Analogize

Compare. Draw associations, seek similarities between things that are different. What logical or illogical associations can I make?

Twist the subject out of its true shape or meaning. How can you misshape it? Can you melt it, burn it, make it fatter, wider?

Camouflage, conceal, deceive, encrypt. How can you hide, mask, and shift your subject to another frame of reference?

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Convert. See your subject in a state of change. Think of "cocoon to butterfly" transformations.

How can your subject be imbued with symbolic qualities? What can you do to turn your subject into a symbolic image, a public symbol?

Mythologize

Build a myth around your subject. How can you transform your subject into an ironic object?

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Pretend you're a Martian and you see our world for the first time. Challenge your normal beliefs. Pretend gravity was reversed, fruit had teeth.

Prepositions

What if you see your subject from a new viewpoint? Over, under, around, beside, between, behind.

Ridicule, mimic, mock, caricature. Make fun of your subject. 'roast it', transform it into a visual joke or pun.

Add up the pluses and minus about your subject. Calculate their impact.