

Situational Irony

Situational irony occurs when the outcome of an event or situation is the opposite of what is expected. The result can range from the humorous to the tragic.

Read the following examples of situational irony. Discuss why they are ironic with your partner.

1. A woman is nervous about attending a wedding because she is single, but she goes there and meets her future husband.
2. Bill Gates wins a computer in a contest.
3. You buy yourself something after months of saving and then someone gets it for you for Christmas!
4. A terrorist didn't pay enough postage on a letter bomb. It came back with "return to sender" stamped on it. He opened it and was blown up.

