Isn't it Ironic?
The Types of Irony
Learning Objective

- We will be able to identify and explain the three types of Irony through the use of a variety of pictures and texts.
The Warm-up Question
Types of Irony Graphic Organizer
Examples of Irony
Reflection
Analyze pictures to determine kind of irony
Analyze text to determine kind of irony.
Warm-up Question
In 1981, while standing next to his car, President Ronald Reagan was hit in the chest by a bullet fired by John Hinkley Jr. In fact, Hinkley's bullet completely missed President Reagan, but then ricocheted off the car's bulletproof window, and struck President Reagan in the chest.

-What is Irony? How is the passage above an example of Irony? Use evidence to justify your answer.
Definition: A contrast between what is expected and what actually happens.

Situational: Something happens that we wouldn’t expect to happen.

Teacher Example: A fire station burns down.

Dramatic: the reader knows something the characters do not

Teacher Example: Home Alone- We know that Kevin has planted traps everywhere, but the thieves don’t!

Verbal: what is said is different than what is meant

Teacher Example: You tell someone to break a leg but you mean for them to have good luck.
Identify the following examples of irony as situational, dramatic, or verbal…

**Slide #1:**
George breaks a date with his girlfriend so he can go to a ball game with the guys. At the concession stand, he runs into his girlfriend with another guy.
**Answer:**

**SITUATIONAL IRONY**

**How is it an example of IRONY?**

- We do not expect George to see his girlfriend with another guy.
Answer:
SITUATIONAL IRONY

How is the picture an example of IRONY?

– We don’t expect a FITNESS CENTER to have an escalator because they cause you to burn LESS calories.
Slide #3
You are watching a horror movie. You know that the bad guy is waiting for the main character in the closet, but the character doesn’t know and unknowingly opens the closet door.
Answer: DRAMATIC IRONY

Why is it an example of IRONY?

- You, as the audience, know something that the main character does not.
As you walk outside into the pouring rain, your friend sarcastically comments, “What lovely weather we’re having today.”
Answer:
VERBAL IRONY

Why is it an example of IRONY?
– Your friend is saying that it is lovely weather but what she means is just the opposite. It is a very dreary day.
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How is the picture an example of irony?

- The guy is calling the protestors stupid, but he spelled, “morons” wrong!
A police station gets robbed.
Answer: SITUATIONAL IRONY

How is it an example of IRONY?

- We wouldn’t expect a POLICE STATION to get robbed. They investigate robberies!
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my kinda shoppin’ spree

Dollar $ Menu
Answer: SITUATIONAL IRONY

How is the picture an example of IRONY?

– It is ironic that a McDonald’s sign is beside a sign about obesity!
When watching a talk show, the audience knows why a person has been brought on the show. However, the person in the chair does not know that they are going to be reunited with a long lost friend.
How is it an example of IRONY?

- The audience knows information that a character does not! (We know why the person has been brought on the show, but they don’t!)
Reflection

• Three kinds of irony
• Things you are unsure about/Questions about irony
What kind of irony does this show? Explain.
9. Your date for the school dance shows up in ripped jeans and a stained t-shirt. With a smirk, you say, “Oh! I see you dressed up for the occasion.”

What kind of irony does this demonstrate? Explain.
What kind of irony does this show? Explain.
What kind of irony does this image show? Explain.
What kind of irony does this demonstrate? Explain.
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