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Metaphors Compare Feelings



By now, you already know that a **metaphor** is a tool that writers can use to create a better image in the readers' minds of an idea they would like to share. A **metaphor** is therefore used to compare two or more objects without using the words "like" or "as". It is different from a **simile**, since **similes** do use those two words.

Read the sentences below. **Circle** the feeling and the object that the metaphor is comparing.

- 1.) Greg's anger is a simmering volcano ready to erupt.
- 2.) My sadness when my favorite television show ended was a bottomless black hole.
- 3.) "Helen," her mother said, "your happiness is a bright light in my life."
- 4.) Sometimes, our jealousy can be a wild beast that we can't control.
- 5.) Love is a candle that will never burn out!
- 6.) My hunger is a growling monster right in the pit of my stomach!
7. "I thought I was unprepared," said Andy, "but my embarrassment was just sand slipping through my fingers as I realized I could do this."
8. Children's joy when their parents come home is a jack rabbit trying to get loose!
- 9.) Her enthusiasm on the morning of her birthday was a giant wave that rolled over her heart.
- 10.) The soldier's courage was a lion that had just been let out of its cage!