

Literary Texts Readers Theatre Script

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1	And now welcome to		fiction that is shorter than a novel but
All	[sound effect] (<i>Eye of the Tiger</i> theme)		longer than a short story.
All	Reading with the Stars! [gesture]	Evens	Pick Novella—He's shorter than a novel,
All	[sound effect] (Stadium whooo)		but longer than a short story!
2	Please welcome your hosts,	16	He should win because he is the one and
All	The Kushnir Krew! [gesture]		only Nicky Novella! [gesture]
4	The remaining contestants are:	All	(<i>Overlap—No-vel-la & In your dreams</i>)
5	Simon Short Story	2	But let's not forget our last contestant,
6	Natasha Novel		Emily Essay!
7	Nicky Novella	8	If you don't mind me saying, I think that I
8	and Emily Essay!		am the best of the best of all literary texts.
All	[sound effect] (<i>Crazy Frog song</i>)	18	You tell 'em, Emily!
3	These four remaining contestants are	All	Yeah!
	competing for	8	I am a short literary composition on a
9	The GLT award!		single subject, usually presenting the
All	[sound effect] (oooooo! Ahhhh!)		personal view of the author.
10	Wait! What's that?	All	Short literary composition! Single subject!
All	It's the Golden Literary Text Award!		Author's personal view! Go, Essay!
11	What's does literary text mean?		[gesture] [sound effect]
12	Literary means literature or good	8	Unlike the other literary texts, I am most
	writing.		confident in myself and in my writing.
13	Text means words in print.		[gesture]
14	Let's meet tonight's judge, Patrick	Odds	2-4-6-8! Who do we appreciate? Essay!
	Prose! [sound effect] (Hoo Hoo Hoo...)	19	Who will win the Golden Literary Text
15	Thank you. Thank you for watching.		Award?
	Let's hear from our first contestant,	4	Who will be the next GLT?
	Simon Short Story.	5	Will it be Short Story—
5	Yes, I think I should win because we	All	[whispered] A short work of fiction,
	short stories are superb short and sweet		usually under 10,000 words.
	works of prose fiction usually under	6	Will it be Novel—
	10,000 words.	All	A long work of fiction, usually more
All	Ahhh-mazing!		complex than short stories.
6	Excusez-moi! But I am Natasha Novel	7	Will it be Novella—
	– the best of the best of all literary texts	All	Shorter than a novel but longer than a short
	because I am a long work of prose		story.
	fiction usually more complex than those	8	Will it be Essay—
	[sniff] despicable short stories.	All	A short literary composition on a single
All	Eww! Dissed by a book!		subject.
1	Thank you, Simon and Natasha. Next	9	Help Patrick Prose make his decision.
	up is Nicky Novella.	15	Cast your vote by calling 1-800-READ-
All	[gesture—golf clap]		STAR.
7	Well, as you know, I am Nicky Novella	1	And find out next week on
	The Great.	All	[sound effect] (<i>Eye of the Tiger</i> theme)
Odds	In your dreams, wannabe!	All	Reading with the Stars! [gesture]
Evens	No-vel-la! No-vel-la!	3	Bye folks, and stay tuned for “24!”
7	I am known all over the world for my	10	This has been a Reading Channel
	fantastic skills of being a work of prose		Production.