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American Studies

### Rhetorical Devices: Two-minute Presentation

Each member of the class is responsible for teaching us about a rhetorical term. Your lesson for the class should be brief (2 minutes), but must include the following:

1. A clear definition or description of the term, with source, written on the board.
2. Two or more examples.
3. A brief discussion of significance, possible uses, and effect in a piece of writing.

This information should also be incorporated into a handout with a works cited list (one page maximum), which you will print out to contribute to the class style manual. You should keep a special section of your notebook for recording, defining, and wherever possible, illustrating these terms.

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| 1. amplification       | 24. epanalepsis                | 46. polysyndeton        |
| 2. anacoenosis         | 25. epistrophe                 | 47. preterition         |
| 3. anadiplosis         | 26. epizeuxis                  | 48. procatalepsis       |
| 4. anaphora            | 27. euphemism                  | 49. prosopopoeia        |
| 5. anastrophe          | 28. euphony                    | 50. rhetorical question |
| 6. antanagoge          | 29. exergasia                  | 51. scesis onomaton     |
| 7. antimetabole        | 30. hyperbaton                 | 52. sententia           |
| 8. antipophora         | 31. hyperbole                  | 53. synecdoche          |
| 9. antithesis          | 32. hypophora                  | 54. understatement      |
| 10. apophasis          | 33. litotes                    | 55. verbal irony        |
| 11. aporia             | 34. loose & periodic sentences | 56. zeugma              |
| 12. aposiopesis        | 35. meiosis                    | 57. antihero            |
| 13. apostrophe         | 36. metabasis                  | 58. aphorism            |
| 14. asyndeton          | 37. metanoia                   | 59. burlesque           |
| 15. auxesis            | 38. metastasis                 | 60. circumlocution      |
| 16. cacophemism        | 39. metonymy                   | 61. demotic style       |
| 17. catachresis        | 40. oxymoron                   | 62. eye dialect         |
| 18. chiasmus           | 41. paradox                    | 63. preamble            |
| 19. conduplicatio      | 42. paraleipsis                | 64. regionalism         |
| 20. dirimens copulatio | 43. parenthesis                | 65. reification         |
| 21. distinctio         | 44. parody                     | 66. semantics           |
| 22. dysphemism         | 45. peroration                 | 67. truncation          |
| 23. enumeratio         |                                | 68. unity               |