

Similes and Metaphors in Poetry

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Understanding Figurative Language

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Answer the questions below based on what you learned about similes and metaphors.

1. What is the main difference between a simile and a metaphor?

2. Which of the following is an example of a simile?

- A. Life is a journey
- B. Her smile was as bright as sunshine
- C. The world is a stage

3. A metaphor uses the words 'like' or 'as' to make a comparison.

- True False

4. In poetry, a simile compares two things using the words ____ or ____.

5. Can you give an example of a metaphor?

6. What figurative language does the verse Psalm 118:8 use to describe God's protection?

- A. Simile
- B. Metaphor
- C. Alliteration

7. Figurative language helps us think in new and creative ways.

- True False

8. Proverbs 18:10 describes the name of Yahweh as a strong ____.

9. How do comparisons help us understand things better?

10. Which of these is an example of a metaphor?

- A. Her heart is like a flower
- B. The stars are diamonds in the sky
- C. He runs as fast as lightning

Answer Key

1. A simile compares two things using 'like' or 'as', while a metaphor makes a direct comparison without those words. 2. Her smile was as bright as sunshine 3. False 4. like, as 5. Time is a thief. 6. Metaphor 7. True 8. tower 9. Comparisons help us see things in a new light and understand complex ideas more easily. 10. The stars are diamonds in the sky