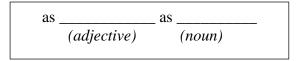
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As Big as a Bus An activity of "Clearing space debris"

In "Clearing space debris" (page 12–13, What's Up March 2018), the author uses similes to show the sizes of some space debris. A simile is a type of expression that compares one thing to another. It uses the structure:



An example from this story is: "The satellite, as big as a bus and weighing about 6 tonnes...". Comparing the satellite to the bus tells you how big it is.

There are three other similes in the article. Can you find them? Write them in the spaces below.

1) Astronauts have to wear spacesuits with a protective layer **as** _____ **as**

2) If a broken satellite **as** ______ **as** _____ and travelling **as**

_____ as ______ collides with another similar satellite, the

crash would be catastrophic.

Now, can you come up with your own creative similes? Write them in the spaces below.

3)	I'm as hungry as
4)	The bag is as heavy as
5)	I promise to be as quiet as
6)	He is as funny as
7)	The room is as cold as
8)	When she saw the snake, she turned as white as

