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I think I'll just get started since I think the room

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Is is filling up. I hope the parking lot was easy.

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For you. Hi! Everyone so glad to be back. I'm happy to see all your faces today. Welcome to the 5th session of.

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Warm, full blooded life.

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We've made it so farther than many of us have been in this great book.

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Thanks. To Peter and Laura. Just a few notes before we begin today.

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A reminder that we have decided to keep the recordings of sessions.

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For up to 2 months following.

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The final session, so.

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If, like me, you're feeling like you are falling behind. Worry not.

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Okay, there is plenty of time to watch and re-watch all the session recordings.

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Peter's Intro videos and everything else.

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Even if you are, even if you feel like you're falling behind the course in real time, all of that will be open and accessible to you.

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Also a reminder that the virtual houses are great places. To keep the conversation going, as many of you have discovered. Some of you are quite devoted. We love that if you have something to say.

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Come, join us after the session tonight, even if you have never done so before. You are welcome.

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Or if that is too late for you, consider joining us on Saturday mornings. The virtual houses are here for you.

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And with that please welcome Peter Orner.

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Thank you. Lisa.

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How's everybody doing? I know this is the.

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Time in the book when, when, as Lisa says, you know

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You'd be forgiven if you fallen behind, or if you're frustrated, or if you were.

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Having trouble getting through this current material, and you know we only have 2. Sadly after tonight. We only have 2.

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Sessions left. I can't believe it.

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So I'm gonna go.

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To the nighttown. The brothel section.

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But I'm gonna spend much of the 1st hour, and I wanna encourage participation on this.

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There's a fire, but I can't. I can't.

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I can't. Sorry.

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The house will burn without me so

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I'm gonna spend much of tonight on the citizen.

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Chapter, because I think it's for me.

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It's like a crucible moment in the book, even though it's undercut.

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And it's funny. Thank you, Laura. I do see the chat. It doesn't go on my side, but it pops up sometimes. I am. I'm a very low level, but we've actually had 3 calls today. It's been very busy. We had an overturned car and all sorts of mess going on in Norway. But I am here, and I'm this. Is it.

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Yes, this is a oh, yeah, actually.

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So I'm gonna spend much of the.

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Because I think it's so important. I think I think the citizen chapter.

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Moves us into another space. I think it. It sets up much of the rest of the book.

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And if it, if you can read it, and you can follow the.

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The changes in the narration. I think you're gonna be fine for the rest of the book, but I realize that you know that this.

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Is you know that that Joyce really pours it on, and he tries our patience and

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Keep your eyes on Bloom.

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Eyes on bloom, and while I'll get through it.

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I heard there was an interesting discussion about

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Massaging, and and Joyce's

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You know, having.

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Either as a writer was misogynistic, or his character's, and misogynistic, and.

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I? I commented a little bit on the video on Thursday, and I won't spend a lot of time on this. But I did. I did say that you know, one thing about this book is.

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That I feel like. And this writer.

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Is that he's never all one thing. So there may be elements of that. No question about it.

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But also, I know, given this a lot of thought in the last few days.

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Any great book, and and I'd argue, this is a great one.

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Encourages us to question.

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Where we are, question society.

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Etc. And I feel like the question that I would ask.

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Whether or not kind of we judge.

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This writer for being x.

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Is whether or not, and this is my own kind of formulation that I've been thinking about. But.

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Whether or not a book, any book, and especially this one, whether or not it holds up a mirror to society.

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Or or is it depicting.

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Society as it is, and how the writer thinks it should be.

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And you know, and I would pretty strongly, obviously, that this is a Mir, that he is.

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This is a scalding.

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Portrait of.

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Dubliners.

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The book was not loved. Joyce was not loved.

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It wasn't until much later that realized. Oh, it's a tour. He's a tourist attraction, right? But you still read this book. Irish people still read this book are like, wait.

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He's skewering every sacred cow we've got.

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You know, folklore even not even taking like You know the the famine. He can make fun of that, too, which is just unbelievable.

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The citizen chapter go waivers back and forth between like.

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Him him just skewering, and then also, the citizen being, you know, being very powerful and being, you know.

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Being very persuasive, while at the same time so you know, I I think that.

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It's just something to think about. I think, that Joyce created a book that was a scalding and devastating portrait.

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Of his own nation.

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In a particular time.

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And I think that that's sort of how that's the lens through which I look at it.

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And again, it was incredibly, you know, this incredibly male dominated book, and it doesn't let up period, you know, throughout.

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And just to just, you know, that was never not the thing. This is this, is it.

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Although we do get some female characters in the in the in the chapters for tonight.

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That's my point, is the critique laced with comedy.

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Throughout, and so can you? Can you all hang on one second? I need hang on one second. Sorry.

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I'm home again, and there I have to. I have to.

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Okay, he's gone. My son was a bouncing ball outside my.

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Getting back on track. I.

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I gotta turn the chat off. Otherwise I'm gonna go crazy. Not that. I don't think everything is great. I just need to focus.

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But it's a it's a it's a lampoon.

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Right, and I think anytime a lampoon I I've I've said like don't take it too seriously.

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But also, you know.

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Realize that the influence of the book.

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Was as.

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Something that people rejected and turned against.

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His old court case at the front of the book.

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This book was not embraced in its time.

