



INTRO TO

IRONY



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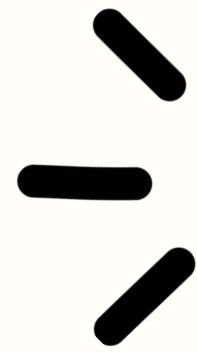
01. What is irony? Why do we use it?

02. Examples of irony

03. Identify irony

WHAT IS IRONY?

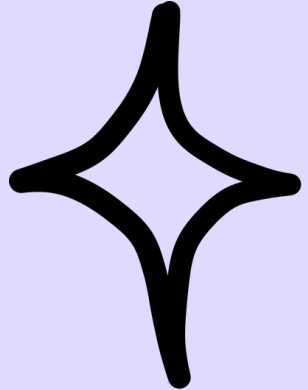
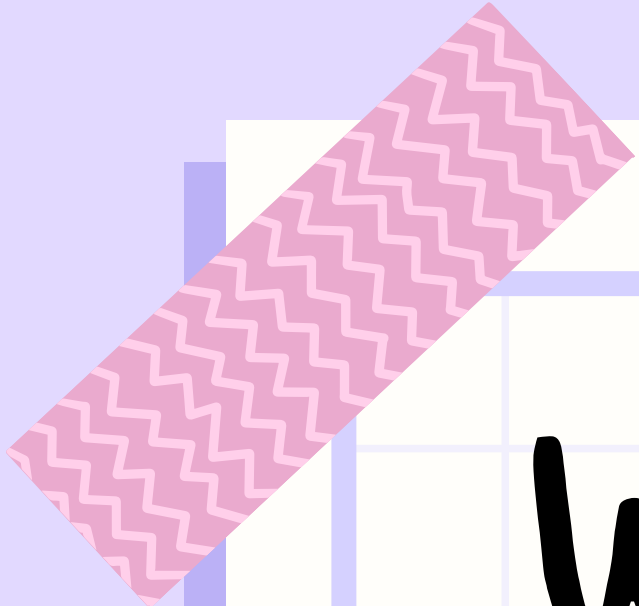
what do you think it means when
something is “ironic” ?



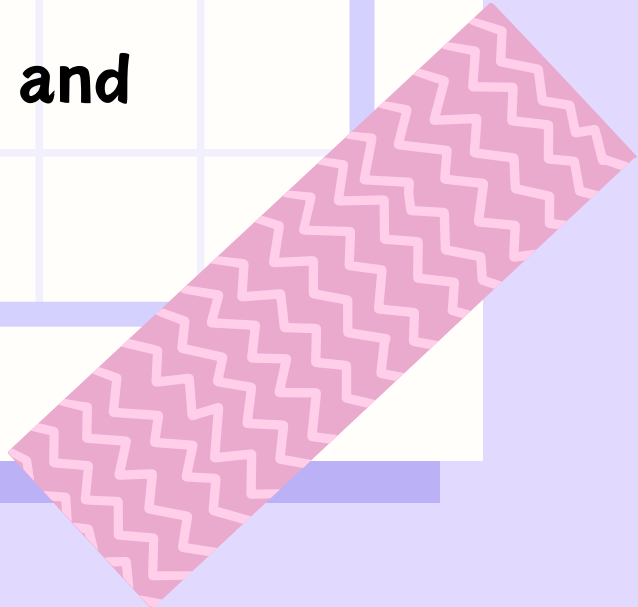
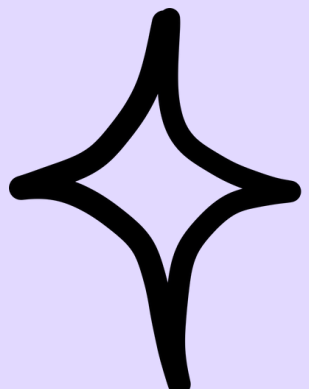
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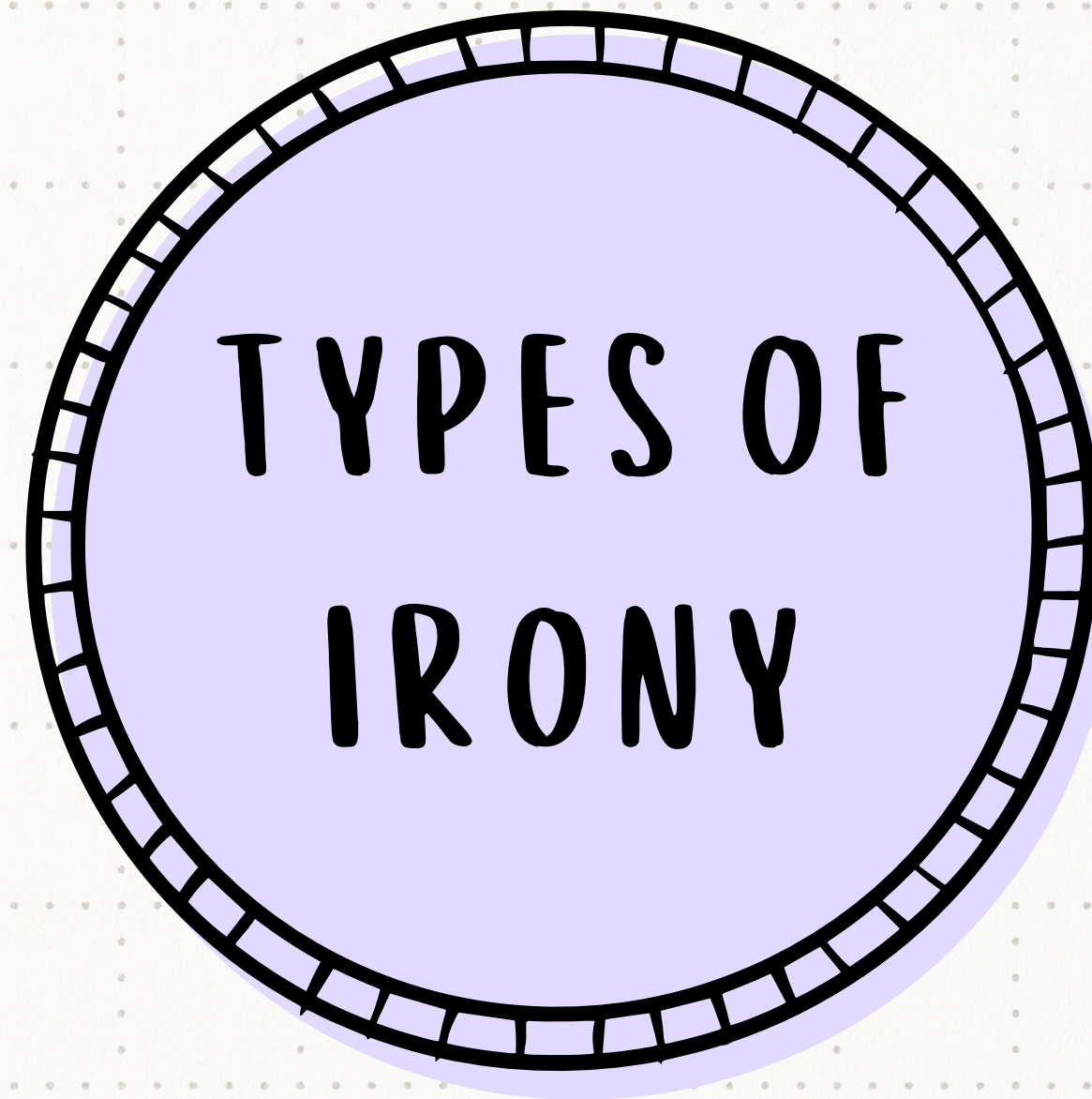


