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Definition: The opposite of what is expected.

Example: Verbal, situational, and dramatic irony

# Verbal Irony

✓ Definition: A character says one thing but means the opposite.

Example: "The locker room smells really good," Jonas said to a room full of sweaty players.

# Situational Irony

✓ Definition: When what actually happens is the opposite of what is expected.

Example: Bill Gates, founder of Microsoft, uses an Apple computer.

### Dramatic Irony

- ✓ Definition: When the reader knows something that the character does not
- Example: Tim's parents are proud of the "A" she got on the test, but the reader knows she cheated.

#### Review



If it's said, it's verbal irony.

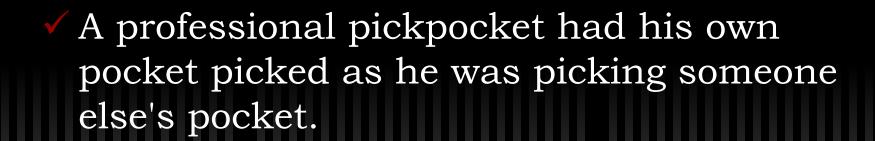
- If it's an unexpected event, it's situational irony.
- ✓ If it's unknown to the character, it's dramatic irony.

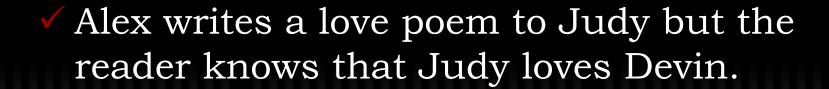
✓ I will read a statement.

Raise your hand to identify the type of irony: verbal, situational, or dramatic.

You may use your notes, but be prepared to explain your answer.

✓ "Awesome! Another homework packet!," the overworked student exclaimed.





✓ A soldier shoots at the enemy, but the bullet ricochets and he is hit with his own bullet.

A mother walks into a room and sees that her children, instead of doing their homework, are playing video games. She tells them, "Once you're done with your very important work there, let's take some time out for some chemistry problems."

On a separate sheet of paper, write your name and then number one through five.

✓ I will read a statement.

On your paper, identify the type of irony: verbal, situational, or dramatic.

You buy yourself something after months of saving and then someone gets it for you for Christmas.

✓ A mother makes the least favorite dish for her kid. The kid asks "Do I have to eat this now mom?" The mother replies, "Of course you don't have to eat that right now dear, you can just eat it when you're really hungry!"

Ted thinks he's been arrested for picking up a hitchhiker while the reader knows he's being questioned by police about a murder.

✓ Sarge looks at Zero's crumpled shirt and says, "That's a very well pressed shirt you have on there!"

✓ A couple appears in court to finalize a divorce, but during the proceeding, they remarry instead.

# Answers to Independent Practice

Situational

Verbal

Dramatic

Verbal

Situational