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Begin, in part because of how devastating a societal critique it was, and it certainly, in my view, was a critique of men.

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Whether or not Joyce himself was so so perfect.

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That is a whole nother topic.

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But I think he is skewering. The men in this book now is Bloom himself.

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you know, we're gonna we're gonna talk about bloom tonight, and we're gonna open it up for for lots of of comments. And I really look forward to that. So one thing someone asked. Last.

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Time was books that have come after, and I was thinking about that, and I did say that, like the Goto might be like.

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You know, to to think about books that are

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Big, you know, big and ambitious, and I I don't think that's like the necessarily the go to for

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For for his influence, and I shared.

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with Hunter, a couple of videos of Ed O'brien, who was certainly.

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Very, very influenced by by Joyce, and and revered him, and wrote a biography of him, but I think certainly understood his limitations, and understood his blind spots, and he certainly.

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Absolutely head blind spots.

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But I wanted to recommend one book that came to mind of a writer that really, I think.

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Is, walked in Joyce's footsteps and then veered away. And that's derek's Omaros, which I'm sure a lot of you are familiar with.

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It's a wonderful book where you sort of takes the same premise in a way. And and you know it's it's inverse, and it's incredibly powerful. It's incredibly funny, and it's incredibly, you know, and very much a critique. Not that Derek Walcott was himself perfect.

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As we as we know

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So that's an example. The other thing I wanted to point out before I start on on the citizen chapter is Joyce's own influences, and we know one in particular and one I've been thinking about all week, and that's Hendrik Hendrik Ibsen.

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The great playwright he loved. Ibsen, loved it. Throughout his life he critiqued him.

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But he loved him, and one of the things that Ibsen, of course, is known, for was his

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Absolutely of smugness and self righteousness. And I think that that really comes out.

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Throughout. You throughout Joyce's work is his, his sharing that hatred for

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For self, righteousness.

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Absolutely that was, I mean, that was there was anything that got him going. It was that not that he couldn't be selfish himself, of course, because.

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He was hypocrite like us all.

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So here's how tonight's going to go. I'm going to talk through the Citizen chapter. And I'm gonna I welcome comments and questions about this chapter, because again, I think it is sort of like it acts as like a hinge into the rest of the book, and I think it's an extraordinary. I mean he's so.

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Great at scene work.

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And that's why it can be frustrating, especially in the hospital chapters. If you're so good at scene work, Mr. Joyce, why did you obscure this scene?

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I wanna be there even more with joy, with bloom and drunken at this table and at this, at this, in this lounge in the hospital well, mean is having her baby, I mean, it's grotesque. The whole scene.

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But it's like obfuscated by this elevated language, and it's hard to follow. But once you get into it, and I hope you got into it the hospital chapter it it really does. You really do start to see it.

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So. But anyway, I'm going to go through the Citizen chapter pretty slowly, and then I wanna move into the Gertie chapter. We're back at Sandy Mount right? Now it's Bloom's turn to be on the beach and it's a very famous scene. It was. Why, you know another reason why the book was banned with this particular scene. Another reason why people still are upset by it. I think I mentioned my own students.

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Very much. Reject this chapter.

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You know it may be the joke is one of the kind of fashion, magazine language, etc. But, I haven't. I haven't gotten any page numbers yet, so don't worry, but I'm about to but I wanted to set up the night, and that is that we're going to go through the citizen chapter. Go through Sandy Mount, go to the hospital and I'm gonna try and introduce.

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the brackle. Scene.

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Everybody know where I am.

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Everybody good. All right.

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So. Good. I you know, I I mean, I've again. I've been really looking forward to tonight because I think it really is.

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Pivotal as we get to Joyce like not screwing around anymore. I think he starts to screw around again and again. He's always doing that. But this chapter he's not screwing around, and it is extraordinary in the scene work that he does.

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Well, at the same time introducing.

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This other narrator.

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Who, you might say, is like totally distracting.

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You know, and like. Why would he? Why would he undercut such a powerful scene?

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But the parodies that take place interspersally.

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That's a word, are also quite powerful.

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And I want to start with one of them tonight, cause it's and they're not consistent like you can't like. He's never consistent. But I want to start with

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I had a couple of other things. Did I know?

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I think we're done. He's a skewer of sacred cows. That was my big point. But I wanna start on 3 0 3 0. 1. And I mentioned this scene in the video. But I think it's so important I wanna go back to it. And I wanna spend a little bit of time on it, because you might have been like what is going on.

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Right. So here we have bottom of 300. What else? Good? Only 5. What? And Willie Murray with him? The 2 of them near. What? What each? What do you? What, Jim Mccollins? What dign.

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What about Dign? Says Bob Dorn, who's talking about? You know Bob Dorn's totally wasted. Remember.

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And get to him in a moment. Dead! Says Al. He's no more dead than you are.

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Maybe so, says Joe. They took the liberty this morning, anyhow. Right we did this last time.

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Patty says Al.

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I says, Joe, he paid the dead of nature. God be merciful to him!

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Good Christ says, App.

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Begu it was what you might call flabbergasted. Now could somebody, some brave soul.

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We don't have to read too much of this. But let's get let's get into the rhythms of what's happening here. Sudden shift.

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Right. And there's a lot of these in this chapter.

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In the darkness spirit hands were felt to flutter. Can somebody take that over for me?

