Poetry Notes

Rhyming scheme-Pattern of rhyme in a poem

Roses Are Red

Violets are Blue

I should have stayed in bed

This much is true

Rhyming scheme ABAB

Rhythm-Stressing and destressing sounds in a poem MAry had a LIttle LAMB

Couplet-Two lines in a poem

Stanza-A poetry paragraph

Simile-An indirect comparison between two unlike items

Lucas is like a Giraffe, his arms are so long Ben is as fast as lightening

Metaphor-A direct comparison comparing two unlike objects.

Lucas is a Giraffe, his arms are so long.

Ben is lightening

Hyperbole-A gross exaggeration

"I am so fast, when I turn out the light, I get into bed before it gets dark" Mohammad Ali

Alliteration-Two or more words side by side or close together with the same sound at the same spot. Usually, not always, at the start

<u>She sells sea shells</u> by the <u>sea shore</u>-S sound at the start

Personification-Giving human like qualities to something not human

That rock is mad at me
The cat is plotting my demise

Onomatopoeia- Words that sound like what they describe e.g. Smoosh, crunch, bash

Repetition-Repeating a sound or word for added emphasis-Almost every Dr. Suess Book. Bill Nye the Science guy does this in his videos.

Irony- When something unexpected happens. A grim form of humour. Example, in 2014, the only (non-Spaniard) person to be gored at the running of the Bulls, was a person who actually wrote a book on how to avoid being gored at the running of the bulls.

Billy wanted to be safe, so instead of driving to Vancouver with his friends, he payed a lot of money for a plane ticket, and missed the fun with his friends. His friends made it, Billy did not because the plane crashed.

Oxymoron-Contradictory terms that are used together. Example Sound of Silence, bittersweet, definitely maybe,

Idiom-A figure of speech not to be taken literally. Every culture has its own Idioms. Eg. I am not pulling your leg with this example. Necko thinks he is going to get an A, but he shouldn't count his chickens before they are hatched.