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Metaphor Meanings Worksheet

A **metaphor** is one kind of figurative language. It makes a direct comparison of two unlike things. Metaphors often use a form of the verb "to be". The verb can be in the past tense (was, were), the present tense (am, is, are), or future tense (will be).

Directions: Read the sentences below and check the box in front of the correct meaning of the metaphor.

1. The teeth of the crocodile are little white knives.
☐The crocodile's teeth are very sharp. ☐ The crocodile has knives.

2. My life is a dream come true!
☐I had a good dream. ☐ My life is going very well.

3. The bird fired a white missile, which exploded on my windshield.
☐A missile is very dangerous. ☐ The bird pooped all over my windshield.

4. The crab was a dancing pair of scissors, clicking across the sand.
☐ The crab was walking in the sand. ☐ The crab was opening and closing its claws as it walked.

5. Her long hair is an ocean of waves.
☐ Her hair is very curly. ☐ Her hair gets wet in the ocean.

6. The music of her laughter filled the room.
☐ She thinks the music is funny. ☐ Her laughter was a good sound in the room.

7. A book is a key that unlocks imagination in your mind.
☐ The book was locked in the house. ☐ Reading books improves your imagination.

8. The girl was a fish when in the pool.
☐ She is a good swimmer. ☐ She likes to swim.