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While I go strangle my child.

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I'll try.

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Thank you.

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As long as you don't strangle your child.

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I won't. I won't be more gentle.

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Oh, okay, I'm just kidding.

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From yeah, computer.

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Okay, I get it. Okay.

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In the darkness spirit hands were flutter, and when Freyras, I'm just gonna strangle. My dog had been directed to the proper quarter, a faint but increasing luminosity of ruby light became gradually visible.

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The apparition of the etheric double being particularly like, owing to the discharge of Jive from the crown of the head and face.

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Communication was affected through the pituitary body, and also by means of the orange, fiery, and scarlet rays emanating from the sacral region, and solar plexus.

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Questioned by his name as to his whereabouts in the heaven world.

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He stated that he was now on the path of.

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Palia or return, but was still submitted to trial at the hands of certain bloodthirsty entities on the lower astral levels.

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In reply to a requested question as to his 1st sensations in the Great Divide.

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Beyond. He stated that previously he had seen as an.

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But that those who had passed over had summit possibilities of atomic development opened up to them.

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And okay.

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Alright! Alright! Thank you, Roxy. It's great. I want. I want you to pick up a little bit.

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I feel like I'm at Naropa or something just reading. Yeah.

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Huh!

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Right well that way, totally making fun of that right? This is totally what you know. So without getting into the and you can look up the definitions. None of you know. None of this is an accident.

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Every word is deliberate.

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But but let's just take a tiny step back here. What's going on.

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Roxy, tell us, what? What do you? How do you? How do you or anybody, and step in with.

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Oh, my God! Nice!

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What is suddenly started to happen in this scene. We're in the bar, remember, we're in the bar.

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Barney Kernan's, and we've got just a recap. Here we have. This unknown narrator is never named.

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Suddenly. 1st person. Narrator. We're on page, you know. I mean, generally, people don't suddenly shift and start, you know, point of view shift and to pitch 2, 92. But of course it's Joyce. He would do that right.

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So we're not totally surprised by that. We don't know who this guy is.

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And he. He's standing on the street, and he encounters Joe Hines, and we know Joe Hines. Remember Joe Hines, he's a reporter. He's the one who among other things, he he writes up Paddy Dign's funeral.

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Right. He also apparently owes blue money.

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And bloom reminds him with 3 times.

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Twice, and and he doesn't take the hint.

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And Johins turns out to be, you know, not only from from bloom, but he ends up.

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Being pretty cruel to them in this chapter, as do most characters in this chapter.

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Well, it's hard to integrate what is being said here into a basic reading of the plot line. But.

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Scene of this afternoon.

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The little, the bits, the bits that I know about Buddhism, you know.

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Tantric prayers are.

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Concerned with your state of mind at the moment of death and your reincarnation. And so there is a.

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And there are plenty of new ag kinds of.

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Totally new agent before we get into, like the.

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Of well, of annotations focused on the pituitary gland, which is kind of focused not only on your.

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Thinking, but also your higher consciousness. So the atmic word, I think, has to do with a kind of Hindu.

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The Hindu word of Otman consciousness.

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Great. But before we get into defining the terms which we can all.

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Do what is actually literally. So we're in the scene. You're in the bar.

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We come to see.

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The citizen.

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We are with. We are with an unnamed narrator, and we are with Joe Hines.

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And we have. At least we've got Alfon, and we've got Bob Doran.

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And they're all sort of, you know, kind of kissing up to the citizen.

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But they're in the course of the conversation. They it turns out that one of them has seen Patty. But no, he hasn't, because Patty digns dead, and then Bob's like Patty Dign I love Patty Dign was the greatest guy ever. And then what happens in this.

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Shift which we see many.

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In this chapter. It's just literally just what happens.

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Or what are we supposed to think happens? Pete's got it sand up, and as does Anne, so.

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This is like a seance they are. This is a seance everybody is communicating with.

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They're communicating with Dingham.

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About his.

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W. Tour through the afterlife.

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Yeah. But suddenly Patty Dingham has entered the scene where you know again whether I mean it is set up like that for sure. But it's all. It's a.

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We're in, I mean, just again. Normally, when you're in a scene, you're in a scene.

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Right, you know. And all of a sudden.

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What is Joyce doing? We're we're used to this kind of thing. It's not shocking.

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But in this chapter he sort of one ups himself. And this my argument here is, if.

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If you get what he's doing here.

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You're not gonna have as much of a problem.

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And ground down and throw the book against the wall, as you might have done in the hospital scene, because he's doing here already.

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Right. But yeah, Patty, as Peter says, is, is with us in this scene.

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Right. He's here. He's here, and the wonderful stuff I mean. I you know it's goofy, and it's making fun of.

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Even even like ahead of time, new edgy stuff. It's like, he predicted.

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You know. But then you turn the page. And, Roxy, could you come back and just read.

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The top of page.

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302, and just like. And this is what I I.

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Okay.

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Again. There's so many ways to read this stuff, and one of my notes to myself was to tell you all, at least in my head on my walk just now before class.

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Is that I don't see this as like a book.

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Like, and no offense to book clubs. I think they're.

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Nice things

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I see this like as a as an encouragement to have your own personal.

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Which I don't think book clubs.

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Necessarily foster right, and and with all again, with all respect to book clubs. But I I really want people like just.

