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Replace the Missing Letters

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: Tokens (for scorekeeping); prizes (small) for winner(s)

Overview:

A simile compares two items, using words such as “like” or “as.” *Mary runs like a gazelle* and *Frank is thin as a rail* are both examples of similes. Fill in the missing letters to reveal more **SIMILES**.

Instructions:

1. Write the first clue on a white board or easel large enough for all to see. Be sure to place empty lines where the letters are missing.
2. Allow players to shout out answers.
3. Instead of scoring, you might consider passing out a token (for example, a poker chip, or a piece of cardboard, or a spare button) to the first person you hear shout out the correct answer.
4. When the game is over, the person with the most tokens wins the game. You might consider giving him or her a lottery ticket or a special chocolate bar for that achievement.

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Instructions: Fill in the missing letters to reveal a list of similes – phrases that make comparisons using words such as “like” or “as.” (*Run like a gazelle* or *thin as a rail* are both examples of similies.)

1. C _ _ D • AS • _ C _ (3)
2. P _ _ IN • AS • D _ _ (3)
3. _ AT • LI _ _ • A • PI _ (4)
4. _ _ EAR • AS • MU _ (3)
5. S _ _ M • _ _ KE • A • F _ _ H (4)
6. FR _ _ H • AS • A • DA _ _ Y (4)
7. C _ _ E • AS • A • _ UT _ _ N (4)
8. FL _ _ AS • A • PA _ _ AK _ (4)
9. LI _ _ T • AS • A • F _ _ TH _ _ (4)
10. D _ _ L • AS • DI _ _ _ ATER (3)
11. DE _ _ • AS • A • DOO _ _ AI _ (4)
12. ST _ _ BO _ N • AS • A • _ _ LE (4)
13. C _ _ L • AS • A • C _ C _ M _ ER (4)
14. _ ME _ _ CAN • AS • _ _ PLE • PIE (4)
15. F _ _ AT • _ _ KE • A • B _ _ TE _ _ LY (4)

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ANSWERS

1. **COLD AS ICE**
2. **PLAIN AS DAY**
3. **EAT LIKE A PIG**
4. **CLEAR AS MUD**
5. **SWIM LIKE A FISH**
6. **FRESH AS A DAISY**
7. **CUTE AS A BUTTON**
8. **FLAT AS A PANCAKE**
9. **LIGHT AS A FEATHER**
10. **DULL AS DISHWATER**
11. **DEAD AS A DOORNAIL**
12. **STUBBORN AS A MULE**
13. **COOL AS A CUCUMBER**
14. **AMERICAN AS APPLE PIE**
15. **FLOAT LIKE A BUTTERFLY**