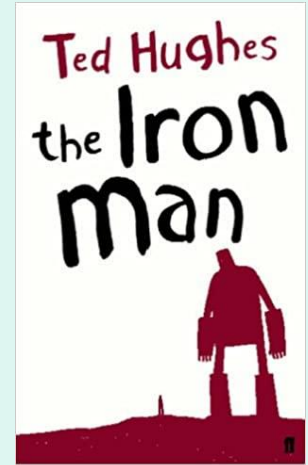


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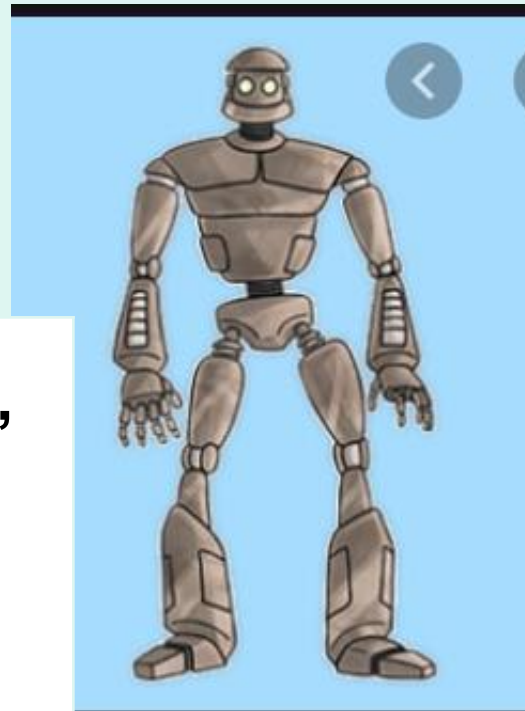
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Quick recap: What does the Iron man look like?

- Head
- Ears
- Eyes
- Nose
- Mouth
- Arms
- Legs
- How tall?
- How wide?
- Does he have big muscles?



“iron Fingers” “great Iron head” “shapes like a dustbin”
“as big as a bedroom” “iron ears” “like headlamps”
“glowed red, then white”
“enormous iron foot” “iron legs”

The Iron Man

Chapter 1

THE COMING OF THE IRON MAN

The opening chapter of the original book-

THE IRON MAN

By Ted Hughes © 1968

The Iron Man came to the top of the cliff.

**How far had he walked?
Nobody knows.
Where had he come from? Nobody knows.**

Taller than a house, the Iron Man stood at the top of the cliff, on the very brink, in the darkness.





The wind sang through his iron fingers. His great iron head, shaped like a dustbin but as big as a bedroom, slowly turned to the right, slowly turned to the left. His iron ears turned, this way, that way. He was hearing the sea. His eyes, like headlamps, glowed white, then red, then infra-red, searching the sea. Never before had the Iron Man seen the sea.

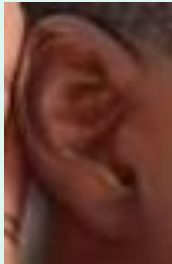


**He swayed in the strong wind that pressed against his back.
He swayed forward, on the brink of the high cliff.**

**And his right foot, his enormous iron right foot, lifted-up,
out, into space, and the Iron Man stepped forward, off the
cliff, into nothingness.**

What is a simile?

- A simile is a way of describing something by saying it is like something else.
- Underline together.
- Make a list of similes on paper: as big as, as tall as, as wide as, as long as, as loud as....



Examples.

When he changed emotions, his eyes changed colour, for instance, they glowed like emeralds. He stood on top of a cliff, his legs were as tall as tree trunks.

His hands were like claws of a crab.

His head was shaped like a dustbin.

Try and lengthen your sentences and add fronted adverbials or Subordinate clauses and conjunctions.



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TASK:

Write down a paragraph or sentences to describe Iron Man.



Name: _____

The Iron Man

I can write similes to describe the Iron Man.

His head _____.

His ears _____.

His eyes _____.

His nose _____.

His mouth _____.

His arms _____.

His legs _____.

He was as tall as _____.

He was as wide as _____.

His muscles were like _____.

Can you think of any other similes to describe the Iron Man?

Try thinking about all your senses: see, hear, touch, smell.

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To those around him, the metal beast sounded	were two colossal feet which made immense footprints as deep and as wide as the biggest craters ever seen by man.
The gigantic Iron Man was	the Iron Man's laser-like eyes scanned the murky horizon for any possible movement.
His huge, metallic hands clawed at the earth	like two giant digging machines searching frantically for gold.
Sitting on top of its thick, steel neck,	like a giant chainsaw scratching through a rusty, old car.
Attached to the bottom of two enormous legs	the giant's dustbin-like head slowly rotated from left to right.
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Which is the best simile they have used? Why?

What was good about it?

Can you think of how they could make it even better?

Extra

- Look back at the story.
- What words are used to evoking the scene? What was it like?
- Discuss
- Make a list of scene setting words.