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In like in having gay something on their own level with us, together.

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So it's just a little bit of a spin on that idea. Not that all book clubs do that. But anyway.

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Roxy, could you read the just the top of 3? 0, 2.

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Sure, and I it was also occurring to me that they were, and I think it was mentioned at 1 point that they were reading who had very similar ideas. So maybe there were book clubs reading Isis on the old or something. Okay.

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Sure. Sure there were. Yeah.

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It was ascertained that the reference was to Mr. Cornelius Keller, of Monsieur Hj. O'neil's popular funeral establishment, a personal friend of the defunct who had been responsible for the carrying out of interment arrangements.

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Before departing, he requested that it should be told to his dear son Patsy that the other boot which he had been looking for was at present.

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Under the commode in the return room, and that the pair should be sent to be sold only as the heels were still good.

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He stated that this had greatly perturbed his peace of mind in the other region, and earnestly requested that his desire should be made known.

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So you're laughing, or somebody.

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Right, and so other where other we've got, wherever we're all laughing when you reach this. I mean you might. You know he doesn't make it easy on you because you enter the paragraph, and you're like what the hell is going on.

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But then he does what I think.

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He always does so well, especially in this book, is that there's always in, you know. I would say that Faulkner does this too. It's like being patient enough to get around to the point where he grounds, where he grounds it.

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Right and so, and it's hilarious.

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It's 1 of the I think it's 1 of the funnier bits.

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Is that the ghost of Patty.

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Is requesting that that you that you tell his kid, Patsy, where the other boot is hiding under the commode.

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Right, so.

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We got Hamlet's father, you know, saying, I want you to take revenge and take this country back, and and my wife is is with my brother, and that's.

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That's the ghost we're sort of used to. But Patty, and this is always the kind of undercutting.

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Like Patty. Daniel wants his son to know where his boot is, and also the boots are still good. He wants them to get resold.

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Like this, you know, and and I will take. I will wait for it right even through the through the the.

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And it's fine telephone elevator pitch 301 back. It took me forever to figure that out telephone elevator. I don't know what, ha! What the other ones are.

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Offhand, but it's you know the whole thing is.

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Just he's making. He's having fun.

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Now? Is he having fun like tightly.

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I think he always he's he's not in his fund. It's deliberate.

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Usually always. I think.

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I don't think he ever, you know, kinda.

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Doesn't know what he's what he's trying to accomplish.

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And that is, you know, what makes him, I think, kind of an odd, totally odd.

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He's not. He's not flying by the sea of his pants. It's weird like that. He's really calculating. I think.

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And yet he's willing like, if you were imagining him in many writers in the room. You're imagining him writing this scene.

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You know it wasn't like he had on the wall with his big chart that he shared with his friends. You know where he had the colors and the organs and all that nonsense. He didn't have Patty. It was nonsense, because it helped him write it.

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He didn't have Patty Digman's boot.

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Right. So I feel like that is something that came in the writing.

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Right and cause. He's a brilliant writer.

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As well as a very, very smart guy, and I get very tedious. I get very exhausted by how smart he is.

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But then I'm like, Oh, my God! Is he a good fiction, mother?

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You know he he's got this ghost thinking about Patty Thing in his boot. I've spent too much time on this, but page 303.

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And this is another absolutely remarkable stuff here.

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And just a tiny note. Bottom of page 302. The finest man.

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Says Bob, during sniffing. The finest, purest character is Patty, who is basically, you know, kind of a just an average guy, right? And th. This is the narrator thinking, and this is.

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These moments, these tiny moments that you might that you absolutely might miss and you are forgiven. You must be forgiven for missing them right.

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But this is the narrator, the unknown narrator, thinking about Bob Doran, who is drunk and weeping for Patty. He's thinking about Patty Dorham's home life.

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All the characters know about each other's rough.

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Home lives. They're constantly, and they, you know, thinking about Bloom and what's up with him. This narrator seems to know what's going on with blaze and bloom.

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Blames blaze. And, Molly, we'll get to that in a moment, but the tier is bloody near your eye. Talking through his bloody hat.

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Better for him to go home to the little sheep watching bitch he married like, what like? What does this have to do with the book?

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Like this unnamed narrator telling us about Bob Doran, and then he goes into a Mooney, the bailiff's daughter, and how she, you know, running around without clothes one night. I mean the whole thing just like this tiny story that could be huge.

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When we move on. And you know.

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I correct somebody? Tell me if Bob Dorn's wife returns, maybe she will.

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And maybe she, everybody would. A lot of people return in the night. The night scene.

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But just these, in the density of this, is unbelievable in terms of.

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His, his character's knowledge about other people's personal lives.

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I think that's 1 of the remarkable aspects of the book.

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Page 303 at the in the middle. This is one of the most hilarious, if dark moment.

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Also is that, oh, Christ! The Q. And, says Joe, reading one of the letters, listen to this, will you? And these are apparently hang men who are looking for work.

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Can someone read this.

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And did we cover that? I know I mentioned this last time, but sometimes I.

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I love it so much, and I reread it. And I thought, all right, we gotta. We gotta talk about this.

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The letters. We did that, didn't we?

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I'll read it.

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Thank you. Just a little bit of it.

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700, Street, Liverpool.

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To the High Sheriff of Dublin, Dublin.

