

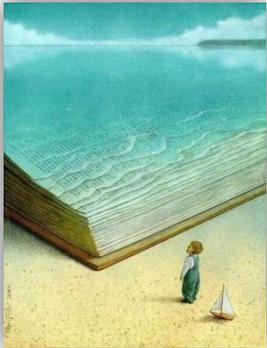
# Metaphor

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# METAPHOR

A **metaphor** is a figure of speech that describes an object or action in a way that isn't literally true, but helps explain an idea or make a comparison.

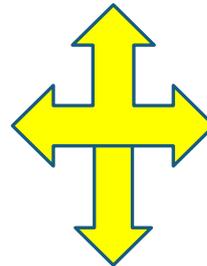
Writers use *metaphor* to add color and emphasis to what they are trying to express.



a sea of knowledge



“knowledge” and “the sea” are not literally related



they are figuratively related because they are both things that are difficult to measure.

By putting them together, you can accentuate how vast a person's knowledge is.



# EXAMP LES

- a sunny smile*
- to purr with delight*
- iron nerves*



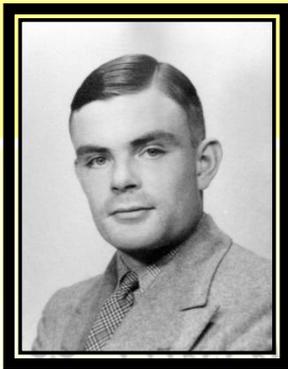
# HOW DO METAPHOR



Every metaphorical word or phrase contains a 'key idea'. This is the connection or similarity between the literal meaning and the metaphorical meaning.

❖ *She flew past me on her bicycle.*

❖ *Turing was the father of the modern computer.*



❖ *He gave me a cold look.*

❖ He gave me a cold look.



Turing was the father of the modern computer.

# HOW DO METAPHOR WORDS

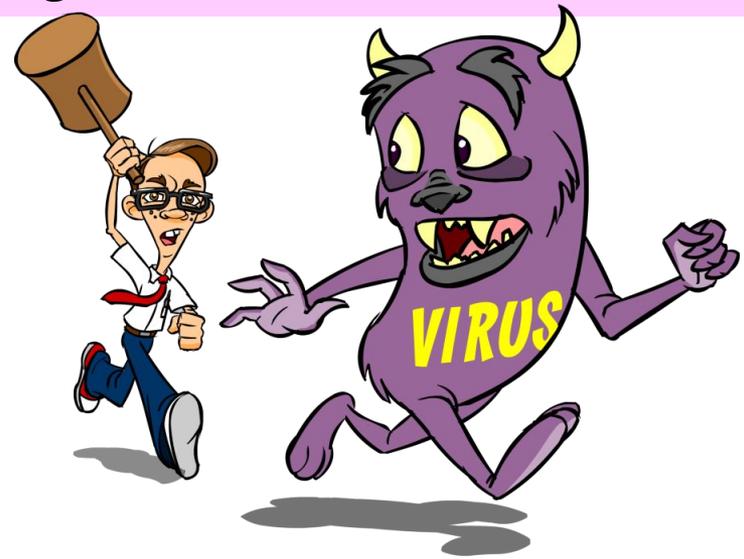
The *same key idea* is expressed in several different words and phrases.

✓ A good diet will help your body **fight** disease.

✓ The virus **attacks** the Peter's immune system, that's why he takes pills.

✓ Jean has finally recovered after a long **battle** with cancer.

The key idea in this case is that trying to recover from an illness is like **fighting a war**, and many of the words and phrases that we use for talking about illness express this idea.