Irony occurs
when the **opposite** of what is
expected happens.



WHY DO WE USE IRONY?

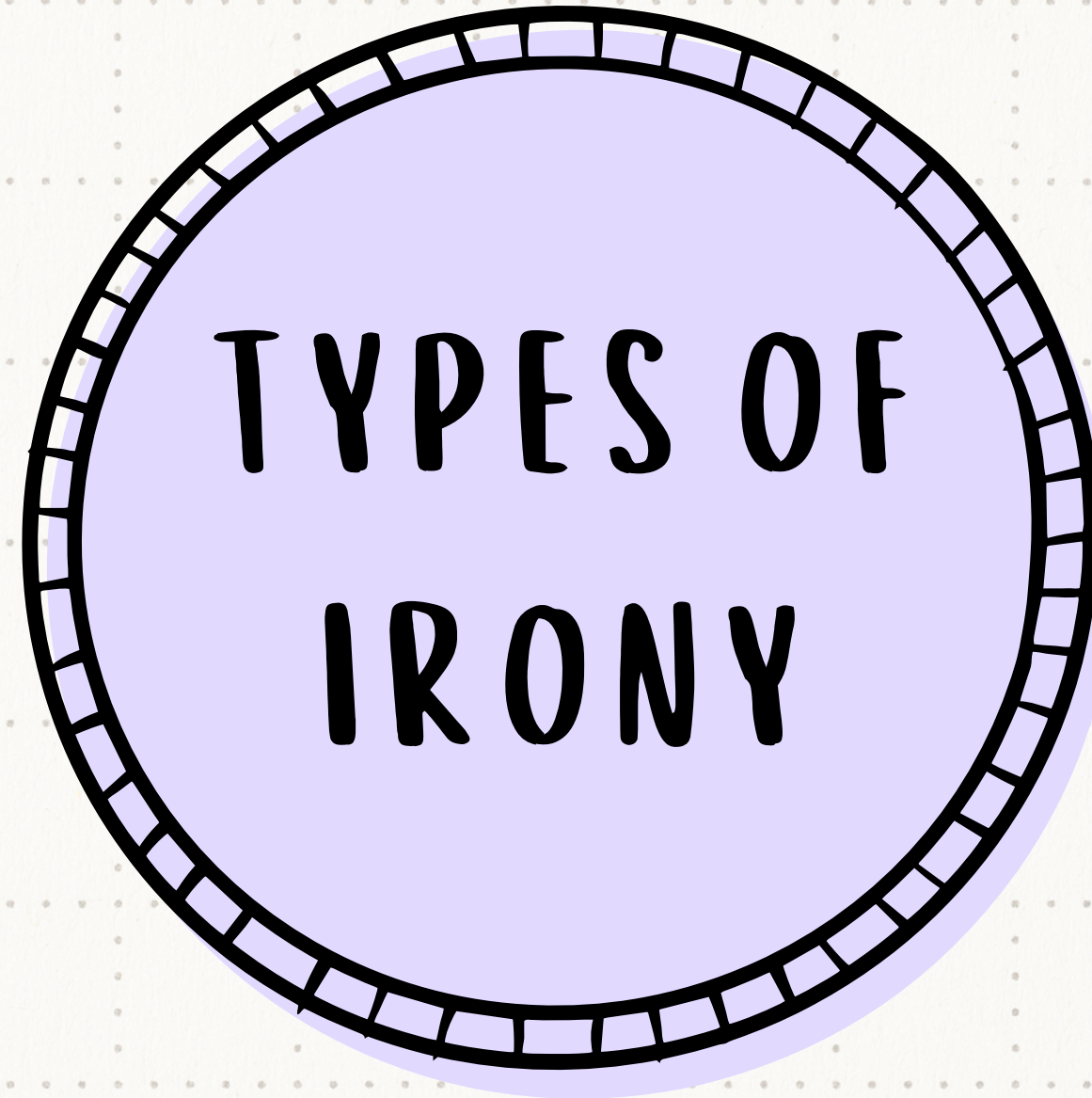
1. To add suspense so the reader continues to read.
 2. To add surprise to contrast the reader's expectations.
