

simile

Comparing one thing to another using 'like' or 'as'.

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The boy ran **as** fast **as** a cheetah.

Sarah marched **like** a soldier on parade through the supermarket.

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metaphor

Comparing one thing to another by saying it is something else.

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Stuart **was** a brick wall in goal.

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onomatopoeia

A word that imitates the sound it represents.

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hiss, plop, sizzle, bang

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sensory writing

Writing that describes what you can taste, touch, see, hear and smell.

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The milk was sour and **smelt** putrid. I **felt** nauseous and could **hear** my heart pounding as I ran to the bathroom and **saw** my pale face in the mirror.

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place phrase

A sentence opener that tells us the location of something.

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By the tree, a dog was panting.

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verb opener

An 'ing' word that starts a sentence.

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Running quickly, the man pushed through the crowds.

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adverb opener

A 'ly' word that starts a sentence.

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Loudly screaming, the toddler reached for its mum.

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personification

Giving an inanimate object human qualities.

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Towering **menacingly** above me, the statue **watched** my every move.

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juxtaposition

Two opposing ideas or themes that are placed close together for contrasting effect.

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The tired and dishevelled girl slammed the till closed and, with a hand of bitten and stubby nails, placed the change in the manicured hand of the brightly dressed and over-perfumed girl who had ordered the drink.

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