Interpreting Figurative Language and Word Choice: Chapter 3

Example of figurative language or word choice (from the text)	Explain the meaning of the figurative language or word choice.	How does this language reveal Bud's feelings towards the situation?
There was a gray gas can in one corner next to a bunch of gray rakes and a pile of gray rags, and a gray tire next to some gray fishing poles. (pages 21-22)		
I walked over to the woodpile cool as a cucumber. But inside, every part of my guts was shaking. (page 26)		
I stood upon the woodpile and held the rake like it was a Louisville Slugger. I eyed where the bat was sleeping and revved the rake like I was going to hit a four-hundred-foot home run. (page 26)		

It sounded like I'd turned on a	
buzz saw in the shed. All of a	
sudden it felt like someone had	
stuck a red-hot nail right	
through my left cheek.	
(page 28)	