

# AWESOME ALLITERATION, METAPHORS, SIMILES, AND MORE!

## *Skillbuilder*

### Reproducible Activity Book



**“All children are natural-born writers!  
ALL children CAN write!”**  
**This program is the key!**

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# AWESOME ALLITERATION

**Alliteration** is the use of the same letter or sound at the beginning of neighboring words.

Have you ever heard "Sally sells seashells by the seashore," or "'Round the rock the ragged rascal ran?" These are both examples of alliteration.

**Using the word bank below complete the following alliterative sentences.**

**Glenda  
Rugged  
Bubbles  
Ranchers**

**Snakes  
Betty  
Swans**

**Goopy  
Big  
Swiftly**

**Rope  
Songs  
Gobs**

1. Silly \_\_\_\_\_ swam \_\_\_\_\_ singing silly \_\_\_\_\_  
about sly \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ blew \_\_\_\_\_ blue \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Giddy \_\_\_\_\_ grabbed \_\_\_\_\_ of green \_\_\_\_\_  
grapes.
4. Rowdy \_\_\_\_\_ wrapped \_\_\_\_\_ on red \_\_\_\_\_ rocks.

Now illustrate your favorite alliterative sentence!

Sometimes we  
call sentences with  
lots of alliteration  
"tongue twisters."

# Mighty Mountain Metaphors

A **metaphor** compares two things that are not alike in most ways but are similar in some way. When you write, use metaphors to make your writing more entertaining and fun! When you use metaphors in your writing, you are stating that something "is" something else.

## Examples:

Her stomach *is an endless pit*.

In the wintertime, my bedroom *is an igloo*.

She *has a heart of gold*.

REMEMBER  
"like" and "as"  
are not used in  
metaphors!

## Underline the metaphors in the sentences below.

My mom grilled me about the missing cookies.

The rain was a shower pouring down on us!

The wind was a sharp, icy knife.

**In the grid below, illustrate the first two metaphors, and then come up with two of your own. Be sure to write your metaphors in the boxes before you illustrate them.**

That car is a real lemon!	She's a real couch potato during Saturday morning cartoons!

# Metaphor vs. Simile

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Unlike **similes** that use the words “as” or “like” to make a comparison, **metaphors** state that something *is* something else. When you think of similes remember the key word “similar.” Similar means that two things are alike in many ways but they are not identical.

## So remember:

- **Similes** compare using the words “like” and “as.”
- **Metaphors** directly compare two things by stating that “something” *is* “something else.”
- Both are used in everyday language, stories, and poems to help make what we hear and read more colorful and entertaining.

**Use what you know! Write an “S” beside the following sentence if it is a simile and an “M” beside the sentence if it is a metaphor.**

1. Her fingers were as cold as ice. \_\_\_\_\_
2. She must have been carrying rocks in her bag, it was so heavy. \_\_\_\_\_
3. He wakes up in the morning like an angry bear! \_\_\_\_\_
4. He’s a clown when he gets around little kids. \_\_\_\_\_
5. She finally wrapped up the mystery of the missing diary. \_\_\_\_\_
6. This candy bar is like pure sugar! \_\_\_\_\_
7. She’s a sweetie pie for always being so helpful. \_\_\_\_\_
8. My dog moves as slow as a snail. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Her baby brother is silly as a goose. \_\_\_\_\_
10. That car moves so fast it is almost like a jet. \_\_\_\_\_