

## Module 5: The Literary Response to the Changing World

### Topic 5 Content: Rhetorical Devices Notes

A speaker uses repetition by repeating a word or phrase throughout a presentation. An example is: "What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny compared to what lies within us."  
- Ralph Waldo Emerson



A speaker uses parallelism by employing a similar pattern to his or her speech throughout a presentation. An example is: "...government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."  
- Abraham Lincoln

A speaker asks a rhetorical question when they are trying to make a point, instead of actually seeking an answer.

An example of a rhetorical question is "why me?"

