Reviewer’s report

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Review of the manuscript MEED-D-16-00818 entitled
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General comments

The article is interesting and provides relevant information for the wider international community. However, there are areas where the manuscript could be improved.

Detailed comments

1. Introduction: The background and literature review provided context for the research. I think the paper would be richer if you considered some more theoretical approaches to jokes and humor.

2. Methods: In the description of methodology, the Authors do not cite any literature providing the basis for their research. There is no mention of the methodological framework underpinning the study.

3. References. References are extensive and very well selected regarding the subject of the paper, but works concerning research methodology are missing.

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