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Honored sir, I beg to offer my services in the above-mentioned painful case. I hang Joanne and Boodle jail on the 18th of February, 1,900, and I hanged.

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Show us, Joe, says I.

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Private Arthur Chase for foul murder, foul murder of Jesse Tilsit and.

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Pentonville prison, and I was assistant. When Jesus says, I.

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Billington executed the awful murderer, Toad Smith.

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The citizen made a grab at the letter.

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Hold heart, says Joe. I have a special knack of putting the news once in, he can't get out. Hoping to be favored. I remain honored. Sir, my terms is 5 Genesee.

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H rumbled Master Barber.

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Maybe it doesn't. I don't think it needs a comment, but and and you could. I'm sure there's.

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Studies, essays, maybe even books about letters and Ulysses. There have been many, and he's able.

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To. I mean, that's a whole nother voice, right? I mean, that's a whole nother, you know, multiple narrators right in that tiny bit and they're all kinda sitting around listening to the letters. And this happens often happen in newspaper scene, where they where a group of men, especially right.

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Our, our, our reading something, and others are listening. It's kind of an interesting motif of the book. Moving on. And I've got thoughts on almost every page of this chapter. So I'm gonna try and pick my battles. And I was trying, and I just I couldn't narrow them down, but page 3 0, 4.

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they started talking about capital punishment in the middle.

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And this again. This narrator's really got a lot of.

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Kind of narrative energy. And I I note that Fred, just note noted that, and you laughed at it, the the file being spelled Fo, you know. And you can imagine the printer being like that, right? And so you know, this is, it's tough stuff. Remind me, I have a question about Joyce and and his relationship with editors, which I'll cover

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After the break. But

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So they started talking about capital punishment. And of course Bloom comes with the why and the where and all the codology of the business he's always being talked about as coded by is the people who are harsh him, and then, you know, it gets harsh right here. And whereupon all the cardiology of the business and the old dog. This is Gary Owen, the dog.

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Smelling him all the time.

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I'm told those does have a sort of queer odor coming off them for dogs about I don't know what all the turn effect, and so on, and so forth, and so on.

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There's 1 thing that hasn't deterrent effect we covered this last time. So I'm not gonna go into it. But just notice how we get into what ends up happening on page 306. And does anybody have a comment? So they're talking about.

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You know what happens when somebody's hanged and Bloom gets all scientific. We ended on this last time, but then here.

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We start getting into the again, this other, this.

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Again this other shift.

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And this is a very lengthy shift.

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You know, and you'd be like, were somebody like what is happening here. So can anyone comment on what they, how they felt about.

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When the last farewell was affecting in the extreme.

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No, this is different than a seance suddenly having to go to Patty Dignum. What's this shift about?

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And again, we're in the middle of this great scene in the bar, right? But he's had a bunch of bar scenes already. So being Joyce, being Joyce is like, gonna be like, all right, I'm gonna I'm gonna do something different. Here.

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And so can anyone just briefly comment on how they felt about this and.

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What they felt about it. Did anyone.

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Did anyone especially.

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Enjoy it.

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Real quick from the from the chat. I wanted to

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We read an overview of kind of this.

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In in like respecting the stream of consciousness, idea.

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Or just like the overall tenor of the chapter.

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Kate said in.

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In reference to why this scene is so chaotic.

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I feel the constant interruptions and parodies.

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In the scene are really consistent with Irish conversations, because they cannot resist the opportunity for language play, and then laughing at each other's virtuosity. It makes, quote normal conversations very difficult, and speaking from long family experience here, that this is how it feels to me. I thought that was really sweet and also frustrating. And I can. So really, coming from this other family with our own.

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Ways of not communicating but that seems like part of what the citizen does is he steers these conversations in very strange directions.

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But I would just say agreeing with you. I mean, I think it's a great point.

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But he does that in the scene, in conversation.

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Right, this.

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This is this is going.

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We're we're in a whole nother universe. So I I get the how it's like akin to it. But I I think that this.

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Taking that like. I was just thinking like the uncle and dairy girls. Has anyone seen dairy girls.

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There's an uncle who gives the most stories ever, and it's a perfect. He's like, right out of this book, right? But then it kind of that's within the scene.

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You know this is Sinn Fein, says a citizen right now. Sinn Fein, of course, is, you know, an organization that that is Nationalist, and also, you know, he's in favor of using arms against the English, and certainly did. And so there, this there's a lot at stake.

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When Sinn Fein is entering into this narrative.

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And then all of a sudden.

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The friends we love, or by our side, and the foes we hate before us, which apparently I looked it up. It's a.

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That's a that's a buzzword of, you know phrase that was used.

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To kind of say, you know you're on. It's our side, and it's their side.

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And the foes we hate are before us.

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Right. This is a call to arms. This is not messing around.

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So it's not messing around. So what does Joyce end up doing here?

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What happens.

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Shelby and Jonathan both had their hands up.

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I think I saw me. What do you got.

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Explain this to me.

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What are we talking to me now?

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I I have a couple of theories I don't know. It's it's hard to parse, because it's like it's situated as a 1st person.

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Narrator, who I think we know when we're in the 1st person.

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But then it's like interest.

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Stitch with, like a 3rd person, omniscient.

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Almost like turning to the reader.

