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## INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES

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Monday – possibilities of things to notice  
\*simile – like a speck of dust  
pronouns used instead of specific nouns  
descriptive – adjectives and figurative language  
declarative  
commas with three clauses  
compound-complex sentence

Tuesday – label the sentence  
They, she, them, you – pronouns  
were – linking verb  
dark, gray, full – adjectives  
and – coordinating conjunction  
if – subordinating conjunction  
turned, make, feel – verbs  
on – adverb  
power, speck, dust – nouns  
could – helping verb  
like, of – prepositions  
a – article

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complete sentence  
simple subject  
Wednesday

Her eyes were dark gray, and if she turned them on maximum power, they could make you feel like a speck of dust.  
(changed pronoun to specific noun, changed adjective)

Thursday – possibility of imitation sentence

His hands were massive, and if he swung them at full speed, they could make you flat as a pancake.

## Mentor Sentences from FRINDLE

MINI-UNIT for GRADES 3-5



Name: Answer Key Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Editing Assessment

They were dark gray and if she turned them on full power they could make you feel like a speck of dust.

1. Circle the words that are used correctly:  
They were dark gray and if she turned them on full power, they could make you feel like a speck of dust.

What two things are compared in these sentences with similes?

2. The classroom was as hot as a furnace.  
the temperature of the island

3. Mrs. Avery's nose was curved like the beak of a hawk.  
Mrs. Avery's nose

4. Janet's face turned as red as a tomato.  
Janet's face

5. Nick's hand shot up like a rocket with three minutes left in class.  
Nick's hand and arm

6. He felt the tops of his ears and a fire in his ears and a fire in his ears.

## QUIZZES

## WITH

## ANSWER

## KEYS

### SIMILES

The words "like" or "as." The two things compared, but help the reader form an image of the items pictured on the outside of the book.

