

Bold and Brave Women from Shakespeare

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Go on a scavenger hunt through the 'Cleopatra' and 'Beatrice' text extracts to find the things below!

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Things aren't what they seem...

A metaphor is a word or phrase that describes something as if it were something else. Take a look through the text extracts to find some examples of metaphors. Here are three from the Beatrice extract to get you started:

- 'words flying fast'
- 'talk up a merry storm'
- 'a war of verbal wits'

Talk about these with a partner and make notes on what the words literally mean and the pictures the metaphor creates in your mind.

WORD OR PHRASE	MEANING	NOTES
'words flying fast'		

Complete the phrase

Adjectives		
vengeful	sharp	beloved
wisecracking	unstoppable	

Choose an adjective from the box to complete these phrases about Beatrice:

- cousin
- Beatrice
- tongued
- mouth
- bride

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Look at the text extracts. Find three words that you don't usually use. Write down the sentences in which you found them. Can you work out what they mean?

WORD	SENTENCE	WHAT I THINK IT MEANS

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Take one line

Look at the opening paragraphs in the text extracts and choose a line from each, such as 'I commanded men at war and ships at sea' in the Cleopatra text and 'I talk up a merry storm, words flying fast' from the Beatrice text and draw a picture for each one to make the lines come to life. Explain your pictures to a partner.