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And and like winking at us.

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From time to time, like when it's funny.

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This one is not a funny aside, right? The 2 prior to this, I think we're funny. We were laughing.

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But this one is a little bit more extreme. But there's like there's information here.

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Interesting, but right good.

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Yeah, there's information here. We can't that our guy can't know right like that. The 1st person narrate or just can't know this stuff.

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So it is like.

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Oh, this. Totally separate. Yeah.

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Exactly. Yeah. It's it's an interesting. It's a hybrid sort of.

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It breaks every rule of like quote, unquote rule of writing. And to me, therefore, I love it right? It's it's yeah, amazing.

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That's all. Is this some interstitial like.

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Hybrid omniscience and 1st person. Right? It's almost like the 1st person is possessed by some animating spirit, and turns to the crowd and says something.

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Yeah.

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Yeah, I mean, that's, you know, I mean a lot of ways to try and explain it. It's 1st of all he had the guts to do it.

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And and and it happens throughout this chapter. But it isn't consistent.

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So like this one, you could say it's inner like.

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There is examples of interstitiality.

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One. We had this great one with Patty, which is my favorite, because those boots just.

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Do it, but there's there's no boots here until very end until the very end. But what this is just to just to play it out. Is this a public execution? Right.

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Now going back a page, and we talked about this last time, which is why I didn't mention it.

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We've gotten into this because of the hangings of the Invincibles.

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Right now. The Vincent's were considered heroes. They were. They were people who killed English soldiers, I believe, like again somebody could look it up on the chat, the specifics and I've got it.

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In my, I don't want to. I don't want to mess with the momentum, but let's say the Invincibles, who have even have a name. They're called the Invincibles, right.

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This is this, would you could argue, is a sacred.

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Right, you know you don't like you revere the Invincibles.

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You don't make fun of the Invincibles.

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The citizen is not gonna make fun of the Invincibles.

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Right. And he's like.

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You know. Don't! Don't go there.

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Don't start, you know. So, and this is pit from page 3.

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5. Could you just go back there real quick.

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So, of course, the citizen was only waiting for the wink of the word.

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And he starts gassing out of him about the Invincibles and the Old Guard and the men of 67, and who fears to speak of 98, and Joe with him about all the fells that were hang, drawn, and transmitted for the cause right.

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You know these are these are you do not like.

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You know, think of why, why Joyce wasn't beloved, and I in Ireland.

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You know he's not. He is.

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He has a citizen who reverse.

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The the heroes of this movement.

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But he doesn't.

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Or at least some of his characters don't.

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Right. And so what you have is a fairly lengthy on 3.

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6. A fairly lengthy and absurd.

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Call it a parity, whatever you want to call it. I just call it like a weird story in the middle of the book.

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About a hanging, and all these people are. There's a whole list.

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Right. There's a whole list on 307. Each one of those names you can look up has a significance.

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You know there's an acronym which OT. Let's figure that out, but not right now. But my point is going all the way to the end of this long.

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Setup right.

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He's on 309.

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When the girlfriend or the wife of the.

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Man about to be hanged.

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Comes into the scene.

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Right.

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Encouraged. This is on page 39. Encouraged by this use of her Christian name, he says.

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The hero, right, the hero.

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You know. And again, it's not respectful.

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I don't. I don't need this as respectful.

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I read this as a hilarious send-up.

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Everybody's behavior at an execution. But in in this story the hero is playing along.

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Like he's being a hero right?

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It's now that you think of George Orwell's essay, the hanging.

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That guy's not a hero. He's actually getting hanged.

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This guy's not getting hanged. This is a joke.

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Right, so.

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The hero folded her willowy form in a loving embrace, murmuring fondly My own! Encouraged by this use of her Christian name, she kissed passionately all the various, suitable.

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Areas of his person which the decencies of prison guard permitted her to reach.

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She swore to him, as they mingled streams of their tears, that she would cherish his memory, that she would never forget. Her hero boy went to his death with a song on his lips, as if he were but going to a hurly match in Clon, Turk Park.

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etc, etc. Anyway, it goes on, and it goes on right, and I just.

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I sort of reveled in it, and I I think on past readings I may have been like, when is this getting over with.

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Like, what is the point of this.

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And I think it's, you know, my argument here is this is a fairly elaborate.

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Lampooning, of.

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And he and the chapter goes on and does it again and again and again.

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A lampooning of what is sacred.

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In Ireland at this time 2 people.

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And to people who've been oppressed to people who've been, you know, I mean abused to no end.

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Right and so, and Joyce, I think, acknowledges that.

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And has reverence, but also has irreverence.

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It's it's this weird balance. Because the citizen says a lot of things. At 1 point the citizen says something that Bloom says you're exactly right.

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But I'm just trying to say.

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That violence beginning violence, isn't the answer.

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I want peace and love, and since, like I know, fucking way.

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Am I gonna give the English piece and love.

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Right? So you know, there's so much in this chapter that I want to go to an outside source in a moment, just to shed a little bit of light on that. But, Jonathan, what do you have for us?

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Yeah. Speaking about how the chapter makes me feel I've been thinking a lot about. There's this famous guy right now he's explaining a lot of stuff. This guy, you all know, if you've heard of him, he and his theory is that the way humans were really good at is good at making shared collective fictions, not just fiction writing, that's part of it, though.

