Super Similes

Similes are a way of comparing two things using LIKE or AS:

He eats like a pig
He is as quiet as a mouse.

Try and finish these similes:

Like Similes: verb +like + noun
The diamond shone like ________________
The wind howled like ________________
She swims like ________________
The sun blazed like ________________

As Similes: as + adjective + as + noun
The cloak was as green as ________________
The man was as tall as ________________
The rock was as sharp as ________________
The bag was as heavy as ________________

Fill in the similes:
The moon was as bright as ________________ . I walked quickly through dry grass that crunched like ________________. Trees as tall as ________________ towered over me. As quick as ________________ a huge animal ran towards me. My heart felt like a ________________ beating in my chest. I ran like a ________________ to get home to safety, my legs were as wobbly as ________________. The windows of my house were as yellow as ________________ showing me I was finally safe.

Try writing some similes of your own.
As quick as a flash!

We can use similes to describe things in an interesting way. If I want to say someone is fast I could say, they are *as quick as a flash*. If I want to say they are slow I could say they are *as slow as a snail*. Using the adjectives in the box, can you make some similes?

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Similes Match
Match the simile starts to their endings

as big as grass
as old as a witch
as sharp as a dove
as ugly as a mountain
as green as night
as happy as a clown
as clear as a knife
as dark as crystal
as white as the world

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Simile Adjectives

Fill in the similes using the correct adjective:

- tall
- noisy
- pale
- dark
- blind
- old

Without his glasses he is as ___________ as a bat.
Quiet down! You are as ___________ as a group of monkeys!
When the power went out, the house was as ___________ as night.
The tree grew as ___________ as a house.
My Grandmas is as ___________ as the hills.
Are you sick? You look as ___________ as a ghost.

Think of your own adjectives to complete these similes:

The rabbit was as ___________ as a cloud.
The dress was as ___________ as a rainbow.
He runs as ___________ as a snail.
My house is as ___________ as a castle.
The farmer was as ___________ as an ox.
My brother is as ___________ as a pig.

Try writing your own similes using these adjectives:

- busy
- kind
- gentle
- loud
- jolly
- scared
Improving Similes

If you want to say someone is noisy you can say - **He is as noisy as an elephant.** That’s a good simile but we can make it better! We need to think of something noisier than an elephant. **He is as noisy as a herd of elephants.**

We can make it even better still - **He is as noisy as a herd of angry elephants!** Now that’s a Super Simile!

That book is as old as a caveman’s grandmother on her 100th birthday! This table is as sticky as an explosion in a glue factory.

**Try turning these simple similes into SUPER SIMILES!**

It’s as smelly as bad eggs.

_________________________________________________________________________

He is as clever as a professor.

_________________________________________________________________________

My sister is as busy as a bee.

_________________________________________________________________________

My pillow is as soft as a cloud.

_________________________________________________________________________

The cake was as hard as rocks.

_________________________________________________________________________
Some adjectives can have more than one meaning. We can say, Tom is as bright as day. Bright has two meanings, it can mean shiny or clever. Using the second meaning makes for an interesting simile.

Try making some similes with the second meaning of the adjectives below.

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Silly Similes

If something is easy to understand we can say it is **as clear as crystal**. We can also use similes to make funny sentences. If something is confusing we can say it’s **as clear as mud**. Mud definitely isn’t clear so if something is as clear as mud it isn’t clear at all!

Here are some more examples of silly similes:

**As useful as a chocolate teapot.**  **As cuddly as a hedgehog.**
**As soft as a brick.**  **As sweet as vinegar.**

Try to make similes that mean the opposite of these adjectives below.

QUIET

PRETTY

CLEVER

HEAVY

BRAVE

GENTLE

TOUGH

BRIGHT

QUICK