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## Practice Using Similes and Metaphors

Here is an exercise that will give you some practice in creating figurative comparisons. For each of the statements below, make up a simile or a metaphor that helps to explain each statement and make it more vivid. If several ideas come to you, jot them all down. When you're done, compare your response to the first sentence with the sample comparisons at the end of the exercise.

1. George has been working at the same automobile factory six days a week, ten hours a day, for the past twelve years.

*(Use a simile or a metaphor to show how worn out George was feeling.)*

2. Katie had been working all day in the summer sun.

*(Use a simile or a metaphor to show how hot and tired Katie was feeling.)*

3. This is Kim Su's first day at college, and she is in the middle of a chaotic morning registration session.

*(Use a simile or a metaphor to show either how confused Kim feels or how chaotic the entire session is.)*

4. Victor spent his entire summer vacation watching quiz shows and soap operas on television.

*(Use a simile or a metaphor to describe the state of Victor's mind by the end of his vacation.)*

5. After all the troubles of the past few weeks, Sandy felt peaceful at last.

*(Use a simile or a metaphor to describe how peaceful or relieved Sandy was feeling.)*