

Of Paradox

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ABSTRACT

A successful politician is one who can conquer the head and heart of the public at ease. The paradox is that that very successful politician fails successfully to befool his wife. His wife knows very well his real identity.

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INTRODUCTION

Creative writing is based more on manifestation rather than on expression. It does not inform rather reveals, so it bears no reference. The best creative writing is critical, and the best critical writing is creative. The present article is the outcome of creative writing meant for lay readers. As such free style is the methodology adopted so that the pleasure of reading can be enjoyed by the common mass. As you know well that, Francis Bacon (1561-1626), the immortal writer, wrote many essays, and notably "Of Love", "Of Friendship", "Of Ambition", "Of Studies", etc. The myriad-minded genius rightly pointed out that all the words of the dictionary can be the themes of essays one can write. But little has been done, in this regard since his death, in order to finish his unfinished monumental works. In fact Bacon's way of presentation and his unique style kindled imagination and inspired me to write essays, in the light of creative writing, thus to get relief through Catharsis.

ARTICLE

Paradox is a person, thing or situation that has two contrary features and is therefore rather strange. It is a statement containing opposite ideas that make it seem absurd or unlikely although it is or may be true. For example: 'More haste, less speed' is a well-known paradox. It is the use of this in writing, etc. e.g. a work full of paradox and ambiguity.

Paradox is a statement or proposition seemingly self-contradictory or absurd but in reality expressing a possible truth. It is any person,

thing or situation exhibiting an apparently contradictory nature. It is an opinion or statement contrary to commonly accepted opinion.

Paradox is a statement contrary to common belief. It is a statement that seems contradictory, unbelievable, or much absurd but that may be true in fact. For example: "Water, water, everywhere, nor any drop to drink". It is a statement that is self-contradictory and, hence, false. It is a person, situation, act, etc. that seems to have inconsistent qualities or full of contradictions.

Paradox is seemingly absurd though perhaps actually well-founded statement e.g. hydrostatic paradox. It is a person or thing conflicting with a preconceived notion of what is reasonable or possible. It is a paradoxical quality or character. It is a statement contrary to accepted opinion.

Paradoxical is of, having the nature of, or expressing a paradox or paradoxes. It is of or like or involving paradox. It is fond of using paradoxes. It is seemingly full of contradictions.

Paradox ides is a typically Middle Cambrian genus or trilobites, some very large about two feet (60cm) long.

Paradoxology is the utterance or maintaining of paradoxes.

Paradoxy is the quality of being paradoxical.

Paradoxical sleep is apparently deep sleep, with actual increased brain activity.

Paradoxure is a civet-like carnivore of Southern Asia and Malaysia, the palm-cat of India. It is a

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palm civet, animal of genus *Paradoxurus* with remarkably long curving tail.

Malfunctioning of brain offers paradoxical statements which are inconsistent in nature. Such an insane character loses link of his talks thereby talks rubbish. In fact, in gossip paradoxical statement amuses the audience much. A wise never speaks paradox. Even, if he says inadvertently, he admits it instant on interrogation or identification. As such it is enjoyable more to speak with a foe having full of logic rather than a friend who talks illogically.

In science there is no paradoxical result, rather the methodology thereby observation is incorrect. There may be two identical twins. There may be two identical results. But two identical wrong results are impossible. Truth is one. Lies are many. It means result differs due to different methodologies thus adopted. When the methodology is identical result also is identical.

A man may have dual character but seldom a non-living being. This is due to the fact that man is rational and thing is irrational. Rationality has its both merit and demerit simultaneously. In case of wise rationality is merit. In case of fool or evil it is demerit. Because, a dishonest person does not do what he commits. He does not confess what he did.

Virus acts like both living and nonliving being. It is not paradox. Sometimes it acts like a living being. Sometimes it behaves like nonliving creature. It possesses two characters. Frog is amphibious. It can move both in land and water. Metal may either be in solid or in liquid state. Iron is solid. Mercury is liquid. But iron or mercury cannot remain in different state as found in normal temperature.

A word is not ambiguous by itself, rather it is used ambiguously. Ambiguity is not paradox. Thus all paradox is ambiguous but all ambiguous may not be paradox.

There is no paradox, but paradoxical or confusing policy. There are different methodologies or tactics to cheat or befool a person thus to gain the game. There is no paradox, but use thing paradoxically.

Regarding any person if it is stated that (1). The person is cheater, (2). The person is honest. This is an example of pure paradoxical statement. A person can never simultaneously be both cheater and honest. He has a unique identity. Either he

is cheater or honest. Obviously, a finished scoundrel can pretend honestly.

