

Humour and “Dad Jokes”

- What is your favourite type of humour?
- What’s your favourite funny movie/show?
- Does your country have it’s own specific type of humour? How would you describe it?
- Do you have any funny stories you like to tell people?
- Who is the funniest person you know? What makes them so funny?



1. Insert words from the box into the sentences below.

hilarious	dark humour	pun
witty	dad joke	slapstick
chuckle	dry humour	offensive

- Very old comedies didn’t have any sound, so they had to rely on *slapstick* humour.
- The comedian got in trouble for making *offensive* jokes.
- My friends like really *dark humour*, which really upsets some people.
- It was the most *hilarious* story I’ve ever heard, I couldn’t stop laughing.
- This show is good, it always makes me *chuckle*.
- We couldn’t complete the railway because we got sidetracked, no *pun* intended.
- He’s so *witty*, he can think of a good joke in less than a second. I could never think of that!
- A lot of British people have very *dry humour*, sometimes I’m not even sure if they’re joking or not!
- My fiancé loves *dad jokes*, the dumber a joke is, the more he laughs.



2. Pair work: with a partner read the dad jokes and puns below. Discuss which jokes you like and dislike. Ask your teacher if you are confused by some of the jokes.

- What do you call a pig with three eyes? Piiig.

- It takes guts to be an organ donor.

-I told my wife she should embrace her mistakes... She gave me a hug.

-How do you make a water bed more bouncy? Add spring water.

-My wife told me to stop acting like a flamingo, So I had to put my foot down.

-What do you call a belt made of \$100 bills? A waist of money.

-I had this crazy dream where I was virtually weightless... I was like Omg.

-I broke my finger last week... On the other hand I'm OK.

-What's the difference between ignorance and indifference? I don't know and I don't care.

-I've asked so many people what LGBTQ stands for. So far no one has given me a straight answer.

-I hate it when my wife says "Are you listening to me?!" Such a random way to start a conversation.

-Tequila may not fix your life. But it's worth a shot.

- What do you call a person with a nose but no body? Nobody knows.

- I want to tell you about a girl who only eats plants. You've probably never heard of herbivore.

- I'm trying to learn the alphabet but I can't get past X. I don't know why.



3. Pair work: try to think of a common joke in your own language, and see if it translates into English.



4. Extra task/homework: go to <https://thelanguagenerds.com/40-times-people-saw-hilarious-puns-and-just-had-to-share-them/> (or google "language nerds puns"). Read through the puns and write down two you think are funny, and two you don't understand.