Irony Mini-Quiz

Part 1: Matching

_____1. Situational Irony

_____2. Dramatic Irony

_____3. Verbal Irony

Part 2: Multiple Choice

_____4. We often confusing irony with something that's
   a. funny
   b. a coincidence
   c. the opposite of what you expected
   d. both a and b

_____5. A situation is only ironic if what happens is
   a. the exact opposite of what you expected
   b. hilariously funny
   c. somewhat embarrassing
   d. a struggle between two opposing forces

_____6. Which of the following is not an example of situational irony?
   a. An Olympic diver doing a belly flop
   b. An 80-year old woman texting and blogging
   c. A ridiculously short man winning a high-jump competition
   d. A teacher running right into a door and falling on her face

_____7. Verbal irony occurs
   a. When the speaker says the opposite of what he/she means
   b. most often in pieces of science fiction
   c. if the speaker doesn’t realize he/she said something offensive
   d. when everyone knows what is being talked about except one person
8. Which two things often occur simultaneously? Verbal irony and:
   a. sincerity
   b. sarcasm
   c. hatred
   d. confusion

9. Verbal Irony and compliments are basically the same thing.
   a. True
   b. False

10. What’s an example of verbal irony?
    a. Chanting, “You’re an awesome athlete!” to an Olympian
    b. Saying, “Good job!” to someone who just rear ended a car
    c. When the sun is shining and the birds are singing, you say, “Nice weather we’re having, right?”
    d. All of the above

11. Dramatic irony is when the audience is in on a secret that the
    a. characters have missed.
    b. author is uncertain about
    c. characters don’t want to know
    d. audience, characters, and author are uncertain about

12. What do horror films and comedies have in common?
    a. They both often use verbal irony to create sarcasm.
    b. They both use dramatic irony to build suspense or create humor.
    c. They both use situational irony to create confusion.