 3. To add complexity to characters and storylines.
 4. To create a contrast between how things appear and how they really are.
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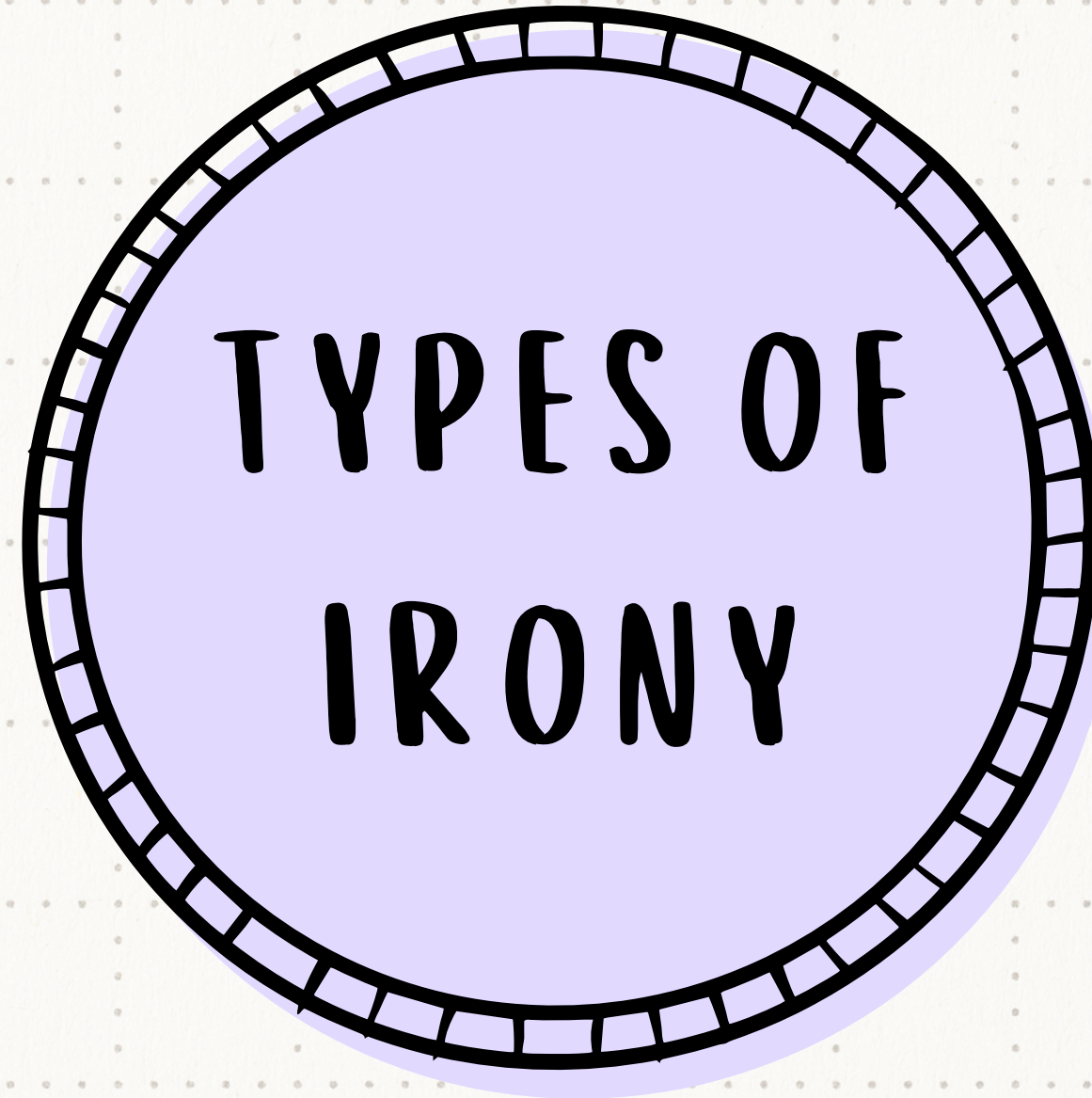
