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| |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | **alliteration**   (uhlihturayshuhn) *noun*    A repetition of initial, or beginning, sounds in two or more consecutive or neighboring words. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | **caesura**        a pause near the middle of a line |  |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | **epic**   (EHpihk) *noun,adjective*     **1.**  A long narrative poem telling of a hero's deeds.    **2.**  An extended narrative poem recounting actions, travels, adventures, and heroic episodes |  |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | **epithet**   (EHpuhthEHt) *noun*    An abusive word or phrase or an insult |  |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | **gorge**   (gawrj) *noun,verb*     **1.**  A narrow very deep ravine and canyon  **2.**  to stuff with food; to eat greedily |  |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | **kenning**   (kEHnihNG)      **1.**  A figurative, usually compound expression used in place of a name or noun, especially in Old English and Old Norse poetry; for example, storm of swords is a kenning for battle.  **2.**  old English metaphor using a compound word |  |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | **loathsome**   (lohthsuhm) *adjective*    Causing disgust; highly offensive or detestable. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | **mead**   (meed) *n*    Drink made of fermented honey and water. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | **scop**    *n*    a professional poet |  |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | **venerable**   (vEHnuruhbuhl) *adjective*    worthy of respect or reverance, particularly because of position or age. | |