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A metaphor is where one thing is said to be another. Examples from *The King Will Make A Way*:

- She was always at work, an ant in an apron. (ch. 1)
- The sun was a brilliant gold medallion adorning the sky. (ch. 5)
- Outside the storm was a rampaging drunk, toppling everything within its reach... (ch. 5)
- (The character is looking at a tree): Her eyes opened and stared up at the wooden ladder. She wondered what she could see if she climbed limb by limb up the rungs to its top. (ch. 14)
- A line formed, an ever shifting centipede, a hundred legs taking little steps forward... (ch. 27)

Make some of your own metaphors. Finish these sentences. Example: Summer is a new toy fresh out of the box. Why is summer like a new toy fresh out of the box? It's something new and exciting. It's a time we break from routine and do something different. Don't just use a word or two, be creative!

Winter is \_\_\_\_\_

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Ice cream is \_\_\_\_\_

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My family is \_\_\_\_\_

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\*Remember, a metaphor is saying one thing is something else. DO NOT use like or as. ("As sly as a fox" or "happy like a song bird" are examples of similes, not metaphors.)

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# Lesson 152: Metaphors • Genre

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Book genre simply means what type of book. Biography is a genre of nonfiction book that tells the story of a person’s life. Other types of nonfiction book genres include reference, how-to, historic, scientific, sports, as well as many others.

Make a list of fiction genres you can think of: humor, western, \_\_\_\_\_

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Although not in its purest form, *The King Will Make a Way* is a type of allegory – one big metaphor. A metaphor is where one thing is said to be another. Some famous allegories are *Pilgrim’s Progress* and *Animal Farm*. In *The King Will Make a Way* there is a King. He represents Jesus. The whole story you read in the book actually represents something else. As you read (if you’re reading it), be mindful of the clues to show you what different things represent and what the story as a whole is about.

Choose a genre for your novel. Use the space below to write down any notes you’d like that pertain to your novel’s genre.

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