Find out more about this task:

a. **Objectives:**
   - To expand your vocabulary by reading English jokes
   - To practice your reading, listening and speaking skills

b. **What to do:**
   Go to [http://www.teacherjoe.us/Jokes.html](http://www.teacherjoe.us/Jokes.html) and read and listen to some selected jokes and complete this worksheet

c. **Suggested time:**
   30-45 mins

Your task:

1. Read and listen to the jokes below and answer the questions.
   (Note: While you are reading, you can move your mouse over the red words to see their meanings.)

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<th>Which one do you like most?</th>
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2. Find an **antonym** for each of the following words.

   a. suddenly  _______________  b. confused  _______________  c. silly  _______________
   d. outstanding _______________  e. hesitantly _______________
3. As the site provides you with explanations for some of the words, it’s time to test yourself to see how many you can remember. Complete this crossword puzzle by using the given clues.

Across
1. The sharp part on roses and some other plants
4. A man and a woman, or a husband and a wife
5. With confidence, surely
7. A seat
8. A way of showing numbers or letters
9. Mistake

Down
1. A special way of doing something
2. Not understanding, confused
3. Sad
6. Answer

4. As the saying goes, “Happiness shared is doubled.” Why not try telling one of the jokes to a friend now?
• Don’t know how? Watch this short video on YouTube: “How To Tell a Joke” http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mNazT3GY7zO
• And read more here: http://www.squidoo.com/joke-telling

Post-task self evaluation:
a. Write down a few ideas you have learnt from this task about using jokes for improving English.

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b. What is one problem you encountered when doing this task? Suggest 1-2 things you can do to solve the problem.

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