Man speaks paradox and faces paradox infinite times from cradle to grave in indifferent forms and features with different faces and facets having various degrees and dimensions as well.

He always created controversies by uttering paradoxes. The hydrostatic paradoxes confuse a learner at ease. As a figure of speech, paradoxes are quite common. How the best team could lose the match was a paradox.

A notorious person speaks paradox for gain and if not then applies force. Profit is his single agenda. He intends to attain it by hook or by crook or by any means fair or foul. Only a judicious can take right decision. A dishonest speaks lie i.e. paradox. Lie is alias and akin to paradox. Thus plurality of lies gives birth to paradox. Paradox is always ambiguous. One paradox gives birth to another paradox.

She sings well but cannot speak is a paradox. He who cannot speak can never sing. Ugly heroine is a paradox. A heroine can never be ugly. Unsmart hero is a paradox. Hero is always smart. Both heroine and hero must have glamour. A callous can't be a hero.

A mathematician may be dishonest. It is not paradox. Dishonesty can never be a bar to be a mathematician. Angry hero is not a paradox. Hero may either be angry or cool. Those are merely personality traits. Here, appearance i.e. glamour is the base factor of film industry. For his baseless anger all the heroines may avoid him. He may remain bachelor. Bachelor hero or bachelor heroine is not a paradox. Common people like to see their hero and heroine to lead a happy conjugal life. But the paradox is that the romantic couple of film may avoid each other in reality. Paradoxically, some heroines love rough type hero.

A father must have child. It is not paradox. That child may be born before or after marriage. Marriage is not the bar to give birth to a child. In a conservative society there is strict sequences i.e. marriage, sex and then issue. In such an orthodox culture, free sex or dating is prohibited. Thus love child is illegal for the sake of the chastity of the society. But desertion of wife and children are illegal and more than immoral.

It is a paradox that professional comedians often have unhappy lives. Professional life and personal life are two diagonally opposite things.

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Someone masters on profession. Someone masters on personal. Only a fortunate soul masters on both. A shrewd talented person can earn money thereby prosper in business successfully. But that very shrewd may fail successfully to earn family peace. That is a third factor and can only be achieved by a blessed soul.

A successful politician, generally, is unhappy with family life. Similarly, a religious leader is unhappy with his mad wife. In fact, happiness binds and unhappiness releases a person from home to go to the outer world. Unhappy family life of both paves the way for outward success. Both of them become compelled to leave family. Then the whole world is their family. Thus they are of the people, by the people, and for the people. The paradox is that their earnings are looted by the people. In this way they achieve greatness.

Now, those who want to enjoy happy family life they are well advised not to join politics. Politics means polite or tricks or poly tricks. All cannot follow and track this meaning. Similarly, a happy person should not be ambitious to be a religious God-father. A greedy person wants to please both wife and public simultaneously. He can please none. Those who want to please everybody can please no body. He loses both wife and public. Then he has nowhere to go. He becomes a homeless vagabond.

In the light of professional and personal life human being can broadly be classified into four different categories.

The first category is professionally happy but personally unhappy. They earn money. Spend money for wife. But the paradox is that their wives are most unhappy with their rich husbands for unknown reasons or for the reasons better known to their better half. In fact for happiness money is a must. But, the paradox is that, money alone is not all and cannot guarantee for full happiness accordingly.

The second category is professionally unhappy but personally happy. They are idle. They are satisfied with little income. Their wives have less demand. The wife of such a person loves her husband very dearly, since the obedient husband always stays nearly to serve and satisfies her needs. The person compensates his financial deficiency through physical labour. Even a rich person is envious of his divine happiness. Thus, money cannot purchase divinity.

The third category is both professionally and personally happy. They are made for each other or mad for each other or both simultaneously. Such a rich person is a blessed soul and ideal as well. But the paradox is that ideal is always is unattainable to the common mass.

The fourth category is both professionally and personally unhappy. They are mad. They have to beg to maintain their livelihood. They commit suicide, since they do not know that life has its sweet side too.

Incomplete knowledge gives birth to paradox. Incomplete knowledge is alias and akin to half knowledge. Then such a half genius cannot speak logically due to lack of knowledge. Rationality helps to detect wrong and necessary correction accordingly. A paradox if found instant can be corrected instant. Long gap or isolated event cannot prove easily the paradox faced in the past dawn.

CONCLUSION

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