

The meeting was chaired by **Rose** who also acted as secretary during Marlene's absence due to surgery and convalescence. Also present were **Zinat**. Apologies were received from Marlene. Once again the meeting took Frutties. place at Planète Charmilles due to Covid-19 restrictions on the use of the Reading Room at the LIE.



**Business:** Good wishes for a speedy and full recovery have been given to Marlene by **Rose** on behalf of the group.

Please note the date of the next meeting is now back to the third Friday of the month. Opening hours for the Library still remain as follows:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1 to 4 pm for donations, returns and lending. Access is still by the side entrance. The wearing of masks as well as the use of hand sanitiser remains in force.

There being no further business, we proceeded to read our contributions.

## **Readings:**

As the topic was open, the contributions were varied.

Zinat's story, Of Pride and Insult, told of an episode taken from her great-grandfather's book of memoirs. As a village landowner, he was summoned to the presence of the provincial Governor. Being ignored while the Governor was going through some official papers, he lost his temper at the lack of courtesv shown to him and brandished his gun at the Governor to gain his attention, shouting in Urdu and forgetting all the memorised and pre-rehearsed polite English phrases he intended to use. He was immediately disarmed and arrested and spent some time in jail for this brave act.

**Rose's** piece. entitled *After the Lockdown,* related her personal impressions of life after the easing of Covd-19 restrictions. These included two events she experienced at first hand.

A lively discussion followed each submission.



## Future Dates & Assignments

Please note the optional assignments and dates, with leaders:

**September 18**: Letter to a Deceased Person - Zinat **October 16**: Someone Who Inspired Me - Rose **November 20**: Open - Marlene

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