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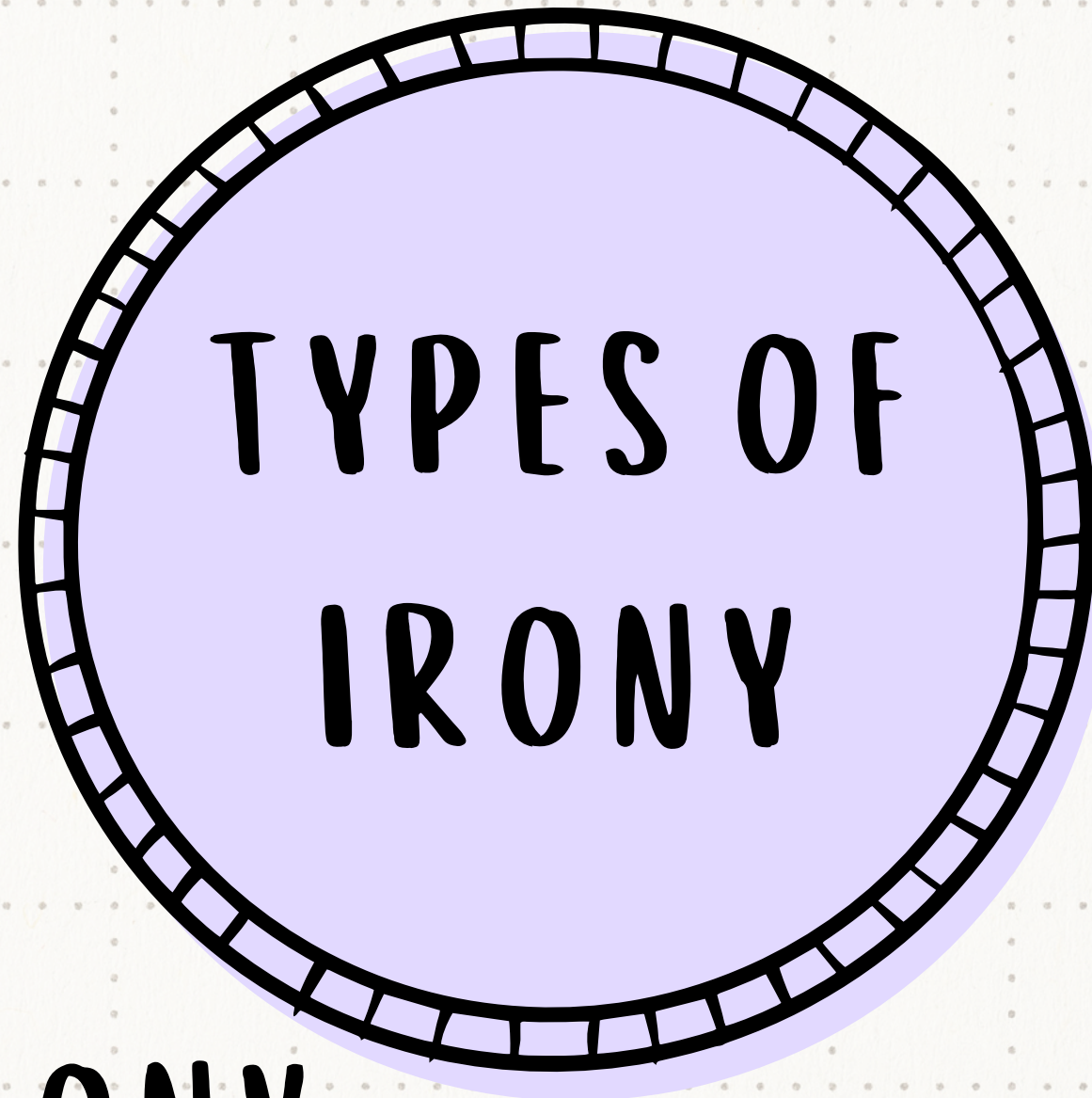
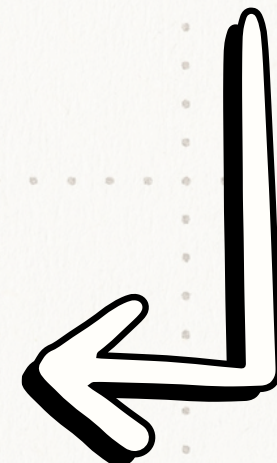
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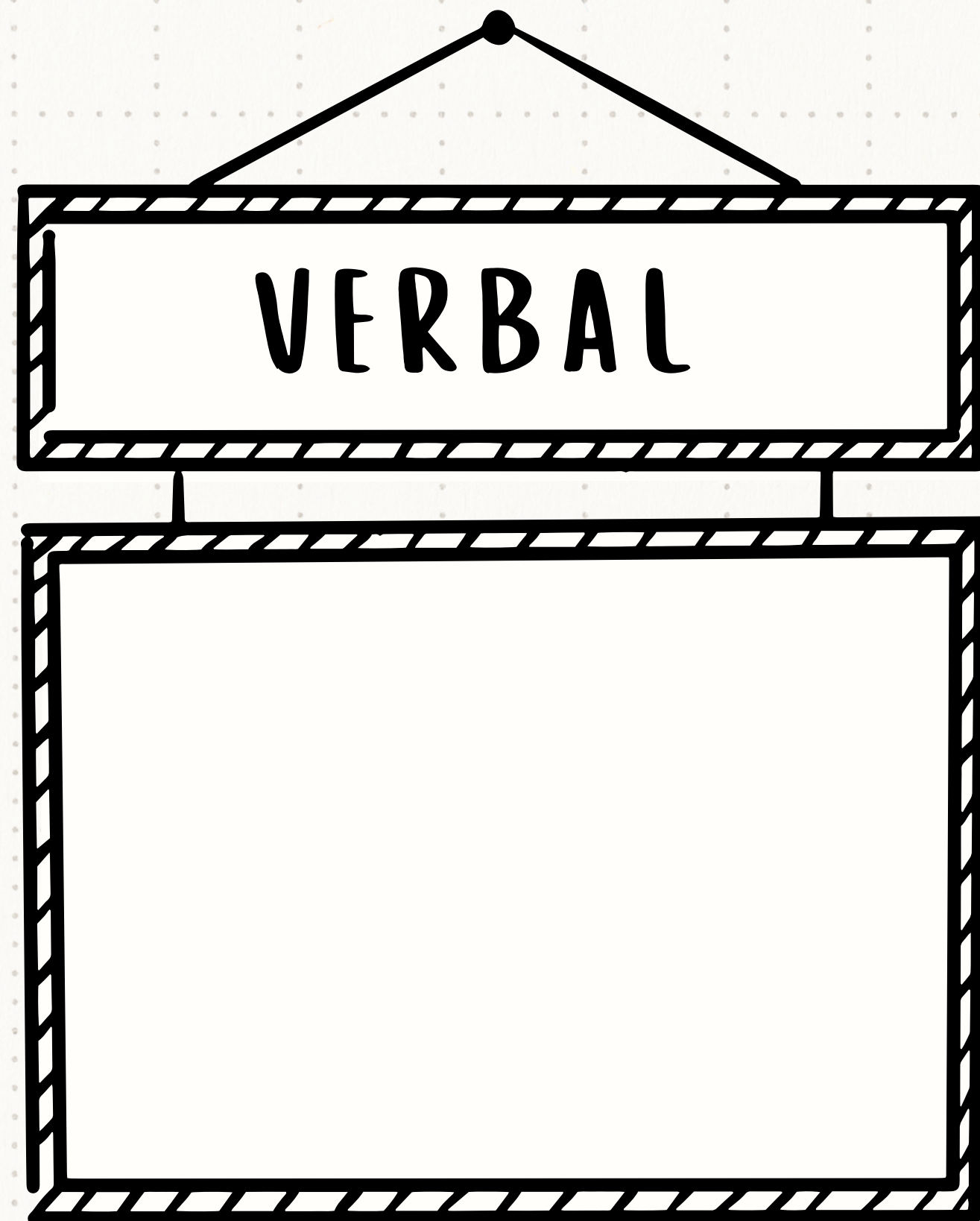


