

# Simile

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# What is a Simile?

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A simile is a figure of speech that makes a comparison, showing similarities between two different things. Unlike a metaphor, a simile draws resemblance with the help of the words “like” or “as.” Therefore, it is a direct comparison.



Jake is as wise  
as an owl

# Common Examples of Simile

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- John is as slow as a snail.
- Our soldiers are as brave as lions.
- Her cheeks are red like a rose.
- He is as funny as a monkey.

# Modern Examples of Similes

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An example of this includes a line from Rihanna's song, "Diamonds:"

*"You and I, you and I,  
We're like diamonds in the sky"*

Here is an example of a simile being used in a popular American newspaper.

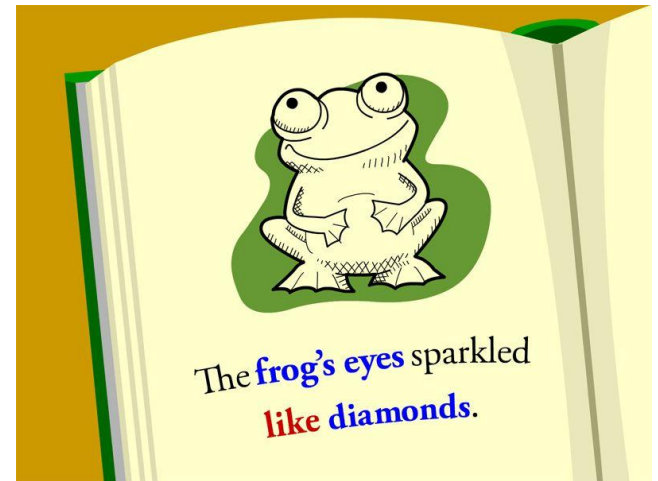
*Happy as a Clam*

This is a popular simile used in writing, and it describes someone who is extremely happy.

# The Function of Similes

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- making writing more interesting
- making writing more concise
- expression of comparison
- giving greater significance to the text
- Similes add layered meaning and interest to writing



# Two things are compared directly by using 'like' (A is like B.).

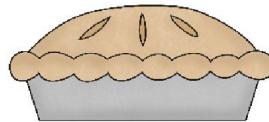
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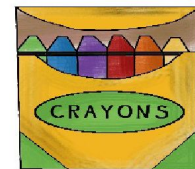
- A is (not) like B
- A is more/less than B
- A is as ... as B
- A is similar to B
- A is ..., so is B
- A does ..., so does B

Simile

A simile is a comparison of two things using the words like or as.



as sweet as pie



colorful like crayons

*Fit these adjectives into the sentences below*

Fast flat slippery pale sharp wise  
black blind thin colourful light noisy

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1. Without his glasses, he's as \_\_\_\_\_ as a bat.
2. That's a pretty dress! It's as \_\_\_\_\_ as a rainbow.
3. Be quiet. You are as \_\_\_\_\_ as a  
herd of elephants.
4. Are you feeling sick? You are as \_\_\_\_\_ as a ghost.
5. Her hands are dirty. They are as \_\_\_\_\_ as night.
6. She's quick. She's as \_\_\_\_\_ as lightning.

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7. After he squashed it, it was as \_\_\_\_\_ as a pancake.

8. I can't grab it. It's as \_\_\_\_\_ as an eel.

9. She is so skinny. She's as \_\_\_\_\_ as a toothpick.

10. Don't touch that broken glass. It's as \_\_\_\_\_ as a  
razor.

11. It doesn't weigh much. It's as \_\_\_\_\_ as  
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# Thanks for your attention!

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*Let's sing a song!*

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