



## Literal vs. Nonliteral Language

### Today's Standard

3.RL.4 - Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from nonliteral language.

Cues	Notes
What is literal language?	Literal language means exactly what it says.
What is nonliteral language?	Nonliteral language uses words in a way that is different from their usual meaning.
Examples of idioms	Idioms are phrases with meanings different from the literal meanings of the individual words.
How to identify metaphors	Metaphors compare two things without using 'like' or 'as'.
Why is understanding figurative language important?	Understanding figurative language helps in interpreting deeper meanings in texts.

### Summary

Understanding the difference between literal and nonliteral language is key to interpreting texts. This includes recognizing idioms, metaphors, and other figurative language forms.