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DRAMATIC IRONY

When the reader or audience knows something more than the characters in the story



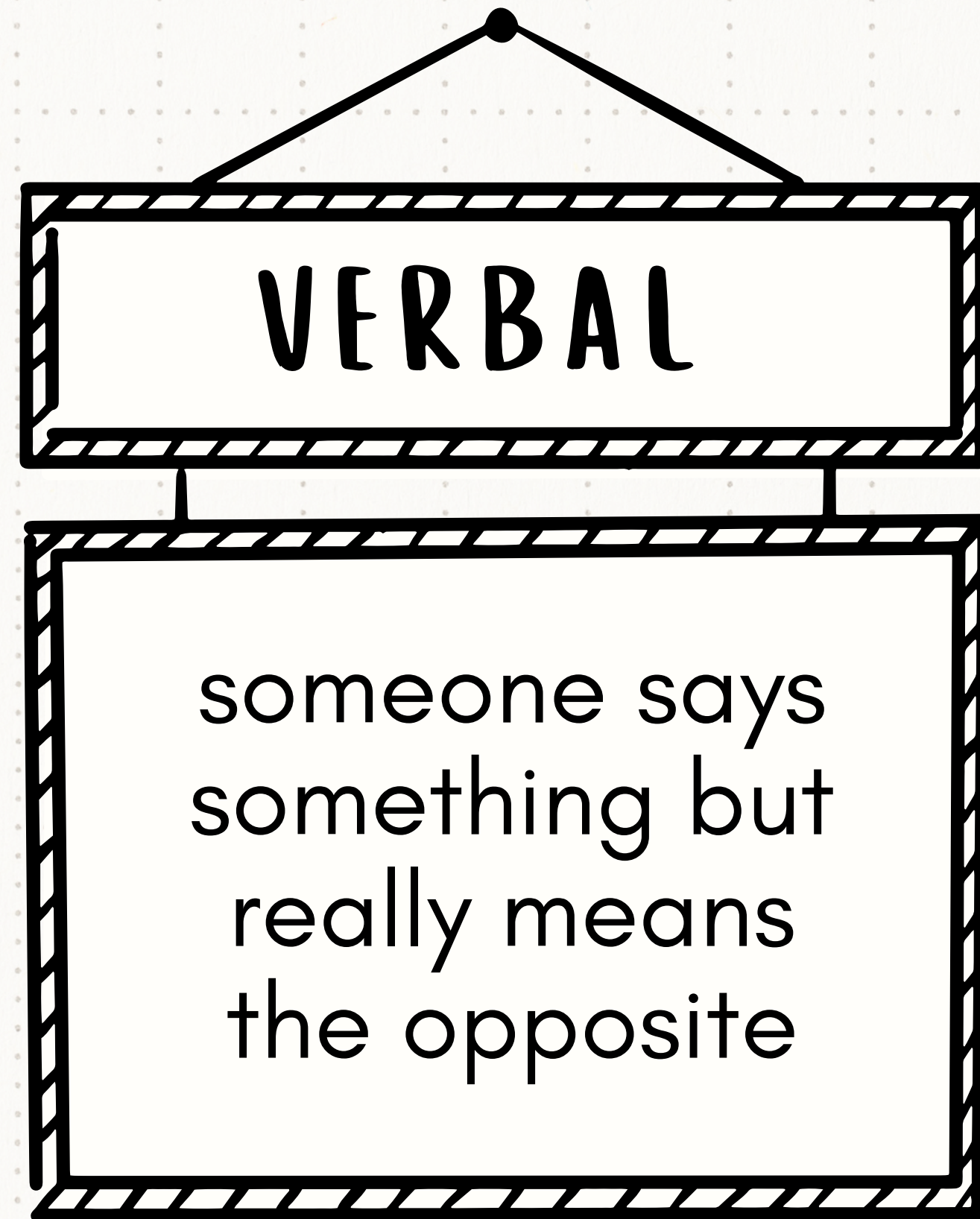


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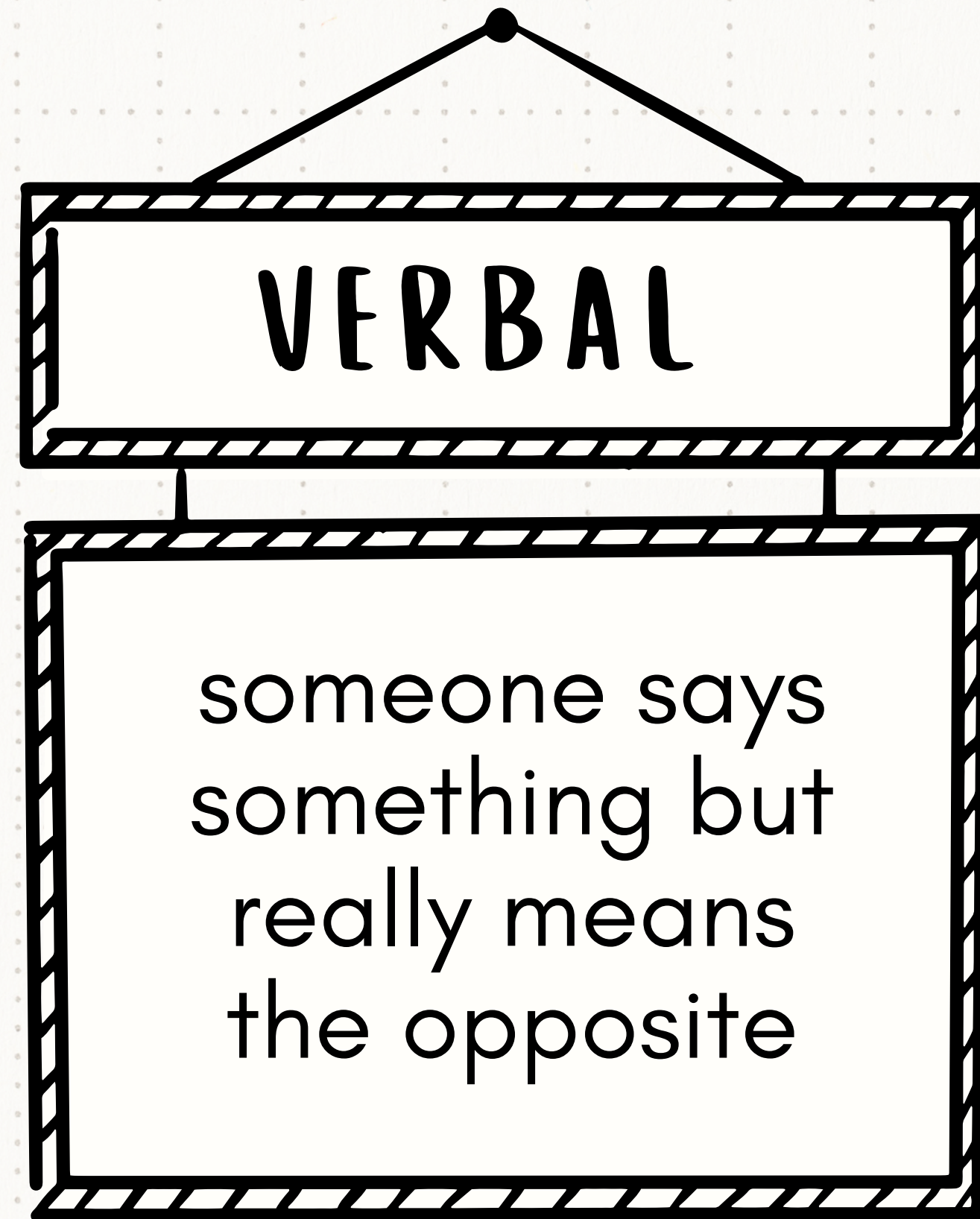


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Sarcasm, understatement, and overstatement are examples of verbal irony.

