

Satire

“a way of criticising a person, an idea or an institution in which you use humour (e.g. parody or irony) to show their faults or weaknesses; a piece of writing that uses this type of criticism.”

Wehmeier, Sally. *Oxford Advanced Learner's Dictionary of Current English*, 7th ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2005, p. 1346-7.

to satirise; satirical, satirist

Parody

“a piece of writing, music, acting, etc. that deliberately copies the style of sb/sth in order to be amusing.”

Wehmeier, Sally. *Oxford Advanced Learner's Dictionary of Current English*, 7th ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2005, p. 1102.

“(Gk ‘beside, subsidiary or mock song’) The imitative use of the words, style, attitude, tone and ideas of an author in such a way as to make them ridiculous. This is usually achieved by exaggerating certain traits [...]”

Cuddon, J.A. *The Penguin Dictionary of Literary Terms and Literary History*, 3rd ed. London: Penguin Books, 1991, p. 682.

to parody; parodist

Irony

“The use of words that say the opposite of what you really mean, often as a joke and with a tone of voice that shows this.”

Wehmeier, Sally. *Oxford Advanced Learner's Dictionary of Current English*, 7th ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2005, p. 822.

ironic