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But we all believe that money has value.

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And even Osama bin Laden. He was no fan of the Us. But he loved those green pieces of paper with.

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With a Us. Presence on it. He loved it more, more, the better, right.

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And this chapter is set up by, I think.

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Page 55. The famous thing which I'll start again. Mr. Leopold Bloom ate with relish the inner organs of beasts and fowls. He, like thick jiblit soup, nutty gizzards, a stuffed rose heart liver slices fried with cross crumbs.

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Fried hencod's. Most of all he like grilled mud and kidneys, which gave to his palette a fine tang of faintly scented urine.

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We as humans.

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Okay, if he's eating mincemeat pie for breakfast. That's okay, whatever that was.

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But.

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You know he can't kill the animals himself in his place.

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He. He has a cat, he can't eat the cat. We have all these weird fictions right.

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And then he brings in this character called citizen, to make it really easy and.

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This citizen.

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Is able to just in general.

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Talk about show the fallacy of nation. Not just that Ireland, but.

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A nationhood writ large. I think there's 1 line here something like.

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A country is a place where a bunch of people live together something like that.

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And he's able to say things. I think I forgot where in this chapter, he says. But basically it's very easy to say, hey, the British are pressing us. What about us? Are we doing bad things to people.

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And what I give Joyce extra credit for because he didn't see you've all his Ted talk on fictions or anything like that. This is like.

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Early 19 hundreds, and he's able to pay, not just the sacred cows, but he's able to poke holes.

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Through all these. I mean, it's almost like Isaac Newton when he said, Hey, gravity is not just because something's under there.

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It's because there's a force, you know. He is able to see that poke holes and all these blind spots that we all have, and we still have today.

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Right.

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And I and I would just add to everything which is wonderful, Jonathan, I would just add that he's doing it.

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With a character called Bloom.

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And he did that by having a character called citizen, and I thought that was just absolutely.

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Who's not exactly heroic. Right? That's the whole. That's the whole comedy here, even though it becomes.

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Awfully serious in this chapter, even though he's attacked not by a Cyclopsian monster, but a bread tin at the end. But it is, you know he's constantly undercutting, like. I think he's almost afraid that if he makes a point.

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That that he that he has to undercut it, because that's where the comedy is, and he can't.

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Totally cause. I think he doesn't.

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You know he lampoons a citizen, but I think he believes a lot of the things that the citizen says as any as any thinking Irish person would.

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Right, I would. Just this is an outside source. This is an essays named Herbert Butler. Interesting.

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Irish and just a tiny bit of background. And I don't wanna linger on this too long. But he makes an argument here about about Anglo Irish.

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Protestant writing being sort of ascendant at a certain moment in time, and that Catholic writing, that Catholic writers, it took them longer.

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To. You know they were. There was a lot of tension because you had Nationalists. And this is in this chapter as well.

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That we're pushing Gaelic for obvious reasons. Right?

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And so you know, what do you do with that? If you're a writer, especially if you're a Catholic writer and and an Irish and a lover of Ireland.

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What do you do? You know.

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And Joyce loved English.

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So it's just an interesting kind of tension that he had to deal with. But this is what Butler says. He says.

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That some would say it was a question of temperament. The Irish mind is often volatile, fantastic, paradoxical, and a, except when aligned, the sturdy, practical.

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And except when aligned to the sturdy, practical English temperament, it cannot express itself. Whatever others would say that the subjection of Ireland had lasted too long.

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That the best brains had wasted themselves on political resistance. The spirit.

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Of of the others had been broken. Perhaps there's something in this, and then he quotes, or from memory says, check off, wrote somewhere.

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I cannot quote him accurately.

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I love anybody who admits that.

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I cannot quote him accurately.

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That himself, descendant of serfs.

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He had spent his life little squeezing the slave out of his own mind.

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The next sentences goes to Joyce.

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And our James Joyce, who was of Irish Catholic, refers.

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But in the bitterness of defeat.

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And without checkups. Optimism.

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To the slave soul of Ireland.

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So there's a lot to unpack there, and I'll just leave it.

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As something to I I for me. It helped me think about this chapter in a bigger context, in the sense of he was, I think this chapter must have been very difficult to write.

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And I don't think he did it lightly.

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And I think, even though the lampooning is loud and it's funny, and it's unambiguous.

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I also think that he that his sympathies were.

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Somewhat torn.

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I believe, and that's why the citizen gets to say things. But I think he's always a little bit embarrass like the citizen gets, to say the truth, but the truth.

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You know, is the truth. Gonna move this story along right? You got bloom sort of saying, Yeah, yeah, get the truth. But I'm trying to tell you.

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Something else here, citizen, and that is that I am also of this place.

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You're turning on me.

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Right. You're saying I'm not from here.

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You're not. You're not consistent in your nationalism.

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You know, and they say, and this is, I think, what Jonathan's getting to like. What's a nation.

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What is Bloom's response to that.

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Since it's it's the people who live in the same place.

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That shocks people live in the same place.

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I mean again, like the the parallels to the moment in time.

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That we live in now, and that we've been living in for you know.

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More years than we can count long before trump.

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You know this idea of of you know what a nation is, and who is in that nation.

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I mean. But you know now we're living almost in a parity world. I think Joyce would almost.