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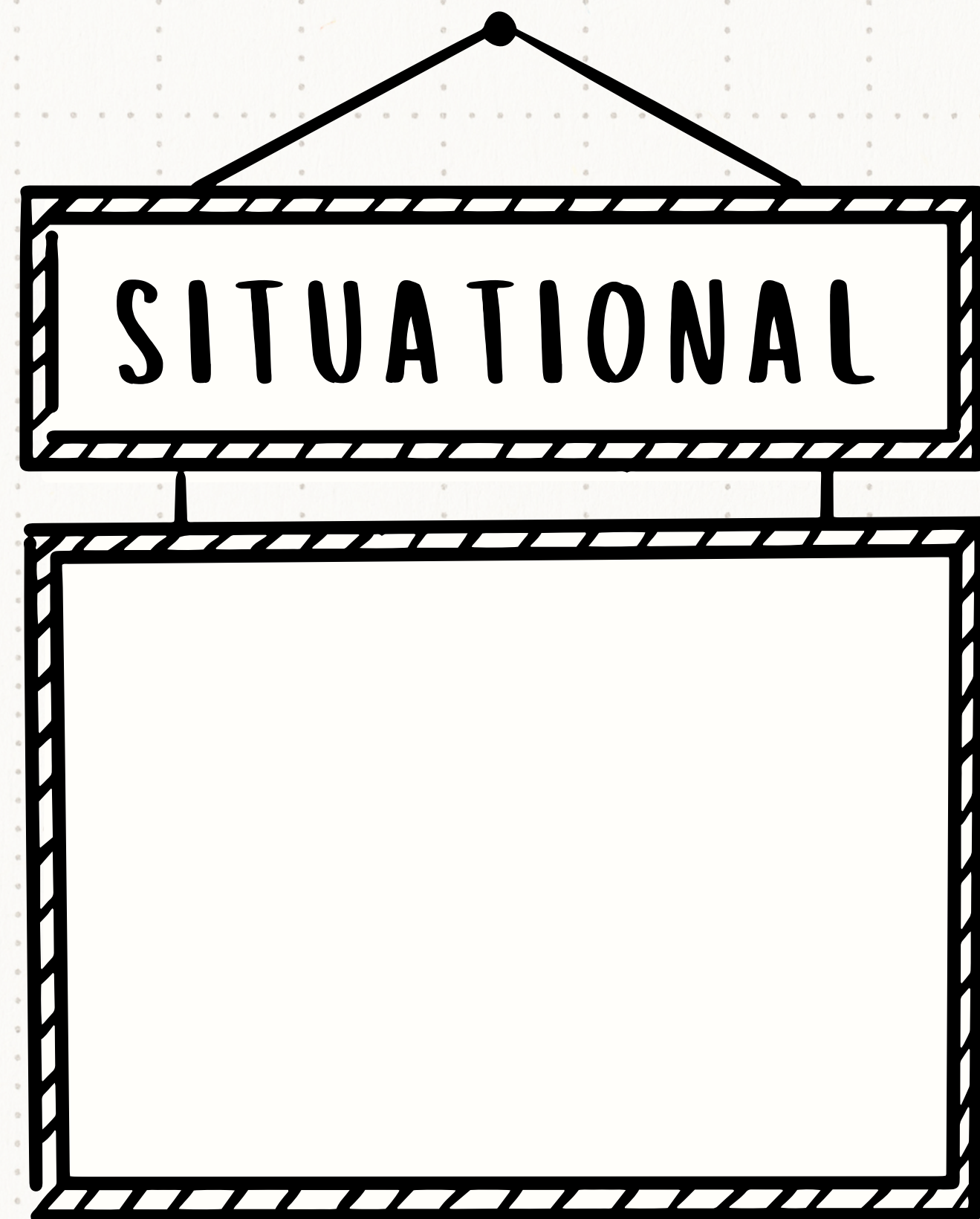
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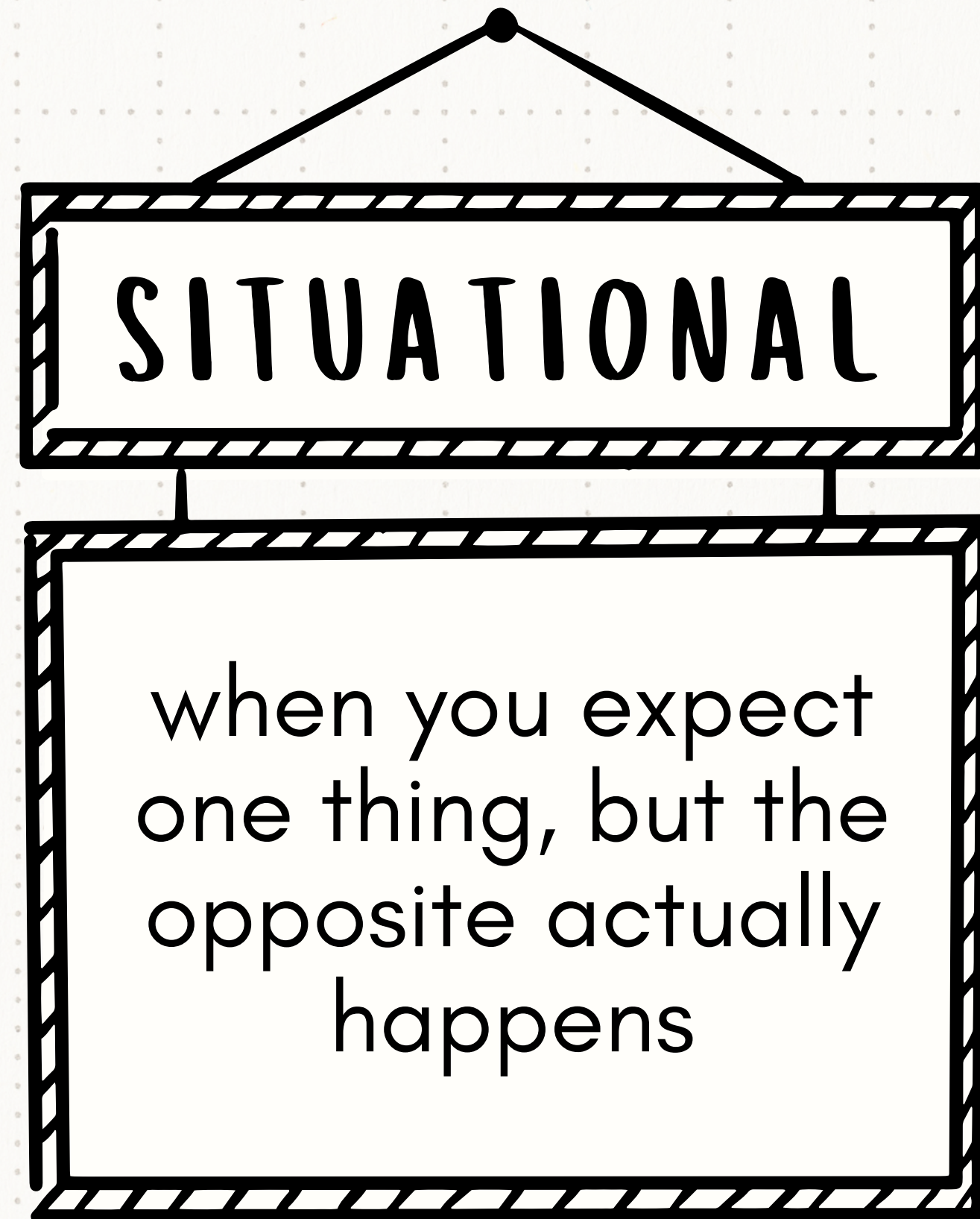
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Julius Caesar: The conspirators expect their assassination of Caesar to result in peace, but instead it causes war.

