

Literary Terms: Know them; Love them; Use them

alliteration	free verse	parody
allusion	hubris	pathos
anapest	hyperbole	persona
apostrophe		personification
assonance	iamb	prosody
	iambic pentameter	pun
ballad	imagery	
blank verse	internal rhyme	quatrain
Bildungsroman	intrusive narrator	
	irony	refrain
caesura		rhyme
colloquialism	leitmotif	rhyme Scheme
conceit	literal	rhythm
connotation	litotes	
consonance	lyric	satire
convention		scansion
couplet	metaphor	sestet
	meter	soliloquy
dactyl	metonymy/synecdoche	sonnet
denotation	monologue	spondee
diction	mood	stanza
didactic	motif	stress
dramatic monologue		style
dramatic poem	narrative poem	subplot
	narrator	symbol
elegy		symbolism
enjambment	octave	syntax
epiphany	ode	
explication	onomatopoeia	theme
	oxymoron	tone
figurative language		trochee
foil	parable	
foot	paradox	verse
formulaic	paraphrase	

Diction		Syntax
Clichéd	Hyperbolic	Cumulative
Novel	Understated	Periodic
Euphonious	Pedestrian	Inverted
Cacophonous	Pedantic	Existential
Literal	Vulgar	
Figurative	Refined	