

**AP ENGLISH LITERATURE**

**Literary Terms:**

**Sound Devices**

**Directions:** Provide an example, either by quotation or summary, for each term and make note of the source. Memorize each definition in preparation for the AP English Literature Exam.

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= Alliteration: the repetition of initial consonant sounds in words in close proximity

Example: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Source: \_\_\_\_\_

= Assonance: the repetition of vowel sounds, but not of ending consonant sounds (not a full rhyme)

Example: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Source: \_\_\_\_\_

= Cacophony: the conscious use of a combination of harsh, unpleasant sounds

Example: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Source: \_\_\_\_\_

= Consonance: the repetition of the final consonants in stressed syllables, but with different vowel sounds that precede them

Example: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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