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**SCORE/GRADE:**

**LITERARY DEVICES:** *The Cricket in Times Square*

Quote an example of **simile** from this story on the lines below. You must quote the entire sentence in which the device occurs and enclose it with quotation marks. Put the author's name and the page on which the quotation is found inside parentheses before the final punctuation.

For the few minutes of Chester's final performance, Times Square is "As still as a meadow at evening, with the sun streaming in on the people there and the wind moving among them as if they were only tall blades of grass" (Selden 123).

This simile emphasizes the peace and stillness of a country scene in contrast to the hustle and bustle of the city, suggesting that Chester's origins in the country are the source and power of his music. The image also foreshadows his decision to leave New York and return to the meadows of his Connecticut home.