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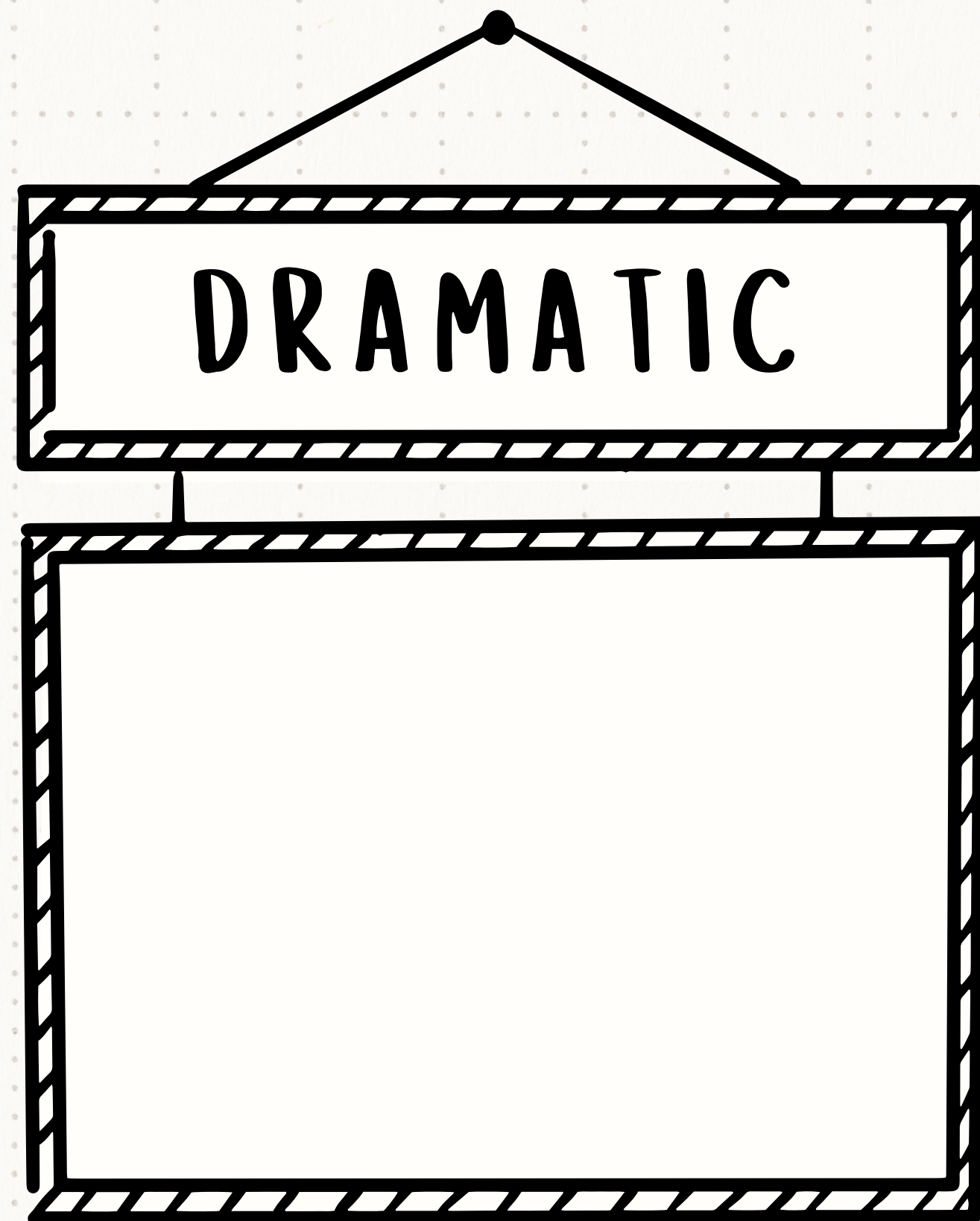
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For example, the audience knows that Calpurnia's dream could save Caesar, but he ignores it.

