

**FORTY-TWO FIGURES OF SPEECH FOR ACTORS – alphabetically by figure
(Memorize the ones in Caps)**

accumulatio	A CU mu LA teo	Repetition in other words
anadiplosis	An a di PLO sis	Repetition of an end at the next beginning
ANAPHORA	a NA pho ra	Repetition of beginnings
ANASTROPHE	a NAS tro phe	Arrangement by reversal of order
ANTANACLASIS	ANT a na CLASS is	Repetition in different senses
anthimeria	AN thi MER ee a	Substitution of part of speech for another
ANTIMETABOLE	AN ti me TA bo lee	Repetition of successive clauses in reverse grammatical order
antisthecon	an TIS the con	Substitution of letter(s)
ANTITHESIS	an TI the sis	Repetition of words or ideas in contrasting juxtaposition
apocope	a PO co pee	Omission of letter(s) from the end
aporia	a Po ree a	Asking and answering your own question
aposiopesis	a POS i o PEE sis	Omission by breaking off suddenly in the middle of speaking
ASYNDETON	a SYN de ton	Omission of conjunctions from clauses
AUXESIS	aux EE sis	Arrangement by ascending importance
brachylogia	BRA kil o gee a	Omission of conjunctions from words
catachresis	CAT a CHREE sis	Substitution of "inappropriate" word
CHIASMUS	ki AZ mus	Repetition of ideas in inverted order
diacope	di AC o pee	Repetition with word or two between
ELLIPSIS	el LIP sis	Omission
enallage	e NAL la gee	Substitution of abnormal grammar
epanados	e PAN o dos	Repetition in the opposite order
epanalepsis	EP a na LEP sis	Repetition of the beginning at the end
EPANORTHOSIS	EP a NOR tho sis	Addition by correction (sometimes form of parenthesis)
epistrophe	e PIS tro phee	Repetition of ends
EPIZEUXIS	EP i ZOOK sis	Repetition immediately
EROTEMA	ER o TEEM a	Asking a question to affirm or deny a point
gradatio	gra DA tee o	Repetition of anadiplosis
hendiadys	hen DI a dis	Arrangement of modifier into noun with conjunction
hypallage	hy PAL a gee	Arrangement by sense-changing reversal
hyperbaton	hy PER ba ton	Misplacement of an element for effect
ISOLCOLON	i so COL on	Repetition of grammatical forms
metaplasms	MET a PLAS mus	Misspelling for effect
metonymy	me TON y mee	Substitution of container for contained
PARENTHESIS	pa REN the sis	Addition of "pop-up" idea
pleonasm	plee o NAS um	Addition of superfluous words
polyptoton	pol LIP toe ton	Repetition of word in different forms
POLYSYNDETON	POL y SYN de ton	Addition of conjunctions
repetitio	REP e TIT ee o	Repetition of word or phrase irregularly
symploce	sym PLO chee	Repetition of both beginning and ending
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