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# Literary Devices

**A simile compares two things using the words *like* or *as*.**

**Examples:**

- Tom is like a puppy.
- That phone is as small as an ice cube.

**Alliteration is the repetition of first letters or consonant sounds.**

**Examples:**

- Tom tells terrible truths.
- Mark makes meaningful memories.

**PART 1:** Read the excerpt of "The Tell-Tale Heart." Find one simile and one example of alliteration.

Write them below.

**Simile** \_\_\_\_\_

**Alliteration** \_\_\_\_\_

**PART 2:** Write two similes using each of the words below.

**1. sun**

Simile #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Simile #2: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. jet**

Simile #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Simile #2: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. kitten**

Simile #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Simile #2: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART 3:** Write an alliterative phrase for each of the words below. Then, use the phrase in a sentence.

**1. scary**

Alliteration: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. lovely**

Alliteration: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. doughnut**

Alliteration: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_