Literary Terms, Various

Purpose: Upon completion of this activity, students will be able to define and provide an example of alliteration, metaphor, simile, personification, and onomatopoeia. This DLA should take approximately 30 to 45 minutes to complete.

1. Go to the reception desk and check out The Bedford Introduction to Literature by Michael Meyer. You will need a student ID card or a driver’s license to check this book out for use in the lab.

2. Turn to the glossary and look up to review these literary terms: alliteration, metaphor, simile, personification, and onomatopoeia. On the back of this sheet, write definitions of these terms in your own words.

3. Write a short poem or series of lines on a single subject that demonstrates each of the literary terms above. Label each one with its name.

4. Take the book and this sheet and meet with a professor to go over your answers.

Attach a confirmation sheet or get a signature below:

Instructor Signature:______________________________ Date: _________________________