When we describe something, we often compare it to something else. For example:

The children are like little angels.

Here, children are being compared with angels.

When two unlike things are compared, using the words like or as, a simile is formed.

In each sentence below, underline the two things that are being compared:

1. Her voice was like pure gold.
2. The clouds were like cotton balls.
3. Jane’s hair was like corn silk.
4. The bells tolled like claps of thunder.

Dear Family, Your child is learning to make comparisons between two unlike things.

Child’s name ________________________________

Parent’s (Learning Partner’s) signature ______________

3/Uses the Writing Process/3
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