Character	Relationship	Personality
Tybalt		
Benvolio		
Prince Escalus		
Lord Gapulet		
Lady Gapulet		
Lord Montague		
Lady Montague		
Romeo		
Paris		
Nurse		
Juliet		
Mercutio	*	
Friar Laurence		
Balthasar		
Friar John		

Friday FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE

figurative language: words used in a surprising way to make an impact on the reader or listener

simile: a comparison between two different things that uses the words "like" or "as"

EX. The hard-working student was as busy as a bee.

metaphor: a comparison between two different things that does not use the words "like" or "as" ~ EX. The ballerina dancer was a graceful butterfly flitting daintily around the stage.

personification: describing any non-human animal or thing like a human

EX. The proud oak tree protectively extended its massive branches above us.

onomatopoeia: writing sound as a word ~ EX. crash! boom! bang!

oxymoron: putting two opposite-meaning words next to each other for effect

EX. bittersweet, jumbo shrimp, deafening silence

idiom: a common expression made up of words that are used in a non-literal way

EX. Uh-oh! She let the cat out of the bag! (She told a secret.)

hyperbole: an exaggeration

EX. My grandfather was a 15-foot man whose powerful presence dwarfed everyone else's in the room.

allusion: referring to an historical or fictional event or person with the expectation that the audience will already be familiar with it or them

EX. You can trust me. I'm an honest Abe. (Abraham Lincoln—a well-respected President)

pun: a play on words that produces a humorous effect because the words have similar sounds but different meanings: a "dad joke."

EX. I asked my French teacher if she likes to play video games, and she said, "Wii." **assonance:** a repetition of the same vowel sounds in words; The words don't necessarily rhyme.

EX. I must confess that in my quest I felt depressed and restless.

synec doche (sih-NECK-doe-key): using one part of something to represent the whole thing ~ EX. John asked for Mary's <u>hand</u> in marriage. (He wants the whole girl!) irony: when the <u>opposite</u> thing that a person expects to happen happens instead or when the <u>opposite</u> thing that a person expects someone to say is said instead

EX. A person gets a flu shot despite being terribly afraid of needles and then ends up getting the worst case of the flu ever!

ALLITERATION: the repetition of consonant sounds at the beginning of words EX. The Bouncing Baby Boy was Beautiful!