

# Hyperbole as a Stylistic Device

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**Annotation:** Hyperbole is a figure of speech and literary device that creates heightened effect through deliberate exaggeration. Hyperbole is often a boldly overstated or exaggerated claim or statement that adds emphasis without the intention of being literally true. In rhetoric and literature, hyperbole is often used for serious, comic, or ironic effects. A hyperbole is a literary device wherein the author uses specific words and phrases that exaggerate and overemphasize the basic crux of the statement in order to produce a grander, more noticeable effect. The purpose of hyperbole is to create a larger-than-life effect and overly stress a specific point. Such sentences usually convey an action or sentiment that is generally not practically realistically possible or plausible but helps emphasize an emotion. In this article we can also discuss about hyperbole as a stylistic device.

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The audience is not supposed to believe that this character truly knew “every tree” or that he literally killed a bear when he was “only three.” Instead, hyperbole is used to exaggerate Davy Crockett’s frontier experience and make him seem larger than life. Hyperbole is a frequently used literary device in tall tales, legends, and folk stories. The audience is aware that such claims are to emphasize the traits of the characters and not to be taken literally.

Hyperbole and overstatement are often used interchangeably, and they can serve as synonyms for each other. However, overstatement and hyperbole have subtle differences in their use and intended effect. An overstatement is an exaggeration or a statement in excess of what most would consider reasonable. A hyperbole is also an exaggeration, yet it is often more extreme than an overstatement and its intended effect is as a literary or rhetorical device. Both overstatement and hyperbole are figures of speech and are not meant to be understood literally. Hyperbole, however, is utilized as a device in literature and rhetoric, not just a form of figurative language.

Why hyperbola?

They release and release the educator from the circle of truth. Hyperbole plays an important role in literature because it invigorates our speech and gives us an emotional and mental state as the author or narrator of the text. This gives them the opportunity to present the oral environment of the story clearly and correctly. Hyperbole device function-to give brightness, emotionality and reliability to the text. In addition, he often works by humorous writers to create satirical images for the heroes of his works, which gives the reader the opportunity to return his imagination to life in his imagination.

The task of "finding Hyperbola in the text" is very simple, because speech among others turns into pronounced syllables, which are distinguished by the fact that they exist. Examples of use: "the eyes of this girl were surprised by the size of a saucer" or "this dog was the size of an elephant". All these phrases are a visible addition of reality, because you do not meet such a girl on the street big eyes or a dog of the size of an elephant, because in nature they are not and cannot be either. These are the most simple examples using a stylistic tool, which is considered in the language of Russian literature.

Metaphor and hyperbole are commonly used literary devices. A writer uses metaphor to compare things with some other persons or things. At times, it is an unusual comparison. Sometimes it seems overstatement which is not meant normally. In the case of hyperbole, it is different because its usage is meant to exaggerate and not take the thing or idea literally. The statement that his words are music could be an overstatement but not always. Hence it is a metaphor. However, to say that his words are the greatest melody that was ever heard is an exaggeration and this is hyperbole, which is always meant to exaggerate things. As hyperbole is meant to overstate and exaggerate things, it is also meant to bring humor. Therefore, using hyperbole in satire makes things or ideas or persons larger than life or lesser than life with exaggeration or even understatement. Satire

also works on the same lines that it has two premises and the first one is based on a story with some overstatement and exaggeration such as Jonathan Swift does in Gulliver Travels.

Hyperbole is effective as a literary device in many ways. By exaggerating something in an extreme way, whether it is a character's traits, writer's tone, theme, or idea, hyperbole can capture a reader's attention. In addition, it can cause the reader to question a narrator's reliability, reflect on the writer's true intention, or provide a level of absurd humor for entertainment. Swift's satirical essay reflects his view of the oppressive policies and attitudes toward Ireland and the poor on the part of the British people and overall aristocracy in the early eighteenth century. This is one of the most famous hyperbolic passages in literature, as Swift suggests selling and using Irish children as a food source to relieve the economic plight of the Irish people. Of course, this "proposal" is a figure of speech and intended as an extreme exaggeration rather than a literal solution. However, the practical and almost casual tone with which Swift delivers his hyperbole is as shocking for readers as what he appears to be suggesting. As a literary and rhetorical device in the essay, hyperbole achieves a serious and ironic effect for the reader.

We can say everything classical works rely on the transmission of the author's feelings to the reader, transferring it to the situation in which he himself created it. In literature, hyperbole classical works were very actively used by many famous authors.

Artistic expression, rich in literary means, will help these authors the best way to express their opinion to the reader. Thus, when studying the works of Classics, students are looking for epithets, comparisons, personification, and try to understand why the writer used this or that technique. Among the artistic means hyperbole also applies, we will consider. Consider what Hyperbola is, its examples are presented below. This is a special deliberate exaggeration, which allows the author to achieve the desired effect. This term is very ancient, the technique began to be used in ancient times. Use for hyperbole expression language means: words, word combinations and sentences.

The simplest examples: Hyperbola is widely used in Russian. Examples show that we often use this technique without even paying attention to it. For example, quote; "I told you a thousand times!" In this case, "a thousand times" is an exaggeration, because the author of the statement, first of all, many times did not say anything. Secondly, he did not calculate the number of repetitions. Another example of hyperbole in Russian: "We have not seen each other for a hundred years." People who come here have not met for a long time, but certainly for a hundred years. Saying that he has millions of problems, the man now claims that he has a black line in his life, and there cannot be said about the exact quantitative definition of problems. There are a lot of similar examples:

"There are hundreds of reasons why I'm still trying to get an education."

Grandfather has a thousand wounds, he still works in the garden.

"You do not believe, I saw such a big man yesterday. Not a man, an elephant." Here Hyperbola is connected by an element of comparison. By weight, a person looks like an elephant.

"Sit down, work, you'll find a million!" This example seems ironic. The speaker greatly increases the chances of his opponent making a profit and makes fun of him.

"Masha did not go to college, do you think? Yes, everyone knows this! On the example of lexical hyperbole, the syllable is achieved due to the expression "known to all". It is clear that this is not so, because the inhabitants of another city may not know about Masha's problems and do not interest them.

Satirists often rely on hyperbole to emphasize a point and focus a reader's attention on a socio-political or economic problem. Unfortunately, there were people in Swift's time that made a literal interpretation of his modest proposal. This caused a backlash among certain members of the aristocracy due to their misunderstanding of his hyperbole. However, for a modern audience, rather than discounting Swift's essay as something ridiculous, his hyperbolic proposal achieves its intended effect by causing the reader to reflect on the underlying problems that would result in such a dramatic literary essay—both in Swift's time and today.

By way of conclusion, we looked at examples of what hyperbole is and how it is used by word masters. This style allows writers to make their speech figurative and expressive, focusing the attention of the reader on any feature or feature of the described object or person. In addition, it was a deliberate exaggeration that helped the author to express his attitude to what was happening.

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