

INSTRUCTIONS:

1 WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO DESCRIBE?

Rather than just saying “life is funny” (a little cliché), you might say “life is like a box of chocolates” – then the next line explains it – “you never know what you’re gonna get”.

- There are two ways to get: a direct comparison - X is like Y (A), or
- Using a simile to describe something in a different way and/or provide a visual (B)

(A) *How love feels*

(B) *Sliding across a car hood*

2 CREATE YOUR SIMILE LIST & ADD THE WHY/HOW

Start with the first simile you’re trying to find and give yourself some options. Use one worksheet per simile. Remember, you can use “like” or “as” – so don’t restrict yourself to either as you’re brainstorming. You’ll also explain the simile if it’s connecting two ideas rather than being used as a description enhancement like (B).

(A) *Love*

LIKE WHAT? *Is like a chunk of gold*

WHY/HOW? *It’s precious and hard to hold*

(B) *Being chased and sliding across a car hood*

LIKE WHAT? *Hood sliding like Bo Duke*

WHY/HOW? *(Not needed – visual enhancement of the verb)*

3 PICK ONE & TRY IT IN YOUR LYRIC WITH YOUR MELODY!

You may need to tweak how you’re saying it or your melody depending on how strongly you feel about the simile you’ve created.

SONG TITLE: _____

SIMILE LIST

LIKE WHAT?

WHY/HOW?

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