

Literal and Figurative Meaning: Thomas Paine's The Crisis

"...These are the times that try men's souls: The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of his country: but he that stands it NOW deserves the love and thanks of man and woman..."

These famous words are from Thomas Paine's pamphlet *The Crisis*. They helped galvanize the American public to support the war for independence. In the quote above, Paine uses figurative language in describing the "sunshine patriot". It not meant to be taken literally (exactly how it sounds), but rather figuratively (a representation of the opposite of how Americans should act during the war). Draw the literal translation of the "Sunshine Patriot" and the figurative meaning (the way it is intended to be interpreted) in the spaces provided below.

Literal Translation (How it is actually written) of "Sunshine Patriot"	Figurative Translation (What Thomas Paine really means in describing the "Sunshine Patriot")
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