

**Essay 4**  
**Satire and Other Things**  
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Having completed essays of praise and blame, you are now ready to move on to satire, which often combines these modes. As you know, satire is mockery aimed at changing something or preventing change in the world outside the text. Therefore, a satiric essay uses the resources of the essay form to achieve satiric ends. Like the essay of blame, satire is often aimed at structures of unjust power and dangerous stupidities; like the essay of praise, satire usually advocates a solution, either implicitly or explicitly.

**For your fourth essay, you may:**

- 1. Write a satiric essay on a topic of your choice.**
- 2. Write some other kind of essay. If you choose this option, you must obtain my permission first.**

**Preparatory Satiric Mad Lib**

In this essay, I intend to mock \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_.

I aim to use the following tools of satire: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_.

I blame the object of mockery because \_\_\_\_\_.

I offer the following solution \_\_\_\_\_ /