Humorous Devices

1. Exaggeration

 Hyperbole

 Understatement

2. Mock Seriousness: making fun using literature

or history or current event

 Allusion

3. Sarcasm (from the Greek “to tear flesh”)

 \* Saying the opposite of what you

 mean ( VERBAL IRONY) with the intent to ridicule

 \* Saying something which will hurt the receiver

 \* Ridiculing the victim

4. Absurdity

 \* Ridiculous; unreasonable

 \* Irrational

 \* Could not really happen

5. Unusual Word Choice