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Twain's Comic Voice

Directions: While reading, look for the following comic devices that Twain uses and explain what each device reveals about people, society, and/or belief systems.

Keep in mind your thesis statement for your essay on The Adventures of Tom Sawyer is: ***Throughout The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, Twain utilizes [insert comic devices] to reveal [insert what these devices reveal about people, society, and/or the belief systems they hold].***

Literary Technique	Examples of the technique (include appropriate citation)	What these examples reveal about people, society, and/or their beliefs
Satire: Example: Political cartoons and fables "Tortoise and the Hare"- Teaches lessons while making fun of human tendencies or actions	"She seldom or never looked through them [glasses] for so small a thing as a boy, for they were her state pair, the pride of her heart, and were built for "style" not service; she could have seen through a pair of stove lids as well" (Twain 1). ← Notice the citation.	Twain is referring to people's obsession with fashion. He shows that people will do anything, even look absolutely ridiculous, in order to be "in style". He is commenting on this in hopes that people see the ridiculousness of styles to stop adhering to them. [NOTE: this is also an example of a hyperbole]
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<p>Diction:</p> <p>Example: Difference between “are you gunna watch that crazy movie tonight or whatcha gunna do?” OR “are you going to watch that film this evening or will you read your novel instead?”</p>		
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