

METONYM

Metonymy is a linguistic device characterized by the substitution of a word or phrase with another closely related term. It operates as a covert code or an ingenious shorthand in our communications. Rather than explicitly mentioning the intended subject, we employ a substitute term that possesses a strong association with it. This substitution establishes a cognitive link between the two concepts, enabling us to convey meaning in a more vibrant and succinct manner.

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Q1: Which of the following best defines metonymy?

- A: A figure of speech that involves the repetition of initial consonant sounds.
 - B: A figure of speech that uses exaggeration for emphasis or effect.
 - C: A figure of speech where an attribute or associated concept is used to represent another concept.
 - D: A figure of speech that involves the comparison of two unlike things using 'like' or 'as.'
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Q2: Which of the following is an example of metonymy?

- A: The sun is shining brightly.
 - B: The wind whispered through the trees.
 - C: The city that never sleeps.
 - D: The cat sat on the mat.
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Q3: Which of the following is an example of metonymy?

- A: The sunflower is a symbol of happiness.
 - B: Her voice is music to my ears.
 - C: The cat purred contentedly.
 - D: None of the above
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Q4: What type of metonymy is being used in the phrase 'The pen is mightier than the sword'?

- A: Attribute metonymy
 - B: Container metonymy
 - C: Instrument metonymy
 - D: None of the above
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Q5: Which of the following is an example of attribute metonymy?

- A: The pen is mightier than the sword.
 - B: The crown spoke with authority.
 - C: The White House issued a statement.
 - D: The dish was delicious.
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Q6: Which of the following best defines metonymy?

- A: The wheels of justice turn slowly.
 - B: He has a heart of gold.
 - C: She has a green thumb.
 - D: The crown announced new policies.
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Q7: In the phrase 'The White House issued a statement,' what does 'White House' represent?

- A: The President
 - B: The location of the President's residence
 - C: The government
 - D: None of the above
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Q8: What type of metonymy is being used in the phrase 'All hands on deck'?

- A: Attribute metonymy
 - B: Container metonymy
 - C: Instrument metonymy
 - D: None of the above
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Q9: Which of the following is an example of container metonymy?

- A: The cup overflowed with joy.
 - B: The library holds a wealth of knowledge.
 - C: The kettle is boiling.
 - D: The sun set on the horizon.
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Q10: In the phrase 'The suits are discussing the budget,' what does 'suits' represent?

- A: Business executives
 - B: Formal attire
 - C: Financial documents
 - D: None of the above
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Answers

Q1: C - A figure of speech where an attribute or associated concept is used to represent another concept.

Q2: C - The city that never sleeps.

Q3: B - Her voice is music to my ears.

Q4: A - Attribute metonymy

Q5: C - The White House issued a statement.

Q6: D - The crown announced new policies.

Q7: A - The President

Q8: B - Container metonymy

Q9: B - The library holds a wealth of knowledge.

Q10: A - Business executives