

TEACHER'S GUIDE

Poetry Devices in GRACE AND BOX

Directions: Different poetry devices are used throughout *Grace and Box*. Find each example in the story, and then write an example of your own.

Personification: When something that is not a human is given human characteristics

*Example of personification in *Grace and Box*: Grace gives Box a check-up and listens to his heartbeat; she lets him rest on the couch; she feeds him veggie soup; the two best friends have big dreams to chase after together

*Write your own example of personification: Box waved his flappy arm to say hello.

Metaphor: Used to compare two things that are not alike but do have something in common with each other

*Example of a metaphor in *Grace and Box*: Box was a rocket; Box was a home; Box was a tent for camping; Box was ruins in Rome; Box was a submarine; Box was Hong Kong; Box was a tunnel; Box was a sinking ship; Box was a fort

*Write your own example of a metaphor: Grace was an overflowing basket of ideas at playtime.

Alliteration: words that start with the same sound that are used multiple times in a phrase

*Example of alliteration in *Grace and Box*: Deep, dark; Peg-leg Pirate

*Write your own example of alliteration: Box brought big brownies to the birthday party.

Rhyme: the repeating of words that sound similar to each other; usually used at the end of lines in poems, books, and songs

*Example of a rhyme in *Grace and Box*: home, Rome; Kong, wrong; rip, ship; okay, day; soup, droop; boat, afloat; wall, small; Grace, place; defending, mending; laughter, after

*Write your own example of a rhyming stanza:

On Monday Box was a race car.

On Tuesday Box was a plane.

On Wednesday Box was a tree house,

Where Grace could hide from the rain.

