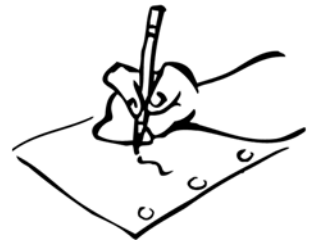


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Anaphora

Anaphora is a specific form of parallel structure which is created by repeating a word or phrase at the beginning of successive phrases, clauses, or sentences in order to create emphasis. While anaphora refers specifically to repetition, as you can see in the passage below, anaphora is often paired up with parallel structure. The passage below is the opening of *A Tale of Two Cities* by Charles Dickens. Underline the Anaphora.

It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity, it was the season of Light, it was the season of Darkness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair, we had everything before us, we had nothing before us, we were all going direct to Heaven, we were all going direct the other way – in short, the period was so far like the present period, that some of its noisiest authorities insisted on its being received, for good or for evil, in the superlative degree of comparison only.

What is the parallel grammatical structure? _____