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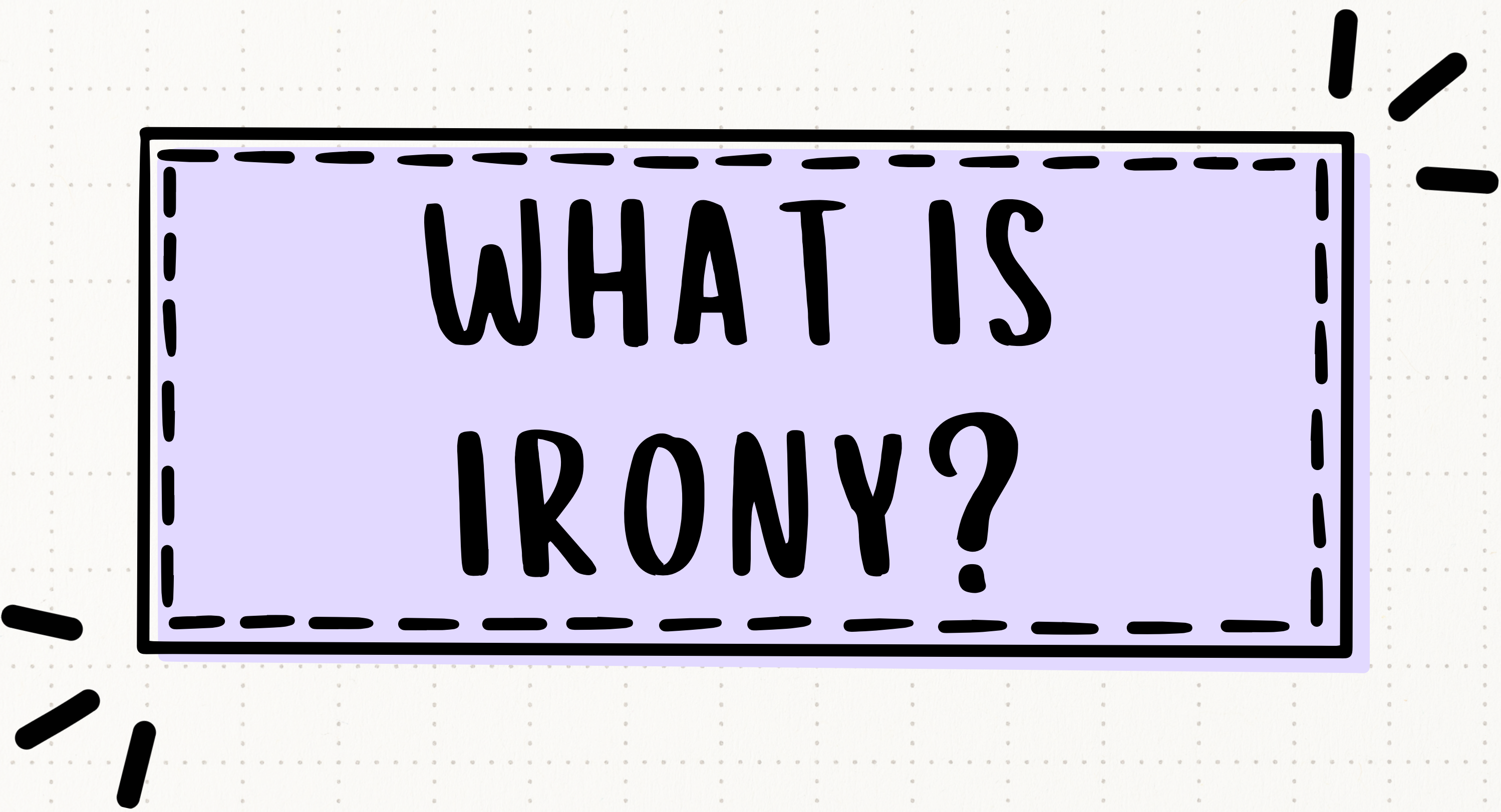
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No - this is just a plot device
How could it be ironic?



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