The Lottery

Introduction to Satire
Why do people buy lottery tickets?
Why do people gamble?
How are people’s lives affected if they win?
What are some **pros** and **cons** of winning the lottery?
A **satire** is using humour to expose flaws in people and society.

Can you think of any TV shows that use satire?
Ironic: A type of humour based on using words/statements to suggest the opposite of their literal meaning.

Sarcasm: Remarks that mean the opposite of what they seem to say, and are intended to mock. Sarcasm is more cutting than irony.
Conventions of humour in satirical writing:

**Contrast:** The juxtaposition of two different subjects or people, which results in a comedic effect.

**Exaggeration:** Statements which suggest that something is better, worse, more common, or more important than it really is.
**Conventions of humour in satirical writing:**

**Surprise:** Statements which cause one to feel wonder or amazement, especially because of something unexpected.

**Ridicule:** Statements which mock and make fun of someone or something, in a contemptuous way.