



Metaphors and Similes

METAPHOR	SIMILE
<p>A metaphor compares two things with similar qualities by saying one thing is the other.</p>	<p>A simile compares two things using LIKE or AS.</p>
<p>This cereal is a rainbow of flavors.</p>	<p>This room is as hot as an oven.</p>
<p>The classroom was a zoo.</p>	<p>He's crazy like a fox.</p>

◇ We often use animals in similes and metaphors.

EXAMPLES

SIMILE

1. He's as big as a bear.
2. She's as messy as a pig.
3. He climbs trees like a monkey.

METAPHOR

1. That man is a bear.
2. She is a pig.
3. When he climbs, he is a monkey.

◇ We often use similes and metaphors to exaggerate.

EXAMPLES

SIMILE

1. This room is as hot as an oven.
2. He's as dumb as a rock.
3. That car is as fast as lightning.

METAPHOR

1. This room is an oven.
2. He has a rock for a brain.
3. That car is lightning.



Conversation

◇ Write some sentences using metaphors and similes.

Metaphors

Ex. brother My brother is a rock star.

1. boss _____

2. father _____

3. significant other _____

4. friend _____

5. mother _____

6. English teacher _____

Similes

Ex. ocean This bathtub is as big as an ocean.

1. flower _____

2. fire _____

3. kitten _____

4. elephant _____

5. fish _____

6. volcano _____



Conversation

◇ Write 2 TRUE things and 1 FALSE thing.

Metaphors (just one sentence)

Work Life

Ex. *My job is a disaster.* _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Family Life

Ex. *My house is an unending rock concert.* _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Similes (just one sentence)

High School Life

Ex. *My math class was as fun as going to the dentist.* _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Your Hometown

Ex. *Okazaki is as nice as Nagoya.* _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Metaphors or Similes (just one sentence)

Japan

Ex. *Japan is as beautiful as a flower.* _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Your last vacation

Ex. *Hawaii was a paradise.* _____

1. _____


2. _____

3. _____



Conversation

◇ Choose a topic and write 3 questions about it.

 **Topic 1: CARS**

1. What kind of cars do you like?


I like cars that are as fast as lightning.

2. What company makes the best cars?

Mercedes cars are the gods of cars.

Write your own question.

How many cars do you have?

 **Topic 1: HOME**

1. What do you like about your home?

2. What do you hate about your home?

Write your own question.

 **Topic 2: NEW YEARS**

1. What do you think of New Year's food?

2. What do you think of hatsumode (going to a shrine at the start of the new year)?

Write your own question.

 **Topic 3: RESTAURANTS**

1. What is the best restaurant?

2. What is the worst restaurant?

Write your own question.