

Metaphors and Similes

A simile is a figure of speech that compares two things **using the words 'like' or 'as'**.

For example: 'Oh, my love is like a red, red rose...'

A metaphor is a figure of speech that uses one thing to mean another. It is also a comparison but **it does not use 'like' or 'as'**.

For example: 'Photographs are chunks of time.'

Please choose the most appropriate metaphor or simile from the box, and type them in the spaces in the text below.

time is money

as gold as sunshine

a kangaroo

crying with dewdrops

as blue as the sea

blessing the sky

snake in the grass

golden coin

as sharp as a razor

wolf in sheep's clothing

early birds

crystal clear

as white as a cloud

When I arrived at the woods, the dawn sky was *as blue as the sea*. It was a cold April morning and the air was . I got out of my car and I took a few steps onto the ground. Once I was ready for my walk, I looked up at the dew on the overgrown grass. Each blade of grass was . I walked the path that I always took, which was surrounded by lots of little wildflowers. As I travelled through the woods, I heard the birds singing their morning song. It sounded . It was early enough to see the squirrels, with their brown bushy tails, running from tree to tree. I think that they were looking for nuts. One squirrel was waiting for the others to turn around so he could take their food. He was a real ! I stopped for a minute, sitting on a large log that had fallen from the trees. Some people in the past have said , but I had no problem with taking an hour away from work and into nature.

After taking ten minutes to drink the tea in my flask, I got up to walk again. In the distance, I saw a woman with hair walking her dog in my direction. She waved a few times, and when we crossed paths, she said:

"Aren't we a pair of ?"

I nodded, laughing, as her dog leaped up as if he was *a kangaroo*, excited by meeting a new person (or new friend, as he saw it).

He had fur .

"He is a lovely dog," I said, scratching his soft ears.

"Don't let him fool you," she replied. "He's a ."

As she said this, I noticed the sun was rising. It was a beautiful , with its light and beauty.

"A lovely Spring sunrise," the lady said. "Should I compare it to a summer's day?"