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The word “chiasmus” comes from a Greek word that means “crossed.” 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. Chiasmus uses parallel structure, and is very symmetrical. In the most common type of chiasmus, antimetabole, the same words are repeated in inverse order in both sides of the grammatical structure.