

sense of humour

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humour and culture

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MB6NXzGKMKg>

Watch the TED talk and stop when necessary. It's partly related to the national stereotypes (last week).

- + list new words and phrases
- + take notes of interesting points and share them in the discussion forum

nations in jokes

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2016/may/08/crude-but-rarely-nasty-the-jokes-europeans-tell-about-their-neighbours>

- + read the text and list useful / new words...
- + think of more examples and share them in the discussion forum

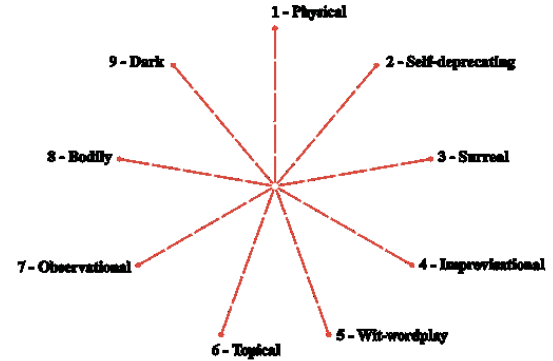
yourself...?

<https://medium.com/@jane.pernille/workshop-exercise-humor-mapping-26dfd3b70>

There are 9 types of humour - what's yours?

Range how much you laugh of the following types of humour by placing a dot on each line. All the way out means you laugh the most, and closer to the center means you laugh less. When you have evaluated all of them you draw lines between the dots.

Name: _____



1 - Physical

Also referred to as slapstick, this style of humour involves physicality. It can be everything from clowns to misad to funny facial expressions to someone falling over. Or, in other words, the entire audience of 'Australia's Funniest Home Videos'.

2 - Self-deprecating

This kind of humour is a favourite among stand-up comedians, in which they basically make themselves the butt of a joke and are rewarded with laughs. It's also a style that has been further popularised by the internet, particularly with memes.

3 - Surreal

As suggested by the name, this style of humour can be pretty weird, featuring illogical events, absurd situations or nonsensical themes. Or in other words, just plain silly. The best example of this would have to be 'Monty Python'... enjoy.

4 - Improvisational

Comedy without a plan. Ever seen 'Whose Line is it Anyway?' or 'Thank God You're Here?' That's what we're talking about.

The fact you know the person is making up the jokes on the spot makes this style of comedy even funnier (and impressive, if they do it well).

5 - Wit-wordplay (Dad humour)

Usually a play on words, this humour involves twisting language around with humorous results. (And yes, puns do fall into this category. Dads everywhere, rejoice.)

6 - Topical

Humour based on current events or trends. 'Saturday Night Live' would be a prime example of this, as would most sketch comedy shows or late-night talk shows. This sort of humour requires having a thorough knowledge of what's going on in the world (news, elections, pop culture etc.) and the ability to put a humorous spin on it.

7 - Observational

The ability to poke fun at everyday life.

8 - Bodily

Ah, yes, the home of the old toilet joke. This is everything to do with farts or other bodily functions. This is a divisive type of humour that tends to be popular with men and teenagers.

9 - Dark

Jokes about the things in life we usually shouldn't try to joke about (like death or disability) and other politically incorrect jokes.