World Languages Latin III

Unit 1: Figures of Speech and Rhetoric

Essential Understandings	 Classical literature forms the foundation for all Western literature. Reading the poetry, prose, and history of the ancient world allows us to understand Western history, philosophy, and religion, as well as to gain insight into our own culture and literature. 		
Essential Questions	What are the classical figures of speech?What is rhetoric?		
Essential Knowledge	 The classical figures of speech, first identified by Aristotle in his poetics, are language tools used by authors to persuade or embellish poetry and oratory. They belong predominantly to four categories: figures of word order figures of sound figures of imagery figures of emphasis 		
Vocabulary	 Terms: Figures of Word Order:		
Essential Skills	 Identify and analyze effectiveness of figures of speech in Latin and English literature. 		

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Related Maine Learning Results	Morld Languages A. Communication A2. Interpretive Students comprehend conversations, narratives, and recoded material in familiar contexts that are longer and/or more complex that those in the 6-8 span. a. Identify main ideas, topics and specific information in a variety of authentic written materials. A3. Presentational Students express their own thoughts to describe and narrate in oral and written presentations using strings of sentences and/or short paragraphs and with sufficient accuracy in form and pronunciation that could be understood by native speakers accustomed to interacting with language learners. a. Read authentic passages aloud with appropriate pronunciation, phrasing, and intonation. f. Paraphrase and/or summarize texts orally or in writing in a presentation format using the target language or English. A4. Language Comparisons Students use their understanding of the nature of language to enhance their communication in the target language. a. Compare a variety of grammatical structures and syntax between languages. b. Identify examples of vocabulary in both languages that do not translate directly form one language to another. c. Use idiomatic expressions and/or proverbs in the target language. d. Identify examples of how vocabulary (in English and the target language) that convey different meanings in different contexts.
Sample Lessons And Activities	 Listen to popular music, brought in by students to identify figures of speech Games to practice identifying figures of speech Lecture and essays on using figures of speech to evaluate effectiveness of literature
Sample Classroom Assessment Methods	 Essays analyzing figures of speech in poetry/oratory Tests Translation of literature and interpretation of figures of speech
Sample Resources	 Other Resources: AP curriculum list of figures of speech Popular music containing vivid examples of figures, such as "The Piano Man"

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Link	-	www.perseus.tufts.edu
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