

Determining Meaning of a Metaphor

Determine the meaning of the metaphor.

1. I try not to think about the things I don't have. To me, life is a glass half-full.

- All that the person needs is a drink of water.
- The person tries to focus on the positive things in life.

2. The birds were a choir outside my window this morning.

- The birds were all singing in harmony.
- The birds were all gathered outside the window.

3. The birthday party was a carnival for the room full of young children.

- The birthday party was crowded and not fun for the children.
- The birthday party was full of fun things to do and eat.

4. The excited little girl was a kangaroo bouncing around the room.

- The little girl was so excited that she was jumping around.
- The little girl was dressed as a kangaroo for Halloween.

5. He is my knight in shining armor.

- He dresses up like a knight for me and pretends that I am a princess.
- He treats me like a princess, saving me from evil.

6. Whenever I am having a hard time, my mother is my rock.

- My mother is my critic.
- My mother is dependable.

7. In the school's race, Ryan was a cheetah.

- Ryan tripped the other runners.
- Ryan was a fast runner.

8. Once shy, Mary was a crab coming out of her shell as she made new friends.

- Mary became more outgoing as she made friends.
- Mary's friends convinced her to come out of the bathroom.

9. The dinner of chicken and rice was a king's feast to the hungry baseball team.

- The players were so hungry that their dinner seemed extravagant.
- The baseball players had never had anything fancy to eat like chicken and rice.

10. The music coming from the band students was a traffic jam.

- The students' instruments were jammed against each other.
- The sounds coming from the band students were just noisy and didn't sound pleasing.