# MORE

# EXAMPLES



*All religions, arts, and sciences  
are branches of the same tree.*

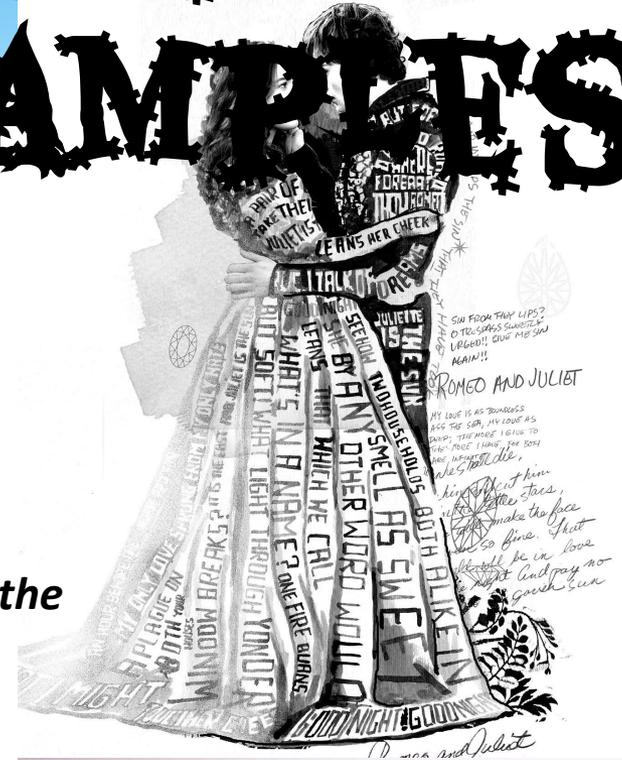
*(Albert Einstein)*



## EXAMPLE 2

*But soft, what light through yonder window breaks? It is the  
east, and Juliet is the sun!*

*(William Shakespeare – Romeo & Juliet)*



## EXAMPLE 3

*All the world's a stage, and all the men and  
women merely players. (William Shakespeare)*



Вильям Шекспир: Весь мир – театр, а люди в нем актеры.....

# MORE

# EXAMPLES

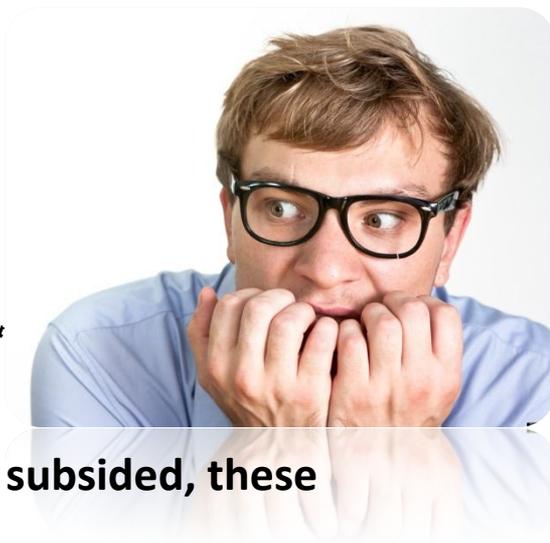
*She was a rock star at our last business presentation.*



## EXAMPLE 5

As his unusual emotions subsided, these misgivings melted away.

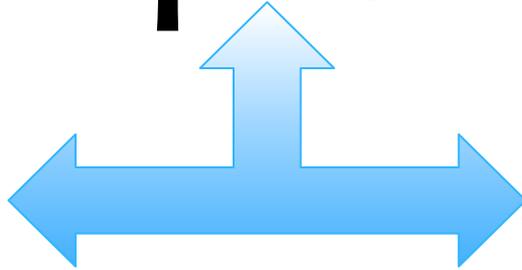
Когда его необычные эмоции улеглись, эти опасения улетучились.



# CLASSIFICATION

## Metaphor

trite



genuine (unique)

often used in speech

rarely used in speech

- floods of tears
- a ray of hope
- a flight of imagination
- mouth of river
- leg of table
- bottle's neck

- “**Cloud Atlas**” (David Mitchell) (cloud - outer shell, a body that our soul takes after rebirth, and the atlas - human nature)
- “**The silence continued to transmit messages between them.**” (Anais Nin “A Spy in the House of Love”) - silence tells more than words
- “**How sweet life was. She was swimming in warmth and in light, floating on cotton.**” (Anais Nin “The Fear of Nice”) - a hero takes pleasure of life

# HERE ARE

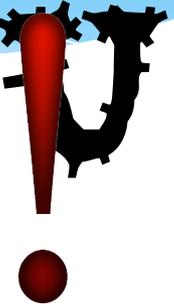
- **Metaphor** denotes transference of meaning based on resemblance, in other words, on a covert comparison.
- It equates those two things not because they actually are the same, but for the comparison.
- Not only *objects* can be compared in a metaphor, but also *phenomena, actions and qualities*.
- Metaphors are used in poetry, literature, and anytime someone wants to add some color to their language.



