

# Download How To Interpret Political Cartoons

Political cartoons use imagery and text to comment on a contemporary social issue. They may contain a caricature of a well-known person or an allusion to a contemporary event or trend. By examining the image and text elements of the cartoon, you can start to understand its deeper message and evaluate its effectiveness. Page 4

**LESSON 5: ANALYZING POLITICAL CARTOONS** Cartoonists use five main elements to convey their point of view.

- symbolism - using an object to stand for an idea
- captioning and labels - used for clarity and emphasis

Develop critical question to explore the artistic techniques used in political cartoons and how these techniques impact a cartoon's message

Evaluate an author or artist's meaning by identifying his or her point of view

Identify and explain the artistic techniques used in political cartoons

Analyze ... The Jyllands-Posten Muhammad cartoons controversy (or Muhammad cartoons crisis) (Danish: Muhammedkrisen) began after the Danish newspaper Jyllands-Posten published 12 editorial cartoons on 30 September 2005, most of which depicted Muhammad, a principal figure of the religion of Islam. The newspaper announced that this was an attempt to contribute to the debate about criticism of Islam and self ..., How To Interpret Political Cartoons.

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