

## Like and as

The words as and like are often confused. As is a conjunction. It is followed by a clause. Like is a preposition. It is followed by a noun. As is also used to say what role a person or thing has. In this case, it is a bit like a conjunction.

Complete the following sentences using as or like.

1. She behaves ..... a spoilt brat.

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2. A crocodile starts life ..... an egg.

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3. He drinks ..... a fish.

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4. Nobody loves her ..... I do.

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5. He was an alcoholic, ..... were most of his friends.

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6. Why do you behave ..... a child?

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7. He worked ..... a waiter for two years.

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8. She looks ..... her sister.

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9. She is quite good at scientific subjects  
..... physics and chemistry.

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10. He will do it, ..... agreed.

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### Answers

1. She behaves like a spoilt brat.
2. A crocodile starts life as an egg.
3. He drinks like a fish.
4. Nobody loves her as I do. (Like is possible in this sentence in a very informal style.)
5. He was an alcoholic, as were most of his friends.
6. Why do you behave like a child?
7. He worked as a waiter for two years.
8. She looks like her sister.
9. She is quite good at scientific subjects like physics and chemistry.
10. He will do it, as agreed.