BE  
CAREER  
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METAPHOR ≠ SIMILE



Metaphors do not use words such as “like” or “as” to make comparisons. The writer or speaker relates the two unrelated things that are not actually the same, and the audience understands that it’s a comparison, not a literal equation.

### EXAMPLE 1

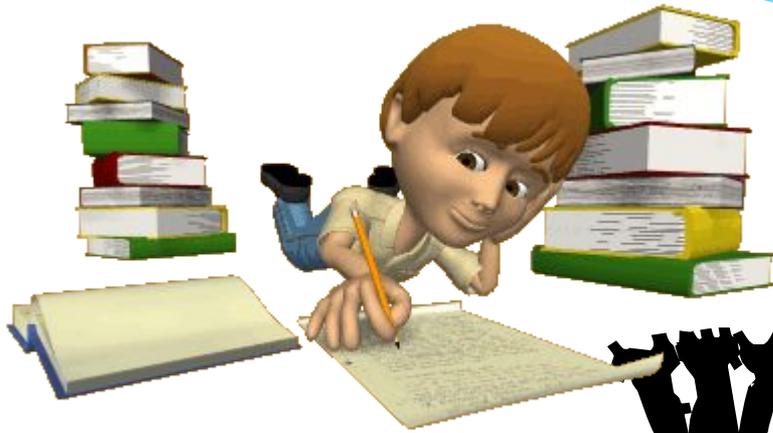
**Metaphor:** All the world’s a stage.

***Simile:*** All the world is like a stage.

### EXAMPLE 2

**Metaphor:** That man is an animal.

***Simile:*** He behaves like an animal.



**WELL...**  
**NOW IT'S**  
**TIME TO DO**  
**SOME TASKS!**

# TEST



**1. Which is the best definition of a metaphor?**

- a) It's a device used in poetry
- b) It describes something in a way that isn't literally true for symbolic effect
- c) it's a simple adjective needed to describe phenomena, events and actions

**2. What metaphor can be used to show how vast a person's knowledge is?**

- d) a sea of knowledge
- e) to purr with knowledge
- f) iron knowledge

**3. Which phrases from the list below are metaphors?**

- a) she has golden hair
- b) he has a sunny smile
- c) she is thin as cypress
- d) he has a cold look
- e) she's very beautiful
- f) he is helpless as a child
- g) he is quite attractive
- h) he behaves like an animal
- i) love is a battlefield



4. In which sentence there is a key idea to fight the disease?

- a) Jean was hospitalized after a long **battle** in the ring.
- b) John **attacked** a criminal escaping from the police
- c) both sentences
- d) there is no right answer

5. The metaphor "he broke my heart" means...

- a) your heart is literally broken
- b) feeling of hurt and sadness
- c) your heart isn't literally broken

6. Are simile and metaphor the same thing?

- a) No, metaphors do not use words such as "like" or "as"
- b) Yes, they have no differences
- c) No, they differ only in their names
- d) Yes, metaphors use words such as "like" or "as"

Match the sentences with the key ideas on the right.

Translate the sentences.

TAS

K2

\* several sentences are possible for one word

She is at the **peak** of her career.

It was a real **battle of wits**.

I've got a **window** on Friday afternoon: I could see you then.

The facts only **came to light** after a long investigation.

He tried **to camouflage** his true feelings.

Their new album **climbed** to second position in the charts.

We **did battle** with the council about the plans.

Let me know if you **dig up** anything about him.

John is a real **pig** when he eats.

Untidiness

Success

Keep secret

Free time

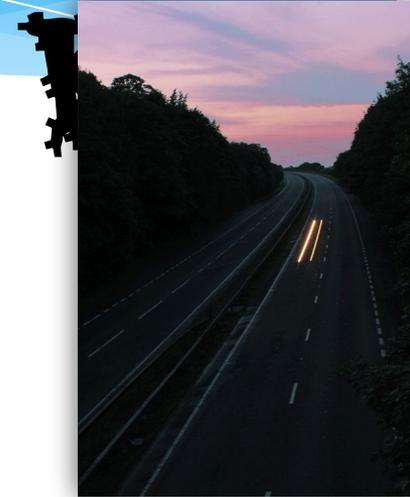
Dispute

Discover

# Create a metaphor using images as a key idea.

# TAS

Life is a ... highway



Her eyes were ... diamonds



You are the ... in my life.  
light

Am I ... to a brick wall?

talking



She has a heart of ...

stone



Choose the best word for each sentence.

