## Similes and Metaphors in The Hope Chest

## (Example, for Teacher Reference)

## Simile

What is it? Compares one thing to something very different to make a description more vivid

**Clues:** The two things being compared are very different;

as\_\_\_\_\_as; like

Example: As cold as ice, which means it was very cold.

Page 93: "She looked more like a very ancient tree that Myrtle knew of that grew in Anacostia, Washington," which means she looked old and her skin looked very wrinkled and old like tree bark.

Page 96: "I've just been telling you how I was sold and willed and bartered about like so much livestock," which means she was sold and treated like she was a farm animal instead of a human.

## Metaphor

What is it? Describing something with words that it isn't directly connected to

Example: Her voice was music to his ears, which means her voice sounded really good to him and made him feel good.

Page 98: "But darkness had fallen...," which means darkness seemed to have come very quickly.