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Writers' Workshop

Next Meeting March 20, 2020
at 10:30

at:

The L.I.E. premises
3, rue de Monthoux

Assignment: In the Shoes of a Famous
Person

Leader: Zinat

Not knowing exactly which season we were in as the mild weather had brought out blossom, primroses and crocuses in every green spot, we were all aware that it was more important to avoid viruses than worry about the weather. We met as usual in the Reading Room of the Library.

Those in attendance were and **Rose**, (leader) **Marlene** (secretary) and **Zinat**. **Aisha** the daughter of Zinat attended as a visitor.



Business:

Marlene passed the information and book by Dr Montcrieffe under the name of L Samuels around. Nan Yang left it for our perusal and consideration to arrange a private reading for the group and its friends. There will also be a public reading at Payot by the author in June.

As there was no further business to attend to, we proceeded to reading our optional assignment 'Joy'.

Reading:

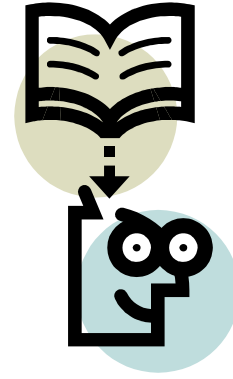
Zinat opened the reading with her piece on joy where small things like the sound of cowbells, or a bubbling brook bring joy to our lives. She showed how joy develops and changes from childhood to adulthood.

Marlene described how *Ode to Joy* Beethoven's composition uplifts, expands and fills her with joy. Further, she mentioned other basic things such as the laughter of an innocent, love or blue skies which would bring joy and finally hope for a better tomorrow.

Rose read her piece *Paradise*. The request 'Would you like to dance?' at a family wedding when she decided not to wear her glasses made her wish come true. Someone did ask her to dance. Towards the end of the evening, she put on her glasses and saw that her dance partner also wore spectacles and a friendship began.

Aisha Osman, from Turkey, smiled when the girl sent him a text message. He was hoping that she would respond. Their relationship began by exchanging pictures of cats. She was from Holland, but they understood each other. He wondered if this connection was meant by God.

Marlene read an extract from *Real Crime* which she is in the process of finishing. While at Starbucks in Rive with her friends, Cynthia decided to break her restrictive curfew and is stabbed. Alpha, on the other hand relishes in the joy he finds in violence and with The Boss insisting on him finishing his commission felt frustrated. He cannot wait to get the opportunity to finish off the two Detectives.



Future Dates & Assignments:

You will be advised of any date changes from those listed below, before the end of the year. We list the leaders and proposed optional assignments for **2020**:

March 20: In the Shoes of a Famous person. - Zinat

April 17: Danger - Rose

May 15: Saying Goodbye - Marlene

June 17: A Memoire - Zinat

July 17: Messages - Rose

Aug 21: Between the Lines - Marlene

Sept 18: Letter to a Deceased person - Zinat

Oct 16: Someone who Inspired me - Rose

Nov 20: Open - Marlene

Dec: No meeting

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