## **Figurative Thrills Answer Key**

## **Examples of Figurative Language in the Passage:**

- "like a drum in a parade" → Simile (uses "like" to compare heart pounding to a drum).
- "a rocket shooting through the sky" → Metaphor (roller coaster compared directly to a rocket).
- 3. "like a leaf in the wind"  $\rightarrow$  Simile (uses "like" to compare the student's movement to a leaf).
- 4. "a king of the world"  $\rightarrow$  Metaphor (student compared directly to a king).

## **Teacher Notes:**

- Explain that similes use *like* or *as*, while metaphors state that one thing *is* another.
- Encourage students to visualize each comparison—this strengthens comprehension.
- Accept close variations in identification as long as the reasoning is correct.
- Extension idea: Ask students to create one new simile and one new metaphor about their own roller coaster ride.

