

Name _____ **Paradox**



What is a Paradox?

A paradox is a statement that is based on sound reasoning, but which leads to a conclusion that doesn't seem to make any sense, but upon closer inspection reveals some truth that reconciles the apparent contradiction.

DIRECTIONS: Explain the paradox in each quotation.

1. "Whatever you do will be insignificant, but it is very important that you do it." ~ Mahatma Gandhi
2. "There are two tragedies in life. One is to lose your heart's desire. The other is to gain it." ~ George Bernard Shaw
3. "I am the wisest man alive, for I know one thing, and that is that I know nothing." ~ Plato
4. "Good judgment comes from experience, and experience comes from bad judgment." ~ Rita May Brown
5. "It's weird not to be weird". ~ John Lennon

