

# WRITING RESOURCES



# SIMILES

A simile is a figure of speech that uses the word "as" or "like." Figures of speech are used like adjectives or adverbs. They modify or describe a person, place, thing, or action with a colorful and often visual term or phrase. Creative writers and poets make good use of these. The following are frequently used similes.

## SIMILES USING "AS"

as bright as the noonday sun  
as busy as a bee  
as clear as a bell  
as clear as day  
as clear as the nose on your face  
as cool as a cucumber  
as certain as death and taxes  
as cold as ice  
as comfortable as an old shoe  
as cute as a button  
as cuddly as a baby  
as dark as night  
as deaf as a doorpost  
as dry as a bone  
as deep as the ocean  
as fat as a pig  
as flat as a pancake  
as fresh as dew  
as innocent as a newborn baby  
as green as grass  
as hard as rock  
as hard as nails  
as happy as a lark  
as hungry as a bear  
as loud as thunder  
as light as a feather  
as lovely as a rose  
as meek as a lamb  
as quick as a wink  
as quiet as a mouse  
as rough as sandpaper  
as smooth as glass  
as strong as an ox  
as soft as old leather  
as sly as a fox  
as stubborn as a mule

as smart as a whip  
as soft as silk  
as skinny as a rail  
as slow as molasses in January  
as stiff as a board  
as sweet as honey  
as white as new fallen snow

## SIMILES USING "LIKE"

acts like a bull in a china shop  
eat like it's going out of style  
eat like a pig  
chatters like a monkey  
cry like a baby  
cheeks like roses  
drinks like a fish  
eats like a bird  
eyes like stars  
feel like two cents  
fits like a glove  
fought like cats and dogs  
laugh like a hyena  
moves like a snail  
run around like a chicken with its head  
cut off  
run like a deer  
sing like a bird  
slept like a log  
stood out like a sore thumb  
sit there like a bump on a log  
spoke like an orator  
sparkled like diamonds  
walk like an elephant  
work like a dog  
waddle like a duck  
works like a charm

# “ONOMATOPOEIA”

EEE!

## WORDS THAT POP!

Read the words below. Their sounds reflect their meanings.

OOO! <sup>AW!</sup>  
KLINK! SMASH! ULP!  
HISS! KERPLOP! WHOOS!  
SWISH! BONKI CLATTER! BASHI BOOM!  
WOWEEE! CLACK!  
CROAK! SCREECH! BANG! SCRUNCH!  
OIK! KLUNK! THWACK! BOI  
SPLAT! OCH! OI! WOW! YELP!  
CLANG! BOOM!  
YUK! P O M AAAGH!  
SLURP! BOOFI YIP! KLONP  
KOING! GRUNTI SPLOT! WEEE! SHAZAM!  
GULP!  
ZAP! KERRUNCH! YAROO! CRACKLE!  
WIZ! CRACK! SPLOSH! TWEET!  
CRASH