

Figurative Language

Similes are comparisons that show how two things that are not alike in most ways are similar in one important way. Similes are a way to describe something. Authors use them to make their writing more interesting or entertaining.

Similes use the words "as" or "like" to make the connection between the two things that are being compared.

Examples:

Playing chess with Ashley is **like** trying to outsmart a computer.

His temper was **as explosive as** a volcano.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

The stage lights are so bright.

How bright are they?

(A) They are as bright as the noonday sun.

(B) They are as bright as the nose on my face.

(C) They are as bright as a banana.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

This week I've been so busy.

How busy have you been?

- (A) She's been as busy as a bee.
- (B) She's been as busy as a turnip.
- (C) She's been as busy as a sloth.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

This morning when I woke up, the sun was shining, and the sky was so clear.

How clear was it?

- (A) It was clear as mud.
- (B) It was as clear as a bell.
- (C) It was as clear as a traffic jam.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

My friend Jack never gets mad. He is
always so cool.

How cool is he?

- (A) He's as cool as a cucumber.
- (B) He's as cool as a jalapeno pepper.
- (C) He's as cool as fire.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

My older sister dropped her contact lens, and
it was so hard to find

How hard to find was it?

- (A) It was like trying to find a bull in a china shop.
- (B) It was like trying to find a tent at the circus.
- (C) It was like trying to find a needle in a haystack.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

After the long winter, I finally got out in the sun, and my skin was so white.

How white was it?

- (A) It was as white as night.
- (B) It was as white as new fallen snow.
- (C) It was as white as an orange.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

My dog is so fast.

How fast is she?

- (A) She's as fast as a bolt of lightning.
- (B) She's as fast as a drop of molasses.
- (C) She's as fast as a snail.

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Last week I went water-skiing, and the water was so smooth.

How smooth was it?

- (A) It was as smooth as sandpaper.
- (B) It was as smooth as glass.
- (C) It was as smooth as burlap.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

My sister talks so much.

How much does she talk?

- (A) She talks so much that she sounds like a chattering monkey.
- (B) She talks so much that she sounds like a fluffy bunny.
- (C) She talks so much that she sounds like a barking dog.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

Last night I slept so well.

How well did you sleep?

- (A) I slept like an all-night convenience store.
- (B) I slept like a log.
- (C) I slept like a band saw.

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My brother accidentally sat on my science project, and now it is so flat.

How flat is it?

- (A) It is as flat as a pancake.
- (B) It's as flat as a watermelon.
- (C) It's as flat as an apple.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

My five-hundred-page math book is so heavy.

How heavy is it?

- (A) It's as heavy as a feather.
- (B) It's as heavy as a pea.
- (C) It's as heavy as a lead ball.

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After baseball practice, I was so stiff.

How stiff were you?

- (A) He was as stiff as a board.
- (B) He was as stiff as spaghetti.
- (C) She was stiff as a rope.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

My friend Joe is so strong.

How strong is he?

- (A) He's as strong as a rabbit.
- (B) He's as strong as a lamb.
- (C) He's as strong as an ox.

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My mother's chocolate cake is so sweet.

How sweet is it?

- (A) It's as sweet as honey.
- (B) It's as sweet as garlic.
- (C) It's as sweet as a lemon.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

The fire alarm was so loud.

How loud was it?

- (A) It was as loud as thunder.
- (B) It was as loud as a whisper.
- (C) It was as loud as a library.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

The end of my pencil is so sharp.

How sharp is it?

- (A) It is as sharp as a cucumber.
- (B) It is as sharp as a basketball.
- (C) It is as sharp as a tack.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

My new ball bounces so high.

How high does it bounce?

- (A) It bounces as high as an elephant's eye.
- (B) It bounces as high as an ant's eye.
- (C) It bounces as high as a beetle's shoulder.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

My throat is so dry.

How dry is it?

- (A) It's as dry as rain.
- (B) It's as dry as the ocean.
- (C) It's as dry as the desert.

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My shoes are so old.

How old are they?

- (A) They are as old as a fossil.
- (B) They are as old as a newborn baby.
- (C) They are as old as cookies, fresh from the oven.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

The storm appeared so quickly.

How quickly did it appear?

- (A) It appeared as quick as a stare.
- (B) It appeared as quick as molasses.
- (C) It appeared as quick as a wink.

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Being in a country where you don't speak the language is so strange.

How strange is it?

- (A) It's like being a bird in the sky.
- (B) It's like being a monkey in a tree.
- (C) It's like being a fish out of water.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

When my ring fell into the pool it sank so fast.

How fast did it sink?

- (A) It sank like a rock.
- (B) It sank like a life jacket.
- (C) It sank like a cork.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

My family is so busy getting ready to move.

How busy were they?

- (A) They were as busy as snails.
- (B) They were as busy as beavers.
- (C) They were as busy as slugs.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

The morning air smells so sweet.

How sweet does it smell?

- (A) It smells as sweet as a garbage dump.
- (B) It smells as sweet as sliced lemons.
- (C) It smells as sweet as a rose.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

My grandmother's eyes are so blue.

How blue are they?

- (A) They are as blue as the sea.
- (B) They are as blue as a bouncing banana.
- (C) They are as blue as the desert.

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Read the riddle and find the correct simile.

My new boots are so black.

How black are they?

- (A) They are as black as a stop sign.
- (B) They are as black as coal.
- (C) They are as black as a blade of grass.

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