

**Self-Starters: October 27-31**  
*Principle: Figurative Language Week #1*  
**Directions:** Copy down these three definitions.  
**Figurative Language:** Non-literal or figurative language is the use of words or phrases in a way that exaggerates or alters their usual meaning.  
**Simile:** a comparison of two unlike things that uses like or as  
example: Her eyes are like stars.  
**Metaphor:** a comparison of two unlike things that **doesn't** use like or as.  
example: His eyes are stars.

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**Directions:** Decide if the sentences below are similes for just descriptions. Write simile or description for each sentence.


1. Johnny Cade is like the gang's puppy.
2. Soda likes Sandy.
3. Ponyboy's dreams haunt Darry like a ghost.
4. The boys don't eat well, for breakfast they have things like chocolate cake.
5. Pony's dreams of running track might fade away as the smoke from his cigarettes.
6. Darry seems a lot like my big brother.

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1. Samuel Bass is like Solomon's life line.
2. Solomon likes playing the violin.
3. Solomon's memories of freedom are fading like the sunset.
4. Edwin Epps underestimates Solomon; just like Tybaut did.
5. If Solomon sees his family again, they might think of him as a Zombie brought back from the dead.
6. Solmon seems a lot like my dad.

Simile & Metaphor Quiz is postponed until Monday.

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**Directions:** Write a simile or metaphor to describe these clouds.



**Simile & Metaphor Quiz**  
**Directions:** Remove everything from your desk except for your self-starters.

**Figurative Language**

**1. Which definition describes figurative language?**

- a. A description that you don't take literally.
- b. A comparison using like or as.
- c. A comparison that doesn't use like or as.

**2. Which description uses figurative language?**

- a. The clouds were fluffy.
- b. It's so fluffy, I'm gonna die!
- c. The clouds are gray.
- d. The clouds are in the sky.

**Simile**

**3. Which definition describes a simile?**

- a. A description that you don't take literally.
- b. A comparison using like or as.
- c. A comparison that doesn't use like or as.

**4. Which description is a simile?**

- a. Voting day is a battle.
- b. Voting day is like today bro!
- c. Voting is like choosing your own destiny.
- d. Voting makes me sick.

**Simile**

**5. Write a simile about Halloween.**

**Metaphor**

**6. Which definition describes a metaphor?**

- a. A description that you don't take literally.
- b. A comparison using like or as.
- c. A comparison that doesn't use like or as.

**7. Which description is a metaphor?**

- a. Voting day is a battle.
- b. Voting day is like today bro!
- c. Voting is like choosing your own destiny.
- d. Voting makes me sick.

**Metaphor**

**8. Write a metaphor about Thanksgiving.**

**Simile & Metaphor**

**9. How can you spot a simile?**

- a. It uses like or as.
- b. It acts like an = sign
- c. It should not be taken literally.

**10. Which of our three vocabulary words is like an umbrella?**

- a. Metaphor
- b. Simile
- c. Figurative Language