

THE ART OF HUMOR IN YOUR MASTERPIECE

... FROM COMIC RELIEF TO GENIUS I.Q.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU...

- A Day at the Zoo ednae9@aol.com
- Your funniest story in two, yes **2**, minutes.
- Dr. Ori Amir, neurosurgeon (yes, he cuts up brains by day and is a stand-up comedian by night! In Glendale, California)

HUMOR PART OF HUMAN BEHAVIOR

- Japan's "Forest Showers" include meditation on God, ancient sayings, past memories.
- Silence
- Giggles and laughing out loud

HUMOR IS CONTAGIOUS

- Humor is hard wired into the human genome.
- Humor makes us smarter, healthier, and more attractive.
- Laughing raises your heart rate 29%, but does not help us lose weight.
- You are 30% more likely to laugh from being with friends than hearing a joke.

PARAPROSDOKIAN

Where there's a will, I want to be in it.

Since light travels faster than sound, people appear bright
until you hear them speak.

Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

I used to be decisive, but now I'm not sure.

HUMOR IS AN INCONGRUITY:

ABSURD, INAPPROPRIATE, ETC.

- Humor is Super Food for the brain.
- Brains crave humor.
- Brains are muscles.They need exercise.
- .I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder
and harder to find one now.

WHAT BUILDS BRAIN MUSCLES?

- INFORMATION!
- It lights up a brain on an MRI.
- Humor Makes the Brain Happy: Actual Psychedelic Colors.
- Humor Is Druglike.
- Humor Is Similar to Opium and Endorphins.

HUMOR IS PLEASURABLE. TEE HEE.

- Instead of an “Aha” Moment, You Get a HaHa Moment.

- What’s This?:

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- A group of germs avoiding one of them who caught antibiotics.

TAKE A GUESS:

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To be sure of hitting the target,
shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.

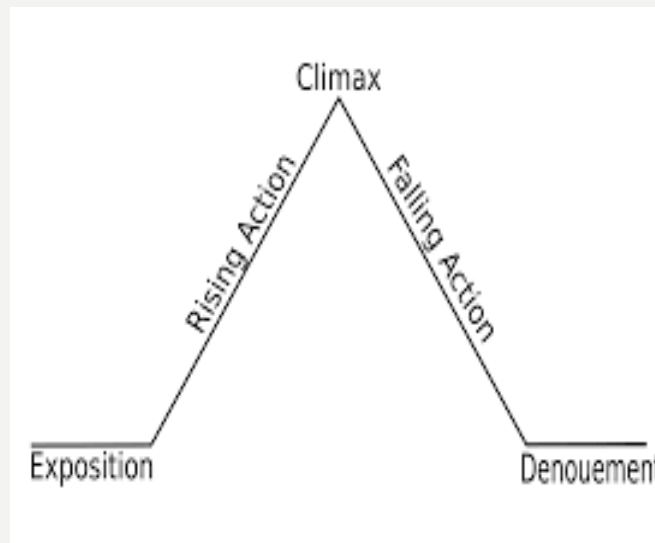
YOU TRY IT!

- Draw a large oval: not horizontal, but vertical.
- Inside the oval, draw two more ovals but horizontal
 - Here
 - Here
- It's a pig, looking at book titles on a library shelf. Psychedelic!

IN A BOOK OR MOVIE SCRIPT

- Add humor
- In a character sarcasm, slapstick, innocence, as a sidekick
- In a setting
- In a sudden situation
- In a story or joke someone tells
- In an aside

WHERE SHOULD I ADD HUMOR TO MY MASTERPIECE?



IN A FICTION PLOT

- In the beginning or the second scene (Exposition)
- In the rising action
- In at the climax
- In the ending (Denouement)
- *It's never too late to learn something stupid.*

HAPPY WRITING !

- ...And giggling
- ... And raising the I.Q. levels of all your readers.

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