

# PREVIEW

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# IRONY

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Dramatic, Situational, & Verbal

Irony is used to create suspense, humor, or tension for a reader/audience.

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## DRAMATIC

- ❖ When a reader/audience knows information that one or more of the characters do not know.
- ❖ You're in on a secret!
- ❖ Like in horror films, when we know where the killer is hiding, but the characters do not. This creates suspense!
- ❖ Or, we might know a character is about to slip and fall on a banana peel, but they don't see it... creating humor!

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### SITUATIONAL

- ❖ When something occurs that is completely different than what is expected.
- ❖ Examples: A cafe owner doesn't like coffee. A fire station catches on fire. A snake is named fluffy.
- ❖ It creates humor or suspense because you would never expect it to happen.
- ❖ However, it has to be more than just bad luck. If you drop your phone in the toilet, that's not irony.

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## VERBAL

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❖ When someone says the opposite of what they mean or feel.

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❖ Sarcasm is a form of verbal irony.

❖ Usually intended to create humor, but can also be used to create tension between characters.

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## PRACTICE

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❖ For the following examples, identify the irony as either dramatic, verbal, or situational.

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Mary got in a car accident and said,  
“lucky me.”

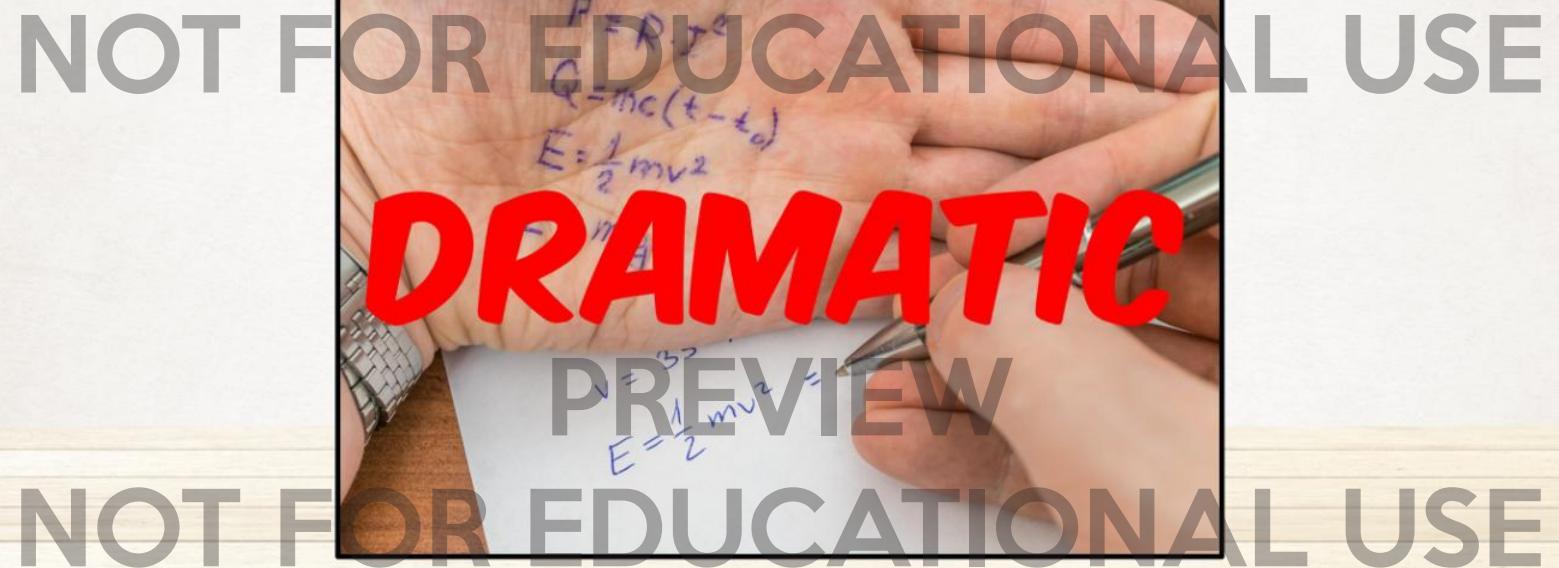


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Jason cheated on his final exam and got an A in the class. His parents bought him a new car to congratulate his hard work.



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Meet "Teeny," my neighbor's 200 pound dog.



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Johnathan has been stealing his sister's allowance from under her mattress. She doesn't even know it's missing.

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A marriage therapist files for divorce.

