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# Similes & Metaphors

***1) Diagnostic:*** *What do you already know?*

**Categorize** each of the sentences below as either a **simile (s)** or **metaphor (m)**. Leave the ‘correction column’ blank for now. *Have a go, even if you are unsure.*

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| **LYRICS** | **Diagnostic***Simile or* *metaphor?* | **Correction***After copying rule* |
| 1. “Love is an open door” *(Frozen)*. |  |  |
|  2. “I came in like a wrecking ball” *(Miley Cyrus)*. |  |  |
| 3. “We push and pull like a magnet do” *(Ed Sheeran)*. |  |  |
| 4. “Just gonna stand there and watch me burn. But that's alright, because I like the way it hurts” *(Rihanna)*. |  |  |
| 5. “Shake it like a polaroid picture” *(Outkast)*. |  |  |
| 6. “I’m the glue” *(Travis Scott)*. |  |  |

## 2a) Key Terms: Definitions

**Fill in the gaps** to complete the definitions. Next, provide **two examples** of each technique.

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| **WORDS:** | different | like | NOT | words | comparison | as | things |
| **SIMILE** | **METAPHOR** |
| A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of two different \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that uses the words “\_\_\_\_” or “\_\_”. | A comparison of two \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ things that DOES \_\_\_\_ use the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ “like or “as”. |
| **“He eats like a pig”** | **“She is a snake”** |
| Your Examples: | Your Examples: |
| 1.2. | 1.2. |

**Finished?** Use the definitions above to correct your diagnostic task.

***3a) Identify:*** *Similes & Metaphors*

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| **Simile** | **Metaphor** |
| *Shade Yellow* | *Shade Blue* |

**Circle** the words being compared and then **highlight** the text to indicate whether they are similes or metaphors.

**Example:** “You could make out his eyes, glinting **like** black beetles under all that hair“

*(Harry Potter and the Philosophers Stone by JK Rowling)*

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| ***Text Extract*** | *Simile or Metaphor?* |
| **1.** *“You ain’t nothing but a hound dog, cryin’ all the time” (Hound Dog by Elvis Presley).* |  |
| **2.** *“I float like a butterfly, sting like a bee” (Muhammad Ali, 1974).* |  |
| **3.** *"The sun was a toddler insistently refusing to go to bed: It was past eight thirty and still light” (Fault in Our Stars by John Green).* |  |
| **4.** *“The other was fair as can be, with great masses of golden hair and eyes like pale sapphires.” (Dracula by Bram Stoker).* |  |
| **5.** *“All the world’s a stage, and all the men and women merely players.” (As You Like It by William Shakespeare).* |  |
| **6.** *“The parents looked upon Matilda in particular as nothing more than a scab. A scab is something you have to put up with until the time comes when you can pick it off and flick it away.” (Matilda by Roald Dahl)* |  |
| ***7.*** *“Time has not stood still. It has washed over me, washed me away, as if I’m nothing more than a woman of sand, left by a careless child too near the water.” (The Handmaid’s Tale by Margaret Atwood).* |  |

**Finished?** Which is your favourite example from the list above and why?



***4) Application:*** *Level Up!*

You don’t have to already be an author, recording artist, comedian,

YouTube personality or politician to put similes and metaphors into use.

They are techniques for **upgrading your language** and are lots of fun to use.

Follow the examples below to **transform** these common sentiments **using first a simile** and then **a metaphor.** *One example is done for you.*

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| Statement | Level 1 (Simile) | Level 2 (Metaphor) |
| 1. My friend is mean. | My friend is as mean as Regina George. | My friend is so cold she gets frostbite in summer. |
| 2. I was angry, so I quit.  | I rage quit like a boss. |  |
| 3. My team won, we were happy. |  |  |
| 4. We lost in the last second. |  |  |
| 5. Learning is important |  |  |
| 6. I love my family. |  |  |
| 7. I felt really frustrated waiting. |  |  |
| *8. Your scenario #1* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |
| *9. Your scenario #2*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |

## 5a) Application: Creative Task

On the previous page, circle your favourite simile or metaphor.

Use this line to respond to one of the prompts below. Tick choice ( ).

* *Write a diary entry using your favourite simile / metaphor or*
* *Write a protest song using at least three similes / metaphors or*
* *Write a short story set in your room using at least one simile and one metaphor or* ❑ *Write a new team song for your favourite sport team using 4+ similes / metaphors.*

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***b) Exit Ticket***

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*Challenge*

**Watch** the [‘Simile and Metaphor Super Edit’ a](https://youtu.be/J4MhnxKGfag)nd **record how many** similes and metaphors you hear. *Answers appear in the second viewing.*

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| **# OF SIMILES:** |  | **# OF METAPHORS:** |  |