

# Reading Skill

## ANALYZE METAPHOR

A **metaphor** compares two unlike things. Writers often use metaphors to help express emotions or convey abstract ideas. Unlike a simile, a metaphor does not use the words *like* or *as*.

**Directions:** As you read the sonnets, record examples of metaphor in the following charts. Explain what is being compared in each metaphor you find. An example has been done for you.

### Sonnet 90

Metaphor	Comparison
"I had love's tinder in my breast unburned"	<i>compares love that hasn't been aroused yet to unburned firewood</i>

### Sonnet 292

Metaphor	Comparison