Word of the week w/c 27th February 2023

Pathetic Fallacy

A literary term for the attribution of human emotion and conduct to things found in nature that are not human.



English KEY PHRASE

What is Pathetic Fallacy?

- The weather reflects a character's emotions.
- The writer makes a connection between human emotion and the appearance of the landscape or the behaviour of the weather.
- It is as if the environment shares human emotions or is somehow aware of people.
 E.g. Lovers meet in sunshine; a teenager is thrown out of home in a rain storm.