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Similes and Metaphors: Learn and Practice

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Read each question. Circle the best answer.

💡 Similes and Metaphors

- A simile compares two things using like or as.
- A metaphor says one thing is another to show how they are alike.
- Use the sentences around it to figure out what the comparison means.
- Simile: as quiet as a mouse. Metaphor: the room was an oven.

1 Which sentence is a metaphor?

A. The classroom was very loud.

B. We visited the zoo today.

C. The classroom was like a zoo.

D. The classroom was a zoo today.

2 What two things are compared? Dad's snoring is a freight train.

A. sleep and night B. snoring and a train

C. a train and a track D. Dad and a bed

3 Read: The new kid was as quiet as a mouse at lunch. What does this tell us?

A. He was very small B. He liked cheese

C. He was hiding D. He was very quiet

4 A simile compares using which words?

A. is or was B. and or but C. like or as

D. if or then

5 Which sentence uses a metaphor to show someone is fast?

A. Mila runs quickly. B. Mila runs like a rocket.

C. Mila is a rocket on the soccer field.

D. Mila likes rockets.

6 What does it mean? After the hike, my legs were jelly.

A. My legs were very strong

B. My legs were covered in jelly

C. My legs felt weak and wobbly

D. I ate jelly after the hike

7 Which sentence is a simile?

A. Her smile was as bright as the sun.

B. The sun is a star. C. Her smile was bright.

D. She smiled at the sun.

8 Which sentence is a simile?

A. The baby slept well. B. The log was heavy.

C. The baby slept like a log. D. The baby is a log.

✏️ Explain it! In your own words, write the rule for similes and metaphors and one example.

ANSWER KEY

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D. The classroom was a zoo today.

It says the classroom was a zoo, without like or as.

2 What two things are compared? Dad's snoring is a freight train.

A. sleep and night **B. snoring and a train**

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The metaphor compares the loud snoring to a noisy train.

3 Read: The new kid was as quiet as a mouse at lunch. What does this tell us?

A. He was very small B. He liked cheese

C. He was hiding **D. He was very quiet**

Mice are quiet, so the simile tells us he barely made a sound.

4 A simile compares using which words?

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Similes use like or as to make a comparison.

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A. Mila runs quickly. B. Mila runs like a rocket.

C. Mila is a rocket on the soccer field.

D. Mila likes rockets.

It says Mila is a rocket, with no like or as. That is a metaphor.

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Jelly is wobbly. The metaphor shows tired, shaky legs.

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It uses as to compare her smile to the sun.

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Like compares how the baby slept to a log that does not move.