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THE STRANGER

Directions: Similes are used in writing to help enhance imagery. Read the sentences below and write a simile of your own based on Chris Van Allsburg's story, *The Stranger*.



1. There was a loud “thump.” Mr. Bailed jammed on his brakes. “Oh no! he thought. “I’ve hit a deer.”

Mr. Bailey hit his brakes as hard as Derek Jeter hit a ball with a bat.

2. The steam that rose from the hot food fascinated him. He watched Katy take a spoonful of soup and blow gently across it.

3. Occasionally Mr. Bailey would have to stop and rest. But the stranger never tired. He didn’t even sweat.

4. The warm days make the pumpkins grow larger. The leaves on the trees were as green as they’d been three weeks before.

5. He ran to a tree and pulled off a lead. He held it in a trembling hand and, without thinking, blew on it with all his might.