Translate.

TAS

4  
Knee  
Knight

1. I'm drowning in a ... of grief.
2. Time is a ... .
3. My boyfriend is my ... in shining armor.
4. ... is on the horizon.
5. Her ... cut deeper than a knife.
6. My brother was ... mad.
7. The assignment was a ....
8. It's going to be clear ... from now on.
9. Her ... is music to his ears.
10. ... are a storm, unexpected.
11. Your friend George is just a big....
12. I'm not an... , but I wouldn't behave like that.
13. You are my ... angel.
14. She felt ... in her stomach when he kissed her.

Sea

Guardian

Voice

Hope

Thief

Baby

Words

Boiling

Skies

Butterflies

Thoughts

Angel

## Find a metaphor in a poem.

### Hope

*Hope is the thing with feathers  
That perches in the soul,  
And sings the tune—without the words,  
And never stops at all,  
And sweetest in the gale is heard;  
And sore must be the storm  
That could abash the little bird  
That kept so many warm.  
“I’ve heard it in the chillest land,  
And on the strangest sea;  
Yet, never, in extremity,  
It asked a crumb of me.”*

—Emily Dickinson

TAS

К

Надежда – птаха малая  
В душе моей поёт  
Без слов одну мелодию  
Твердить не устаёт.

Сладчайшая мелодия  
В свирепый, грозный шторм  
Так щедро души многие  
Окутала теплом.

Я песню эту слышала  
В промозгой тусклой мгле  
И в море, мне неведомом,  
И на чужой земле.

Жесток, кто может напугать,  
Встревожить, невзлюбя,  
Ту, что не просит никогда  
Ни крошки для себя.

# TAS

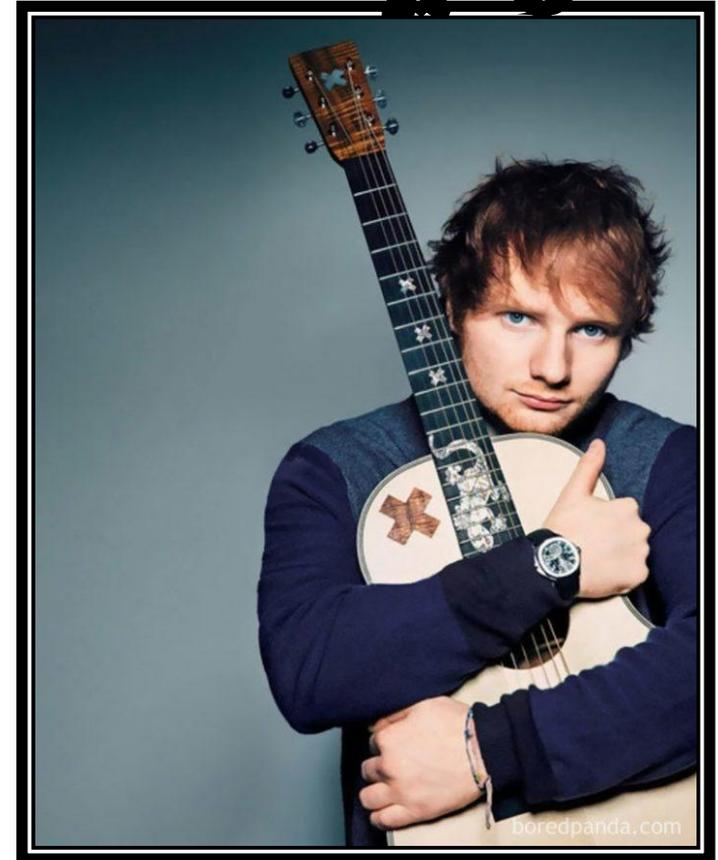
## K6

### Ed Sheeran *Perfect*



Baby, I'm dancing in the dark, with you between my arms  
Barefoot on the grass, listening to our favorite song  
When I saw you in that dress, looking so beautiful  
I don't deserve this, darling, you look perfect tonight

Baby, I'm dancing in the dark, with you between my arms  
Barefoot on the grass, listening to our favorite song  
I have faith in what I see  
Now I know I have met an angel in person  
And she looks perfect, no I don't deserve this  
You look perfect tonight



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