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Metaphors and similes are both ways to compare things. We use metaphors and similes all the time, but it can be hard to remember the difference between them.

Similes will always use the words **like** or **as**. Metaphors say that one thing is the same as another thing. Read each sentence below and identify it as either a metaphor or simile by writing the word on the line.

1. My dog is a marshmallow. _____
2. The girl's hair was as soft as silk. _____
3. Her hair was silk. _____
4. The package was as light as a feather. _____
5. Her gaze was icy. _____
6. The charging cougar was a lightning bolt. _____
7. The moon looked like a glowing saucer in the sky. _____
8. The tree branches hung over the road like great arms, heavy with the weight of their leaves. _____

Write your own simile and metaphor on the lines below.

Metaphor _____

Simile _____
