**COMEDY AND POWER**

1. What is satire and what are its aims? Define it in your own words.
2. What are some humorous devices that satire can use? List some examples
3. How does mixing comedy and criticism affect one’s argument? What happens if there is an abundance of comedy? What about an abundance of criticism?
4. When might it be most effective to use satire? When would it be least effective?
5. Does satire need to be political? Does it need to address a complex issue? What other forms of satire could there be?
6. Imagine that you are a government official, whose latest decision has become the subject of a popular satirical work. What would be an effective way to react to it?