

5.6.1 Comedy genres (Std, ES and EAL/D)

The effect of humour

The following is a list of some comedy genres. In groups:

- choose one, research it and find examples
- present your definition and findings to the class in a 3-minute PowerPoint presentation (embedding a short video will help illustrate your ideas) so that the rest of the class can complete the table below.

Types	Definition/ explanation	Example
slapstick		
parody		
spoof		
satire		
black comedy		
farce		





Techniques for humour

In your group:

1. Research one of the techniques of creating humour below to find the examples you find most humorous.
2. Post your examples on a 'graffiti wall' in the class.
3. When other groups view your examples they will need use them work out the meaning of the technique.
4. At the end of the lesson, all groups share their definitions and choose the most accurate and useful to complete the table below

Techniques	Examples	Explanation
word play/pun		
misunderstanding		
mock epic/ heroic		
double entendre / innuendo		
irony		
incongruity		
hyperbole / exaggeration		
malapropism		
sarcasm		

Applying humour

Identify the kinds of humour used in the Get your hand off it advertisements and give examples.

Advertisement	Type of humour being used	Detailed example
Hip hop	<ul style="list-style-type: none">••	
Rock	<ul style="list-style-type: none">••	
Country	<ul style="list-style-type: none">••	

