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Writers' Workshop

Next Meeting*** November 17, 2023

at 10:30

at:

Lieu: Frutties

Planet Charmilles, Charmilles.

Assignment: A Book Review

Leader: Rose

After an Indian summer, autumn leaves began to peek from summer's green, announcing winter at our doorstep, we met at Frutties, Planet Charmilles, as the Reading Room in the Library was not available to us. We ordered our tea and settled down in comfort for our meeting. Our meetings will be held at Frutties until further notice.

In attendance was **Rose**, (leader) **Marlene** (secretary) **Françoise**, **Kartik**, and **Zinat**. **Carol** passed on her apologies.



Business:

Rose reminded all of the Autumn Book Sale which will be held from 10th to 12th November 2023 at the Library.

We also discussed the possibility of a combined book reading by our published authors in February 2024. **Rose** will approach the Library for their approval.

NB: Due to the absence of three of our members the September meeting had been transferred to **December 15, 2023**.

As there was no further business to attend to, we proceeded to reading our pieces on 'A Children's Story'.

Reading:

Zinat began our reading by telling us of how she talked to the little people in the lilac bushes at the lake. They were jolly and happy; she read and sang to them, and she never felt lonely. She left for college and university and during the holidays she would go into their homes, saw their treasures. One day they left the lilac bushes and with them gone, love was also gone.

Françoise told the story of the fruit that had no name which Marlow Pockoe brought to the King. Pockoe risked his life to bring this fruit which promised longevity and happiness, but should be eaten only as jam, if not, it would cause a complete transformation. The King did not listen, and he became so young that he remained a child for the rest of his life. Banished, Pockoe roamed the seas and studied botany to learn more about this fruit.

Rose read 'Raiders of the Lost Fish'. Marmaduke the goldfish with the black dorsal fin, disappeared and the children were devastated. They knew the cat didn't eat it, so the family began their search and rescue mission. In the end they found Marmaduke in the pond where he hid after he found his fish family.

Marlene followed with 'Lost and Found'. A box of toys got

misplaced and Sally was devastated. The toys tried to find Sally and go back to her room, but they were in an unknown place and were forced to rescue themselves.

Kartik read an extract from his novel. A school student fell in love with a fellow student, Poyal. He asked the Creator two things, a lightsabre and to sit next to Poyal at the Privilege desk. When they were at the desk, he focused on her ponytail and his head filled with dreams and ideas. The strict teacher set an exam and he had to borrow notes and do physical education, which he was not good at, but he tried. Finally, despite it all Poyal smiled at him.

**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 **2023**:

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Sep 15 **CANCELLED: see
December**

Nov 17 A Book Review – Rose

Dec 15 A Biography - Françoise