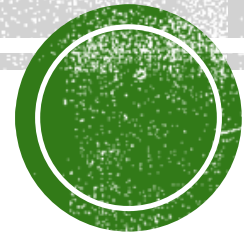


SOCIAL MEDIA

The Onion and *Fahrenheit 451*



SATIRE

- A kind of writing that ridicules human weakness, vice, or folly in order to bring about social reform.



DON'T BUY STUFF

1) Watch the following *Saturday Night Live* skit. How is this skit an example of satire? What human weakness is being ridiculed?

- <http://www.nbc.com/saturday-night-live/video/dont-buy-stuff/n12020>



THE ONION

- Read [this article about technology](#) published by The Onion.

2) How is this fictional story an example of satire?
What human weakness is being ridiculed?



FAHRENHEIT 451

- Read this excerpt from Fahrenheit 541 and respond to the following questions.

3) Write a theme statement about the excerpt:

The novel *Fahrenheit 451* is about (topic) and reveals (a universal truth about the human condition).

4) How is Mildred's addiction to TV like some people's addiction to social media? Your response should be a well-written paragraph and about **5-9 sentences**. Your response should also include at least **2 pieces of textual evidence**.

