



## ANSWERS

1. The speaker intends that something other than the literal meaning of their words be understood.
2. understatement, overstatement, sarcasm
3. . A writer can use verbal irony to give the reader insight into the personality of characters, both the character using the verbal irony and those hearing it, by how they react to it. A writer can use verbal irony to emphasize a character's flaws. Verbal irony can also be used as a way to throw off the reader, when something isn't revealed as having been ironic until later in the story.
4. to emphasize ideas and to expose contradictions