## Evaluative Language

| Descriptive Adjectives: to describe the effectiveness or style of the authorial techniques <br> - Compelling <br> - Credible <br> - Authentic <br> - Intricate <br> - Sophisticated <br> - Nuanced <br> - Stark <br> - Vivid <br> - Effective <br> - Innovative <br> - Masterful <br> - Poignant <br> - Insightful <br> - Persuasive <br> - Graceful <br> - Robust <br> - Sublime <br> - Jarring <br> - Evocative <br> Discussing Meaning: to evaluate the thematic significance of literary devices <br> - Symbolic <br> - Thematic <br> - Allegorical <br> - Representative <br> - Indicative <br> - Metaphorical <br> - Interpretative <br> - Illustrative <br> - Emblematic <br> - Suggestive <br> - Insightful <br> - Demonstrative <br> - Reflective <br> - Connotative | Impact Verbs: to articulate how the author's choices impact the reader or the narrative <br> - Enhances <br> - Portrays <br> - Depicts <br> - Suggests <br> - Mirrors <br> - Highlights <br> - Underscores <br> - Emphasizes <br> - Illuminates <br> - Reinforces <br> - Accentuates <br> - Challenges <br> - Exposes <br> - Foreshadows <br> - Juxtaposes <br> - Questions <br> - Reveals <br> - Symbolizes <br> - Transforms | Comparative Language: to compare and contrast the work with other texts or within itself <br> - Similarly <br> - Conversely <br> - Unlike <br> - As opposed to <br> - Comparable to <br> - Differing from <br> - In contrast to <br> - Similarly to <br> - In the same vein <br> - Nevertheless <br> - However <br> - On the other hand <br> - While / Although / Even though <br> Impact on Reader: to evaluate how authorial choices influence the reader's perception or emotions <br> - Engaging <br> - Enlightening <br> - Disturbing <br> - Provocative <br> - Moving <br> - Disorienting <br> - Comforting <br> - Challenging <br> - Confusing <br> - Alarming <br> - Amusing <br> - Baffling <br> - Calming <br> - Enlightening <br> - Horrifying <br> - Soothing <br> - Stimulating <br> - Unsettling <br> - Uplifting <br> - Dismaying <br> - Gratifying <br> - Perplexing <br> - Reassuring <br> - Satisfying | Adverbs for Emphasis: to emphasize the degree or manner in which the author executes techniques <br> - Masterfully <br> - Effectively <br> - Authentically <br> - Uniquely <br> - Subtly <br> - Explicitly <br> - Deliberately <br> - Poignantly <br> - Dramatically <br> - Ironically <br> - Remarkably <br> - Surprisingly <br> - Consistently <br> - Occasionally <br> - Rarely <br> - Frequently <br> - Abruptly <br> - Gently <br> - Meticulously <br> - Aggressively |
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