

N5 & HIGHER ENGLISH

UAE – IMAGERY QUESTIONS

What is Imagery?

| Simile | Metaphor | Personification |
|------------------------------------|---|--|
| A comparison using 'like' or 'as'. | A comparison where something is said to actually be something else. | A comparison where something that is not alive is given human characteristics. |
| The man ate like a pig. | A blanket of snow lay on the ground. | The table groaned under the weight of the books. |

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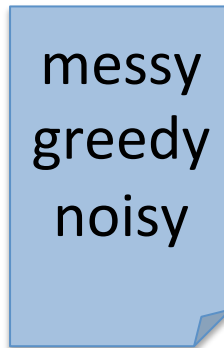
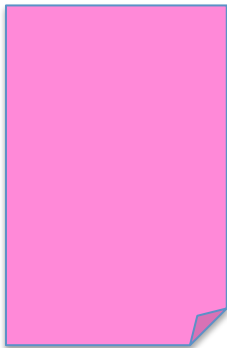


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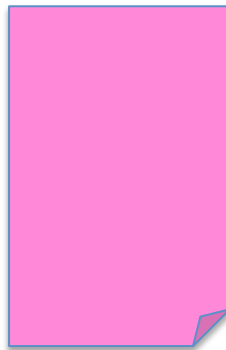
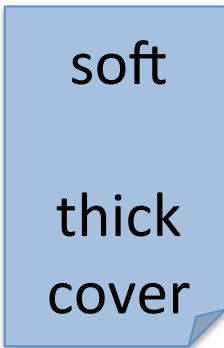


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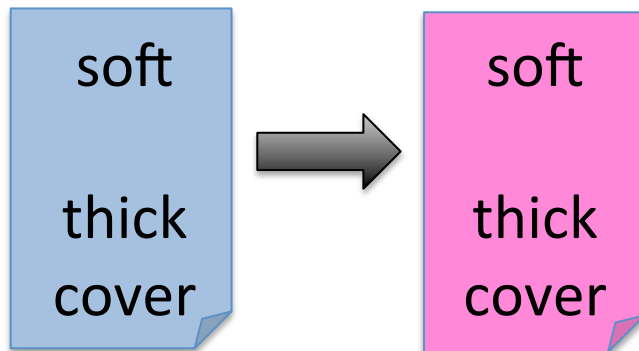


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UAE Answer Technique

- ***Just as...*** explain the meaning and relevant connotations of the 'imagined' part of the comparison.
- ***so...*** explain how the meaning and connotations transfer to the 'real' part of the comparison.

Check that you've answered the question.

National 5: = 2 marks

Higher : = 1 mark

UAE Answer Technique

- Those attempting to gain full British citizenship face a mountain of paperwork.
- *How does the writer's use of imagery help us to understand the difficulties involved in the citizenship process?*
- **Just as a mountain is a very large hill that is difficult to climb, so there is a large amount of paperwork involved in the citizenship process that is onerous to complete.**

Spotting an Imagery Question

- Sometimes it's easy:

How does the writer's imagery in paragraph 2 reveal his feelings about American politics?

- But remember that imagery answers can also be useful for an 'open' language question:

How does the writer's use of language in paragraph 2 reveal his feelings American politics?