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Eloquence elements: How to turn the perfect English phrase into an AuthorMark ForsythCountryUKPublished2013 Icon Books Ltd.Pages224ISBN9781848316218 Eloquence Elements: How to Convert the Perfect English Phrase is not a fiction book by Mark Forsyth published in 2013. [1] [2] [3] The book explains classical rhetoric, a rhetorical figure for each chapter, with examples of its use, especially in the works of William Shakespeare. Forsyth argues that the power of Shakespeare's language was the result of studies of formal rhetoric, and emphasizes their use during Shakespeare's development. Chapter 1: Asymmetric The sound of the first consonant is repeated in a series of words. His deliberately overstated Forsyth example is: Whereat, with a blade, with a bloody guilty knife, He bravely broke his boiling bloody chest; — William Shakespeare, A Midsummer Night's Dream 2: Polyptoton More information: Polyptoton and Antanacsis Forsyth define this as the use of a single word as different parts of a language or different grammatical forms. The term applies wherever words derived from the same root are used (e.g. lame and lame). Other sources use the associated term antianacsis when the same word is repeated in another sense. Grace me with no grace, nor uncle to me not uncle; I am not a traitor uncle, and that word grace in the unsightly mouth is only a layman. — William Shakespeare, Richard II 3: Antithesis Use of Opposites for Contrast. The example cited by Forsyth is this: These were the best times, it was the worst time. — Charles Dickens, A Tale of Two Cities 4: Merism Reference to one thing by listing parts of it or listing synonyms. The chapter focuses on the first definition and gives the following example: Cannon to the right of them, Cannon to the left of them, Cannon in front of them - Alfred, Lord Tennyson, The Charge of the Light Brigade 5: Blazon's tradition of poetry praising a woman using metaphors to describe individual parts of her body. Calling this extended merism, the disassembly of a loved one, Forsyth cites: Her yellow locks exceed the beaten gold; Her sparkling eyes heav'n place deserves; Her forehead high and correct comely mold - Thomas Watson, Hekatompathia 6: Synaesthesia When one feeling is described by another. Forsyth's example is Eduardo Hanslick's criticism of Tchaikovsky's violin concerto as a music that stinks in the ear. 7: Apoepson When the sentence is deliberately left unfinished, the end must be presented by the audience's imagination. This gives the impression of reluctance or inability to continue. [4] Forsyth gives an example: I will have such vengeance to both of you that the world ... I'm going to do these things... Who they are, but I don't know, but they will land terror. — William King Lear 8: Hyperbaton change the logical order of words in a sentence. For example, Forsyth cites Richard Lovelace's line Stone Wall is not a prison to make when more natural formulations would stone walls not make a prison, and added that in any case the claim is factually incorrect. 9: Anadiplosis Repetition of the last word of the previous paragraph. Forsyth put this example: We fame shocks as well, knowing the patience of the tridog's work, and patience, experience and experience, hope and hope to man not ashamed – Paul the Apostle, Epistle to the Romans 10: Periodic Sentences Sentences Sentence, which is not completed grammatically until the final point or phrases like Rudyard Kipling's poem If - 11: Hypotax and Parataxis Forsyth contrasts hypoxia as a complex writing style, using many subordinate conditions with parataxis, writing in style in short, simple sentences. 12: Diacope Close word or phrase repetition, separated by word or words. Forsyth says that the line in Bond, James Bond is memorable only for diacopy, writing: So just to recall, one of the greatest lines in cinema history is the man saying the title deliberately created to be boring. The only possible explanation for the popularity of the line is how it is formulated. ... Wording, pure wording. 13: Rhetorical questions As described by Forsyth, who recognizes how complicated all this is, rhetorical questions can be largely divided into: Questions that are asked but for which no answer is expected, for example: Did I compare thee to a summer day? - William Shakespeare, Sonnet 18 and made those feet in ancient times walk upon england's mountains green? - William Blake, And made those feet in ancient times questions that have a purpose but no real answer, for example, what is the point? Why go? Asked questions that a particular audience will answer in some way, such as which party cares about what is best for Britain? However, Forsyth notes the huge exception when this device is used in Monty Python's Life of Brian. Questions that are asked aloud and then immediately answer the questioner: You ask, what is our purpose? I can answer in one word: Victory! (Winston Churchill, we fight on the beaches) Asked questions to which both the questioner and the requested person know the answer, such as a traffic cop asking a speeding motorist: Do you think you were not subject to the speed limit? 