P.D.’s (Poetic Devices)

Synonyms: Figurative Language, Figures of Speech

P.D.’s are what make poetry rather than prose; without them, there is usually no poem.

Some major P.D.’s

- Metaphor (and Simile)
- Connotation
- Tone (ironic, intense, innocent, etc.)
- Symbol
- Allusion
- Meter, Rhythm, Rime

 Others:


- Synecdoche: pronounced like the Amer. Indian word for “the place beyond the pines,” i.e., Schenectady.