

Name _____ **Satire**



Verbal Irony

Verbal irony is when a writer or character says one thing but means the opposite. The purpose of satire is constructive social criticism, and as an element of satire, verbal irony is a useful tool for highlighting hypocrisy and calling attention to the delta between the way things are and the way that they should be.

DIRECTIONS: Read the assigned text. Identify examples of verbal irony. What does each example call attention to?

Quote the text:

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