14: Hendiadys To emphasize the form of an adjective-noun is replaced by a noun and noun form. For example, Forsyth writes: So instead of saying I go to a noisy city, you say, I go to the noise and the city. 15: Epistrophe Repeat a word or words at the end of consecutive phrases, conditions or sentences to emphasize. Quotes: Where is the struggle that hungry people can eat, I will be there. Wherever the cop beats the guy, I'll be there. [...] And when our people eat things they lift and live in the house they build - why, I'll be there. — John Steinbeck, The Grapes of Wrath 16: Tricolon More information: Isocolon Sentence, consisting of three equal parts. Forsyth cites the French slogan (Liberté, égalité, fraternité). 17: Epizeuxis Repeat word or phrase to emphasize. For example: The first rule of the fight club is: you do not talk about a fight club. The second rule of the fight club is: you do not talk about the fight club. — Chuck Palahniuk, Fight Club 18: Syllepsis More information: Zeugma When the word used with the other two parts of the sentence must be understood differently in relation to each of them. 19: Isokolonas More information: Isokolon Sentence consists of two parts corresponding to the structure, length and rhythm. Other sources indicate at least two equivalent parts. 20: Enallage Conscious Grammar Error. Example: Mistah Kurtz-he's dead from Joseph Conrad's Heart of Darkness. 21: Versification Forsyth discusses the effects of various forms of verse 22: Zeugma A's sentence series using the same verb. 23: Paradox A logically false or impossible statement intended to emphasize or contrast. 24: Chiasmus Symmetrical structure or formulation of repetition. 25: Assonance More information: Assonance vowel sound repetition. 26: The fourteenth rule, which unnecessarily contains a specific number to highlight something. 27: Catachresis More information: Catachresis Grammatically incorrect use of words in creative expression. Example: Hamlet saying I'm going to speak daggers—catharsis, because you can't literally speak with a dagger. 28: Litotes More information: Litotes Stressing point denies the opposite. 29: Metonymy and Synecdoche For more information: Metonymy and Synecdoche Using something that relates to the thing described, or part of it, instead of the thing itself. 30: Passed Epithets For More Information: Hypallage Applying the Adjective Wrong Noun, Effect. 31: Pleonasm More information: Pleonasm Using unnecessary or unnecessary words to highlight. 32: Epanalepsis More information: Replay of an epanalepsis word or phrase at the beginning and end of a sentence or condition to emphasize circularity. 33: Personification Additional information: Personification of human actions or characteristics by recording a non-human object. 34: Hyperbole More information: Hyperbole Exaggeration. 35: Adynaton More information: Adynaton Hyperbole is so extreme that it is completely impossible. 36: Prolepsis More information: Prolepsis (rhetoric) Use of pronoun at the beginning of a sentence that changes the normal order. 37: Congeries Bewildered list of adjectives or nouns. 38: Scesis Onomaton Next Scesis Onomaton sentences without a basic verb. 39: Anaphora More information: Anaphora (rhetoric) Starting each sentence with the same words. Critical reception David Evans of The Independent called it a pleasant, accessible book [1] Christopher Howse in The Spectator criticised the mistakes and incorrectly attributed the quotes in the book. Howse also described the author as well informed and cheerful. [2] The Wall Street Journal Review said Forsyth is adept at adding spice to the received wisdom and popularizing the academic linguists' findings and stresses that strong rhetorical devices are around us. [5] Links ^ a b Evans, David (September 14, 2014). Paperback reviews. Independent. Retrieved on 29 October 2014 ^ a b Howse, Christopher (30 November 2013). What's noticeable about the lovely little old rectangular green French silver whittling knife?. Viewer. Retrieved October 29, 2014 ^ From Dickens to Perry: The Art of Speaking Eloquently. BBC News. Of 11 November 2013 Received on 29 October 2014 ^ Lanham, Richard A. (1991). Manual list of rhetorical terms. 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