

Literary Analysis

HUMOR

Voltaire conveys his satirical messages through **humor**. There are three basic types of humor.

- **Humor of situation** involves exaggerated events or situational irony.
- **Humor of character** often involves exaggerated personality traits or characters who cannot recognize their own failings.
- **Humor of language** may involve verbal irony, puns, hyperbole, or absurd language.

Directions: In the chart, record at least two examples of each basic type of humor found in *Candide*.

Type of Humor	Example from <i>Candide</i>
humor of situation	
humor of character	
humor of language	