Similes: Clichés

Some similes have been overused and so aren’t very interesting to the reader. They often don’t have the same impact as a fresh comparison. You’ve probably heard some of the following:

…as big as an elephant. …as light as a feather. …rained like cats and dogs.

These are known as clichés

Complete the following similes by thinking of comparisons as fresh as morning snow.

### Comparing Verbs

1. He ran like ____________________________.

2. Her knees shook like ____________________________.

3. It rained like ____________________________.

4. The lady sung as sweetly ____________________________.

### Comparing Nouns

5. The leather couch was as soft as ____________________________.

6. The music sounded like ____________________________.

7. The family’s back yard was as ____________________________.

8. The test was as ____________________________.

### Comparing Adjectives

9. as clever as ____________________________.

10. as slow as ____________________________.

11. as funny as ____________________________.

12. as big as ____________________________.

13. as tired as ____________________________.

14. as stubborn as ____________________________.

15. as light as ____________________________.

16. as pretty as ____________________________.

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