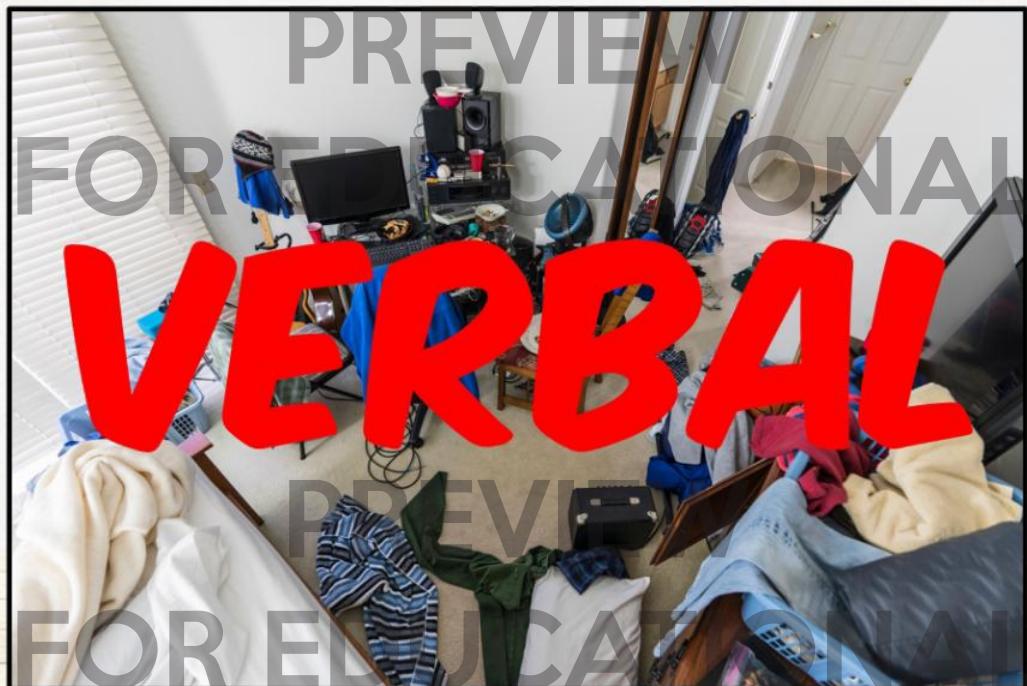


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It's a wonder you can't find your headphones  
since you keep your room so tidy.



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Dr. Smith smokes at least 10 cigarettes a day.



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A mom sneaks spinach into her kids' strawberry smoothies.



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Claudia doesn't eat meat because she's against animal cruelty, but she loves her fur coat.



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Benji is proposing to Anita tonight at dinner.



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It's a great day for a walk!

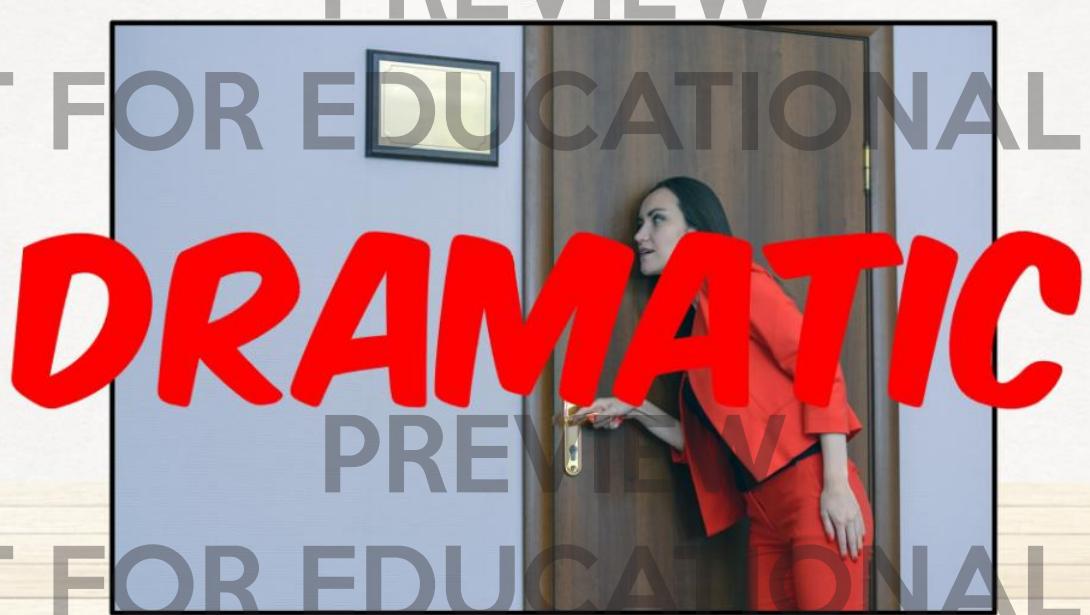


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Tina overheard her boss saying he was going to fire 50% of the staff by the end of the quarter.



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## NOTES ON IRONY

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Dramatic Irony

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Situational Irony

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Verbal Irony

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## Irony Quiz

**Part 1: Write the type of irony on the line based on the definition provided.**

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. When something occurs that is the opposite of what is expected.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. When someone says the opposite of what they mean or feel.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. When a reader or audience knows information that one or more of the characters do not know.

**Part 2: Read the following scenarios. Write the correct letter on the line that matches the type of irony described.**

a. Dramatic irony

b. Situational irony

c. Verbal irony

d. Not irony

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. The extremely talented musician Jordan Blasic has been deaf since birth.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. My mom spilled her coffee this morning and burned her hand.

\_\_\_\_\_ 6. Mike tells everyone that the cookies are oatmeal raisin when they're chocolate chip, so he can have more for himself.

\_\_\_\_\_ 7. The Bank of America had to file for bankruptcy.

\_\_\_\_\_ 8. This chair is so comfortable, it's as if I were sitting on nails.

\_\_\_\_\_ 9. Sharna eats her oatmeal unknowingly that her sister poisoned it.

\_\_\_\_\_ 10. After losing her purse and stepping in dog poop, Lacey said, "it doesn't get any better than this."

\_\_\_\_\_ 11. It rained the day of our national soccer championship, so it was cancelled.

\_\_\_\_\_ 12. McDonalds put out a public service announcement to prevent child obesity.

## Irony Quiz Answer Key

### Part 1: Write the type of irony on the line based on the definition provided.

**Situational** 1. When something occurs that is the opposite of what is expected.

**Verbal** 2. When someone says the opposite of what they mean or feel.

**Dramatic** 3. When a reader or audience knows information that one or more of the characters do not know.

### Part 2: Read the following scenarios. Write the correct letter on the line that matches the type of irony described.

a. Dramatic irony      b. Situational irony      c. Verbal irony      d. Not irony

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