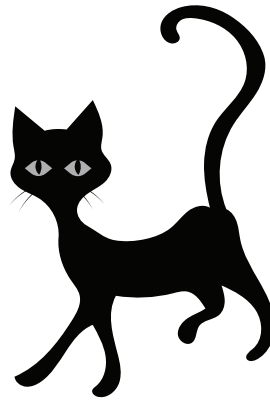


METAPHORS IN POETRY



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A **metaphor** states a fact or draws a verbal picture by the use of comparison. Metaphors are often used by poets to create vivid, unexpected imagery.

Directions: Read the poem below, then answer the questions that follow.

Fog

BY Carl Sandburg

The fog comes
on little cat feet.
It sits looking
over harbor and city
on silent haunches
and then moves on.

1. What is Sandburg comparing the fog to? **He is comparing it to a cat.**

2. List the words in the poem that make you think of this animal.

Little cat feet, sits, haunches, and moves.

3. What does fog and this animal have in common? How are they alike?

Sample answer: Fog and cats both move quietly and undetectably.