

Name \_\_\_\_\_ **Satire**

# Sarcasm

Sarcasm means using words that mean the opposite of what you really want to say. As an element of satire, sarcasm is used to mock something or convey contempt. The purpose of satire is constructive social criticism, so in a satirical work, the target of sarcasm is frequently the same as the target of the work as a whole or is related to it.



**DIRECTIONS:** Identify a place in the assigned text that uses sarcasm. Quote the text.

Why/How is this an understatement?

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What is the serious issue being called to attention here?

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