

# Literacy

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## The Magic Box by Kit Wright

This week in Literacy we are going to learning about the features of poetry. Today's lesson looks at the types of figurative language that are used in the poem 'The Magic Box'. Figurative language uses words and ideas to create imagery (pictures) in the readers mind and captures the readers attention.

One of the language features that is used in this poem is onomatopoeia.

*Onomatopoeia: words that sound like the common sound of the object it is describing*

*E.g Bang*

*Whoosh*

*Buzz*

*Hiss*

The sound of a firework going off makes a bang.

So to use onomatopoeia effectively within a sentence, we could write:

Bang! The firework exploded suddenly.

Which line in this verse contains an example of onomatopoeia?

I will put in the box

The swish of a silk sari on a summer night,  
Fire from the nostrils of a Chinese dragon,  
The tip of a tongue touching a tooth.

This time, I want you to work out which two words in this verse are examples of onomatopoeia. I have given you four words to choose from.

I will put into the box

A snowman with a rumbling belly,  
A sip of the bluest water from Lake  
Lucerene,  
A leaping spark from an electric fish.

water

box

spark

rumbling

The next language feature we are going to look at is Alliteration.

*Alliteration: the repetition of identical or similar sounds at the beginning of words.*

Examples: The **t**ip of a **t**ongue  
**t**ouching a **t**ooth.

**S**mall **s**ausages **s**izzling in a pan.

Can you find anymore examples of alliterations in the poem? If you can write them down.

Next, complete the table. Pick an alliterative adjective for each noun and an alliterative noun for each adjective.

Adjective	Noun
	feather
	bear
	grass
gentle	
lazy	
fantastic	

# *The Magic Box*

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The last joke of an ancient uncle,  
And the first smile of a baby.

### ચોહાનની લખેલી સુવાર્તા

૧ આદિએ શબ્દ હતો, અને શબ્દ દેવની સંઘાતે હતો, અને શબ્દ દેવ હતો. ૨ તે જ આદિએ દેવની સંઘાતે હતો. ૩ તેનાથી સઘળું ઉત્પન્ન થયું; એટલે જ કંઈ થયું છે તે તેના વિના ઉત્પન્ન થયું નહિ. ૪ તેનામાં જીવન હતું; તે જીવન માણસોનું અજવાળું હતું. ૫ તે અજવાળું અંધારામાં પ્રકાશ છે; પણ અંધારાએ તેને સ્વીકાર્યું નહિ. ૬ દેવે મોકલેલો એક માણસ આવ્યો. તેનું નામ 'ચોહાન' હતું. ૭ તે શહેરીને સારુ આવ્યો કે અજવાળા વિષે તે શહેરી આપે, એ માટે કે સર્વ તેનાથી વિશ્વાસ કરે. ૮ તે તો તે અજવાળું ન હતો, પણ તે અજવાળા વિષે શહેરી આપવાને તિ આવ્યો હતો].

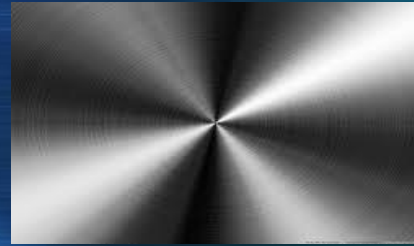


I will put into the box

A fifth season and a black sun,  
A cowboy on a broomstick,  
And a witch on a white horse.



My box is fashioned from ice and gold and steel,  
With stars on the lid and secrets in the corners.  
Its hinges are the toe joints of dinosaurs.



I shall surf in my box  
On the great high-rolling breakers of the wild Atlantic,  
Then wash ashore on a yellow beach  
The colour of the sun.



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