Identify the Words and Meaning of Metaphors and Similes

On your own paper, find the simile or metaphor and write it down. Next, write the words being compared on your notebook paper. Finally, write the meaning of the simile or metaphor based on the context of the sentence.

1. The baby was like an octopus, grabbing at all the cans on the grocery store shelves.
2. As the teacher entered the room she muttered under her breath, “This class is like a three-ring circus!”
3. The giant’s steps were thunder as he ran toward Jack.
4. The pillow was a cloud when I put my head upon it after a long day.
5. I feel like a limp dishrag.
6. Those girls are like two peas in a pod.
7. The fluorescent light was the sun during the test.
8. No one invites Harold to parties because he’s a wet blanket.
9. The bar of soap was a slippery eel during the dog’s bath.
10. Ted was as nervous as a cat with a long tail in a room full of rocking chairs.
Answers to Worksheet

1. baby – octopus
2. class – three-ring circus
3. steps – thunder
4. pillow – cloud
5. I – limp dishrag
6. girls – peas in a pod
7. light – sun
8. he (Harold) – wet blanket
9. bar of soap – slippery eel
10. Ted – cat