

verbal irony *(ver-bal-i-ro-ny)*

Definition

n. A figure of speech in which what is said is the opposite of what is meant, often used for humorous or emphatic effect.

Example Sentence

Her statement, dripping with **verbal irony**, left everyone in stitches.

More Example Sentences

He used **verbal irony** to express his frustration without being overtly rude.

Synonyms

sarcasm; wit; satire

Antonyms

literalness; sincerity; truthfulness

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