

Similes and Metaphors

Metaphors and similes compare objects using words.

Similes use "like" or "as" in their comparisons.

Metaphors simply say one object is something else.

Read each sentence to decide if it is an example of a simile or metaphor.

Write "s" on the line if it is a simile; write "m" on the line for a metaphor.

The lady was an angry rattlesnake ready to strike. _____

His dog was as furry as a wooly sheep. _____

The tornado was a vacuum cleaner, sucking up all it its path. _____

The rainwater spilled over the roof like a waterfall. _____

The horse pulled the cart like a child pulling a wagon full of toys. _____

My dad was a delighted child playing with the train set. _____

This bedroom is a junk yard of litter and trash! _____

He was like a hungry wolf waiting for his prey. _____

The smooth water of the lake is a mirror of nature. _____

She ran like a cheetah barely touching the forest floor. _____

On the line below, make up a simile or metaphor of your own. Read it to a friend to see if he/she can determine if you wrote a simile or a metaphor.

When identifying similes and metaphors, I feel:

_____ confident _____ unsure _____ I need help.

