

Need another word that means the same as “simile”? Find 2 synonyms and 30 related words for “simile” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Simile” are: metaphor, metonymy**

## Simile as a Noun

### Definitions of "Simile" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “simile” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *A figure of speech that expresses a resemblance between things of different kinds (usually formed with `like' or `as).*
- *The use of similes as a method of comparison.*
- *A figure of speech involving the comparison of one thing with another thing of a different kind, used to make a description more emphatic or vivid (e.g. as brave as a lion).*

### Synonyms of "Simile" as a noun (2 Words)

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

#### **metaphor**

*When we speak of gene maps and gene mapping we use a cartographic **metaphor**.*

#### **metonymy**

Substituting the name of an attribute or feature for the name of the thing itself (as in `they counted heads).

## Usage Examples of "Simile" as a noun

- *His audacious deployment of simile and metaphor.*

## Associations of "Simile" (30 Words)

<b><u>allusion</u></b>	The practice of making allusions. <i>An <b>allusion</b> to Shakespeare.</i>
<b>analogy</b>	The religious belief that between creature and creator no similarity can be found so great but that the dissimilarity is always greater any analogy between God and humans will always be inadequate. <i>An <b>analogy</b> between the workings of nature and those of human societies.</i>
<b>bombast</b>	High-sounding language with little meaning, used to impress people. <i>The <b>bombast</b> of gung ho militarism.</i>
<b>bragging</b>	An instance of boastful talk. <i>She interrupted their endless <b>bragging</b>.</i>
<b>compare</b>	Draw an analogy between one thing and (another) for the purposes of explanation or clarification. <i>The survey <b>compares</b> prices in different countries.</i>
<b><u>conceptual</u></b>	Being or characterized by concepts or their formation. <i>The schizophrenic loses ability to abstract or do <b>conceptual</b> thinking.</i>
<b><u>exaggerate</u></b>	Represent (something) as being larger, better, or worse than it really is. <i>Tended to romanticize and <b>exaggerate</b> this gracious Old South imagery.</i>
<b>exaggeration</b>	Extravagant exaggeration. <i>It would be an <b>exaggeration</b> to say I had morning sickness but I did feel queasy.</i>
<b>figurative</b>	(of an artist or work of art) representing forms that are recognizably derived from life. <i>A <b>figurative</b> expression.</i>
<b>fustian</b>	Thick, hard-wearing twilled cloth with a short nap, usually dyed in dark colours. <i>The coarse <b>fustian</b> of prison clothing.</i>
<b><u>hyperbole</u></b>	Extravagant exaggeration. <i>You can't accuse us of <b>hyperbole</b>.</i>
<b><u>imagery</u></b>	The ability to form mental images of things or events. <i>Tennyson uses <b>imagery</b> to create a lyrical emotion.</i>

<b>impressionism</b>	A style or movement in painting originating in France in the 1860s, characterized by a concern with depicting the visual impression of the moment, especially in terms of the shifting effect of light and colour.
<b>liken</b>	Point out the resemblance of someone or something to. <i>Racism is <b>likened</b> to a contagious disease.</i>
<b>likeness</b>	A portrait or representation. <i>Man created God in his own <b>likeness</b>.</i>
<b>magnification</b>	The degree to which something is or can be magnified. <i>This microscope should give a <b>magnification</b> of about 100.</i>
<b>maximum</b>	A maximum permitted custodial sentence for an offence. <i>The <b>maximum</b> depth of the pool is 6 feet.</i>
<b>metaphor</b>	A thing regarded as representative or symbolic of something else. <i>The amounts of money being lost by the company were enough to make it a <b>metaphor</b> for an industry that was teetering.</i>
<b>metonymy</b>	Substituting the name of an attribute or feature for the name of the thing itself (as in `they counted heads).
<b>overestimate</b>	Make too high an estimate of. <i>He <b>overestimated</b> his own powers.</i>
<b>overstatement</b>	The action of stating something too strongly; exaggeration. <i>A classic piece of <b>overstatement</b>.</i>
<b>parallelism</b>	Similarity by virtue of corresponding. <i>Massive <b>parallelism</b> gives neural networks a high degree of fault tolerance.</i>
<b>poetic</b>	Characteristic of or befitting poetry. <i>The orchestral playing was colourful and <b>poetic</b>.</i>
<b>rant</b>	A spell of ranting a tirade. <i>His <b>rants</b> against organized religion.</i>
<b>resemblance</b>	A way in which two or more things are alike. <i>There was a close <b>resemblance</b> between herself and Anne.</i>
<b>rhetorical</b>	(of a question) asked in order to produce an effect or to make a statement rather than to elicit information. <i>Repetition is a common <b>rhetorical</b> device.</i>
<b>similarity</b>	The quality of being similar. <i>The <b>similarity</b> of symptoms makes them hard to diagnose.</i>
<b>statement</b>	A presentation of a theme or melody within a composition. <i>The hope is that they will fill the stands and terraces to make a <b>statement</b> about the importance of this club.</i>

**symbolism**

The practice of investing things with symbolic meaning.

*He has always believed in the importance of **symbolism** in garden art.*

**trope**

A figurative or metaphorical use of a word or expression.

*Both clothes and illness became **tropes** for new attitudes toward the self.*