METAPHORS 1

Metaphors provide a visual description of a thing or quality. An example of a metaphor is, “That car is a dinosaur”. The car is not actually a dinosaur, but it has the same qualities as a dinosaur: it is from an earlier time period, and it is very big.

**Directions:** Read each sentence below. Circle the metaphor in each sentence. Then rewrite each sentence without the metaphor, to show what is actually happening.

1. Karen was a bulldozer walking through the garden.


3. When Mary’s mother won the lottery they were swimming in money.

4. Teri’s temper boiled over.

5. Penny’s eyes were stars.

6. A storm of thoughts gathered in his head.

7. George’s mother said he was a bull in a china shop.

8. “Did a bomb explode in your bedroom?” Jordan’s mother asked.

9. Rachel was at a crossroads; should she continue to take piano lessons or join the soccer team?

10. It was an unfamiliar idea, and Tom needed some time to digest it.