

SIMILE

RHYTHM

EPIC

ALLITERATION

METAPHOR

KENNING

RHYME

Long narrative poem describing the deeds of a great hero and reflecting the values of the culture from which it originated.

The repetition of sounds in two or more words or phrases that appear close to each other in a poem.

The arrangement of stressed and unstressed syllables into a pattern which often gives a poem a distinct musical quality.

The repetition of initial consonant sounds.

A comparison made between two things through the use of a specific word of comparison (*like, as, than, resembles*).

A figure of speech that makes a comparison between two things which are basically dissimilar and can be implied or suggested.

Formulaic phrases generally made of compound nouns.