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“Mother Nature’s Housecleaning”

The author of this short story uses personification and other literary techniques to tell the story.

Use a highlighter to identify those places where the author uses literary techniques. Then, use two column notes to explain what the author really means. In the first column, write what the author says, for example, “...Spring was coming over the hill with her three little helpers to make Mother Nature a visit.” In the second column, write what the author really means (what does the author mean by ‘three little helpers?’).