Simile and Metaphor

Literary device where you compare two different things.

WHY USE A SIMILE OR A METAPHOR?

- Create vivid imagery, evoke emotion, illuminate the person, object or emotion being described
 - Paint a picture for your reader
 - Shorten paragraphs or sentences
 - Establish a mood or atmosphere

SIMILE

Compares 2 things with *like* or as.

The sun warmed me like a cup of hot chocolate.

The tree was as colorful as an artist's paint pallet.

Similes that are Cliches

- As light as a feather
- As cold as ice
- As hungry as a bear
- As quiet as a...
- Laughed like a hyena
- Sparkled like diamonds
- Worked like a horse
- As white as snow
- As sly as a fox

Write a Simile

My example:

• The leaf fell from the tree <u>like</u> a tiny dancer spinning and twirling on the wind.

Yours:

• The leaf fell...

METAPHOR

Compares one thing to another as though they were the same. *(this is this)*

The sunset was a brilliant campfire in the sky.

Her eyes were glistening jewels.

More Metaphors

• Anne is a walking encyclopedia.

• A rocket of a man shot past me at the finish line.

• The arthritic car squeaked, rattled, and moaned down the road.

Write a Metaphor

My example:

• The storm was a roaring tiger that ravaged (destroyed) our town.

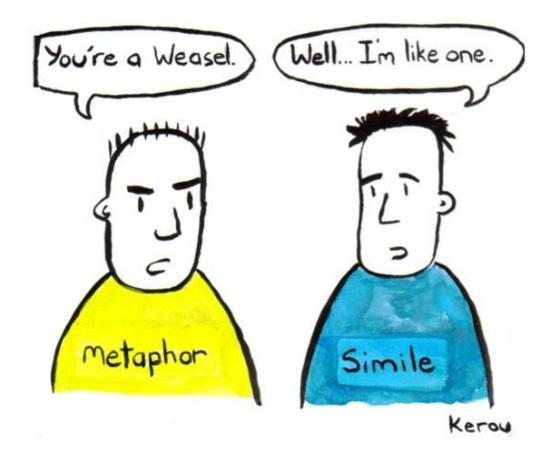
Yours: (Pick one.)

• The cloud, the storm, the sky...

The Difference

• Simile: The wind was <u>like</u> a hand gently combing through my hair .

• Metaphor: The wind <u>was</u> a cruel hand pulling on my hair.



All About ALLITERATION

What are they? Give me a guess.

Alliterations

Alliteration is the repetition of consonants or similar sounding letters at the beginnings of words.

- <u>Sugar makes the sauce sweeter.</u>
- Wet Wednesdays are the worst.
- <u>Cold Kool-Aid calms the cold.</u>

hit the hay

fall head over heels

dead as a doornail

Clichés or Sayings

more the merrier

live and learn

sink or swim

close call

Examples in songs and poems we might know...

"Our Song" Our song is a <u>s</u>lamming <u>s</u>creen door, <u>S</u>neakin' out late, tapping on your window

"She Walks in Beauty" She walks in beauty, like the night Of <u>c</u>loudless <u>c</u>limes and <u>s</u>tarry <u>s</u>kies; We use alliterations to help with rhythm in a poem or to emphasize a phrase.



Nature's first green is gold, Her hardest hue to hold. Her early leaf's a flower; But only so an hour. Then leaf subsides to leaf. So Eden sank to grief, So dawn goes down to day. Nothing gold can stay.

Bim comes. Ben comes. Bim brings Ben's broom. Ben brings Bim's broom.

Ben bends Bim's broom. Bim bends Ben's broom. Bim's bends. Ben's bends. Ben's bent broom breaks. Bim's bent broom breaks.

Ben's band. Bim's band. Big bands. Pig bands.

Bim and Ben lead bands with brooms. Ben's band bangs and Bim's band booms.

Pig band! Boom band! Big band! Broom band! My poor mouth can't say that. No, sir. My poor mouth is much too slow, sir.

Fox in Socks By Dr. Seuss

Luke Luck likes lakes. Luke's duck likes lakes. Luke Luck licks lakes. Luck's duck licks lakes.

NAME ALLITERATION: MARK

1. Think of some verbs that begin with "m," and write them in the margin of your notes sheet.

2. Think of some adjectives and adverbs that begin with "m," and write them in the margin of your notes sheet.

3. Write an original sentence about a noun that begins with "m/M" that contains alliteration on your notes sheet.

PERSONIFICATION

<u>Personification</u> is giving human traits (qualities, feelings, action, or characteristics) to non-human objects (things, colors, qualities, or ideas).

(Human Traits)

(Object)

Example: The window winked at me. The verb, wink, is a human action. A window is a non-living object.

=Person-ification



Examples of **PERSONIFICATION**

The tea kettle screamed.

Wind raced through the empty branches.

The furnace growled into action and smiled at me with its grated front teeth.



More Examples

- It was time to go but the bell refused to ring.
- The angry sky growled.
- The freshly baked cookies dragged me to the kitchen with their enticing smell.
- Can you think of more?
 - The old smelly shoe
 - Favorite shirt
 - Clouds
 - Clock
 - Book
 - Telephone

ONOMATOPOEIA

- Words that imitate the sounds they represent.
- Like in the old batman movies...

MORE:

buzz zip bang pow

Can you think of any others?



Hyperbole

- A figure of speech using exaggeration for special effect
- There were a million people ahead of me in line.
- I almost died from embarrassment.
- · I'm so hungry I could eat a horse.
- "I know why the caged bird beats his wing Till its blood is red on the cruel bars"
 - "Sympathy" by Paul Laurence Dunbar



