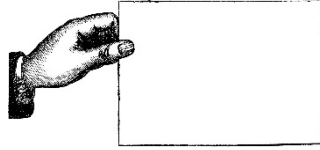


Name _____ **Chiasmus**



Antimetabole vs. Chiasmus

Chiasmus is a literary device in which the grammar of one phrase is inverted in the phrase that follows, so two key **concepts** from the original phrase reappear in the second phrase in inverted order. NOTE: It is not the exact words that reappear in inverted order, but the **concepts**. Antimetabole is a type of chiasmus. In an antimetabole, the concept is repeated **in the same words** in inverse order in both sides of the grammatical structure.

DIRECTIONS: Read each quotation. Identify whether it is a chiasmus or an antimetabole. Briefly discuss the effect of the statement.

1. " "The mind is its own place and, in itself can make a heaven of hell or a hell of heaven." (John Milton, *Paradise Lost*)

Antimetabole or Chiasmus? _____

2. "You stood up for America, now America must stand up for you. Our commitment to you doesn't end when you take off the uniform."
(Barak Obama, 2011)

Antimetabole or Chiasmus? _____

