

Max's Figurative Language Challenge

Learning objective: To identify and use similes, metaphors, and personification to add description to writing.

Max the monkey has found a collection of jumbled-up sentences! Some are similes (comparing using 'like' or 'as'), some are metaphors (saying something IS something else), and some are personification (giving human qualities to objects). For each sentence, identify which type of figurative language is being used and then rewrite the sentence to make it even more exciting.

Word bank: Simile · Metaphor · Personification

1. 'The wind howled through the trees.'

Type: _____

Your improved version: (2 marks)

2. 'He was as brave as a lion.'

Type: _____

Your improved version: (2 marks)

3. 'The snowflakes were a white blanket over the town.'

Type: _____

Your improved version: (2 marks)

4. 'The old floorboards groaned under my feet.'

Type: _____

Your improved version: (2 marks)

5. 'Her smile was like a ray of sunshine.'

Type: _____

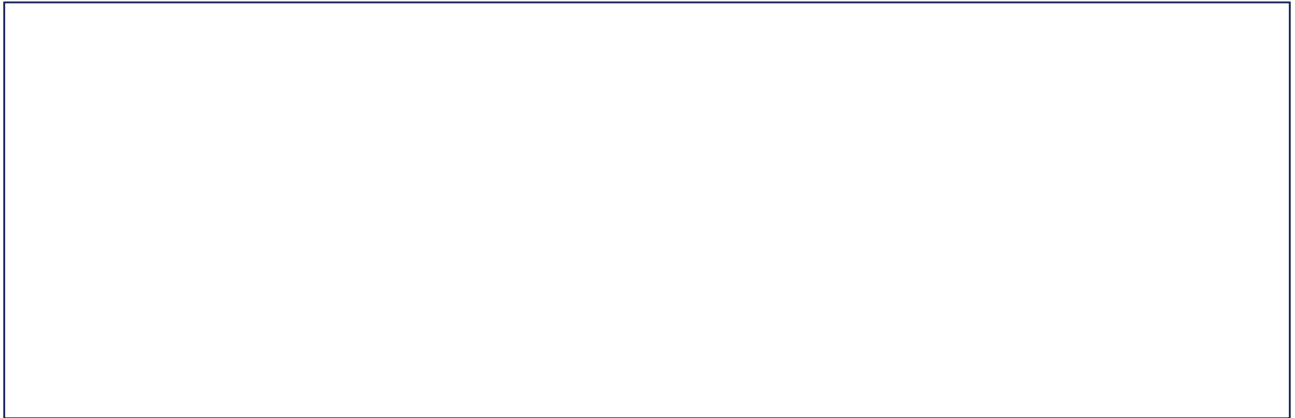
Your improved version: (2 marks)

6. 'The classroom was a zoo.'

Type: _____

Your improved version: (2 marks)

Draw: Choose your favorite metaphor or simile from the list above and draw a picture showing what the sentence is describing!



Extension challenge: Can you write a short paragraph describing a stormy sea using at least one simile, one metaphor, and one example of personification?