

# Word of the Day

## Metaphor

(noun - Etymology - Greek - 15 Century)

- a *figure of speech* in which a term or phrase is applied to something to which it is *not literally* applicable in order to suggest a resemblance
- Something that is used to represent something else
  - figurative language, a direct comparison

# What is a Metaphor?

All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players.

– *William Shakespeare*

A hospital bed is a parked taxi with the meter running. – *Groucho Marx*

Conscience is a man's compass. – *Vincent Van Gogh*

Rooms 7-1 and 7-6 in the afternoons are a pack of wild predators, cackling, screeching and roaming the desert plains in search of carrion.

– *Mr. Stahl*