the mountain's head feels dizzy

TONGUE TWISTER!

- A Tongue Twister is a phrase or sentence which is hard to speak fast because of alliteration.

- Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers.
A peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked.
If Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers,
Where's the peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper
picked?
- How much wood would a woodchuck chuck
If a woodchuck could chuck wood?
He would chuck, he would, as much as he
could,
And chuck as much as a woodchuck would
If a woodchuck could chuck wood.

ACTIVITY:

Don't Get It Twisted!

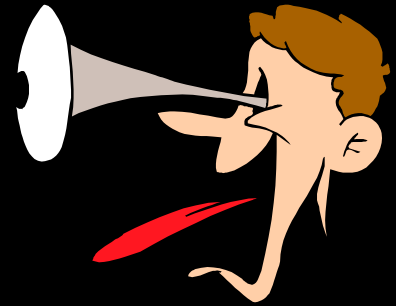
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You are going to use alliteration to write your own tongue twister!

Example: Betty

- 1. Adjective – Big
- 2. Your name – Betty
- 3. Word to go with your name – Bopper
- 4. Adverb – Bubbly
- 5. Verb – Burned
- 6. Adjective – Brown
- 7. Noun – Biscuits



You may add an article or any other filler word if necessary (*and, a, with, to*, etc.)

TONGUE TWISTER!

- Who can say their tongue twister three times fast?!



HOMEWORK:

- Search Poetry.org for a new alliteration poem.
- Identify all of the instances of alliteration.
- Finish your Name Tongue Twister for next week.