

Definition of *Pastiche*

Pastiche is ...

a French word for a parody or literary imitation. Although the intent is often humorous (ranging from witty satire to gentle, affectionate ribbing), writers of pastiche sincerely imitate the style, technique, and themes of a writer or work they wish to parody (so there is an element of tribute or homage, as well as parody). The reader should be able to recognize distinctive features of the author's style in the pastiche.