Figurative language uses images and comparisons to describe things. A metaphor is figurative language. Another kind of figurative language is called a simile. A simile is like a metaphor, except that a simile uses the words “like” or “as” to compare one thing to another. “Frank is Marcia’s satellite” is a metaphor. “Frank hangs around Marcia like a satellite” is a simile.

Directions: Rewrite the sentences below, adding a simile to make the meaning more clear. Remember, a simile uses the words “like” or “as” to compare one thing to another. Use the pictures for inspiration!

1. Harold bounced around the playground.

2. Tanya sings very well.

3. The water in the lake is very still.

4. Roger followed his big brother around.

5. Jane’s hair looks very stiff.

6. Perry’s heart beat fast.

7. This tea is sweet.