

# Identifying Metaphors

**Metaphor**: a figure of speech in which a word or phrase is applied to an object or action to which it is not literally applicable.

## **Things to look for:**

- Cannot have “like” or “as”
- Two differing objects in the same sentence

## **Examples:**

Life is a rollercoaster

- Compares the craziness of life to a rollercoaster without using “like” or “as”

Her heart is gold

- Compares her genuine heart to gold without using “like” or “as”

He is my sunshine

- Compares his bright and lively personality to sunshine without using “like” or “as”

*Life is a journey*

**FIND YOUR OWN WAY**

