# Paint the Picture: Exploring Figurative Language with Zara

*Learning objective: To identify and illustrate similes and metaphors by creating a visual scene based on descriptive language.*

Read the sentences below. Use your imagination to draw the scene exactly as described. Use the word bank to label the different parts of your drawing to show you understand how these phrases create a clear picture.

**Draw: Draw a nighttime landscape scene. In the centre, draw Zara the zebra looking up at the sky. Include a large, circular moon, a mountain range in the background, and many small, bright stars. Use a 'story-book' illustration style with bold outlines and soft colours. Ensure the moon looks like a coin and the stars look like scattered jewels.**

*Label words: Simile · Metaphor · Golden coin · Velvet sky · Sparkling stars · Sleeping giant*

### Steps:

1. Identify the simile in the passage. Write it down here.
2. Identify one metaphor from the passage. Write it down here.
3. Why do you think the author called the mountain a 'sleeping giant'? Explain how this helps the reader picture the mountain.

4. Draw a 'diamond' star in your picture. Label it with the word 'Simile' because you are comparing the star to a diamond.

5. Draw the mountain. Label it 'Metaphor' to show that you are describing it as a giant, not just comparing it.