

Literal vs. Nonliteral Language

Fill out the chart below by writing the meaning of the nonliteral phrase. The first one has been done for you.

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Literal language: language that is true to fact. The words mean exactly what they say

Nonliteral language: language that is not true to fact. Words are used to create a picture in your head.

Nonliteral Phrase	Meaning
Make a mountain out of a molehill	To make a big deal out of something that's not a big deal.
Hit the hay	
Piece of cake	
Hit the Road	
Blink of an eye	
Apple of my eye	
Tongue tied	
Head in the clouds	
Blind as a bat	