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You know. Yeah. Anyway, I don't want to get into that but Emily.

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And then I have a few other points on that. What? Like a billion other points on this chapter. But I know I'm not going to get to them.

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You all just wanted to say on behalf of all of us who've made it to this point for the first.st

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Yes, congratulations!

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And thank you, and thank the the group as well. That, I would say, don't rejoice alone versus read it, rejoice alone, you know.

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Oh, I think, rejoice alone. But then you know.

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Like we read, we read alone.

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Yeah, yeah.

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Yeah, anyways, my, my, only yeah, it's really short. And when I read this chapter I thought, Oh, this is the political chapter, and I think it it really pulls. It articulates the politics in a way that.

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I had never understood. I'm just.

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Starting to get.

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An understanding. Maybe.

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Of what that Irish politics is all about, and it's long and it's deep. And I think you know, the whole parity sets it up. I wanna just go back to that place you read because it's it's really this. Oh.

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Number before I make the point on what the parity is with a hanging man, and how the hero ends getting the proposal from the Oxford gent, which you know. That's.

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Right? Right? And she's like, Okay, goodbye.

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That's not the happy ending. So he calls the the guy citizen and citizen isn't.

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It's it's a political character. So that was my like, oh, yeah, perfect.

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Yeah, I totally agree. I would say that I wouldn't isolate this as being the political chapter, though I would say that we have. We have encountered from the very 1st conversation with Haynes.

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You know. The conversation with Dee.

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I mean it's it's it's it's always there. And I don't think that's I don't think Joyce kind of. And again, I don't think like the food chapters. The food chapter wasn't, you know. So that's why I kinda I get a little worried about the the labels of the chapters. But absolutely. This is where he this is where it's like it. It hits a crucible moment. The things that DC. Said.

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Are now here now, being discussed in in real time by a bunch of characters, and bloom is alone.

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You know, to fend for himself. Even Martin, you know, isn't such a good guy in this chapter.

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Yeah, well.

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All set up.

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Right, you know. Kind of, you know. I mean he's he saves them at the end. But anyway.

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On the politics, you know, of course, from day from the 1st paragraph, from the 1st introduction of bloom from everything but I you know that.

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I think the crucible is a good

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Way to say it.

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Thank you. So let's move on. I've got just a few more points. But again I'm I'm happy to to to hear more of your thoughts because

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There's so much here, and I'm gonna get sidetracked. But page 3, 11.

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The the dog.

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The dot. I mean. This is what again, it's like, you know, some people get caught up in politics and they end up spewing about politics.

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And Joyce always has his eye beyond what they're talking about.

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And I think that's almost how it saves him from being didactic.

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You know. I mean he's like Antidep, but he but the dog ends up taking over, you know. Freddie might bite you as a citizen, sneering. No, says I, but he might take my leg for a lamp post. This is like a, you know, like a stupid gag line.

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And then what's on you, Gary? Says he, and then he starts hauling and malling and talking to him in Irish.

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And this is a section of this part.

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Where he gets in. You know very squarely about the the question of of Irish language.

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And and you know.

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This is a very, very.

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Difficult topic. It comes up in the dead.

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When when Gabriel is dancing, one of his partners says to him, We're studying Gaelic, and he's like, I don't want to study Gaelic, you know. I don't want to go to the west of Ireland. Learn Gaelic.

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You know, and and you know why not?

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Right. I saw a film in Gaelic the other night. It was amazing, so you know, but he but Joyce wasn't interested in fighting this particular cause, or at least.

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He doesn't seem to be here, you know. And so that's a whole discussion there about. And you know, and just it's not like Gaelic is not sacred to him.

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And again think about how controversial this would have been.

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For people for whom Gaelic was sacred.

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Right. And so this is why this chapter, really, kinda you know, does dig down into and just kind of, you know.

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Almost sets his flag on like I'm going to be contrarian about everything.

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You know I'm gonna be contrary about all the things you love.

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And all the things you're taught to love.

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You know, and I think that's just what makes him devastatingly bold in this particular moment in the book. And this is why it serves as a crucible, but also like a catapult moving forward.

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So if this, if this chapter worked for you.

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It should kind of propel you to the end of the book.

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That's my hope.

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Bob Doran. Page 3, 13.

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This is a just a wonderful moment. Where

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Bloom is going to see.

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You know, and this is this is all.

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You know we're about to see bloom in, not his best when we come to the beach, although, you know, you might argue.

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It was mutual. We'll talk about that.

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Laura's gonna help me but page 3.

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So Bob Dorn comes lurching around asking Bloom to tell Mrs. He was sorry. So again. It's like grounded in the story.

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Patty has died.

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Bloom is on his way.

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To Patty's house to give condolences.

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Right, and so he was very sorry he wanted Bob and the drunk guy comes lurching around asking Bloom to tell Mrs. He was sorry for trouble. He was very sorry about the funeral, and to tell her that, he said, and everyone who knew him said that there was never. And it's it's like he's not satisfied with telling this joke once he tells it like 16 times.

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The joke of Paddy Dignam being the great Saint.

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Who knew him. It was never a truer, a finer.

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Then the poor little Willie that's dead! The teller.

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Choking with bloody foolery and shaking blue. This is that narrator, and shaking blooms hand doing the tragic to tell her that. Shake hands, brother, you're a rogue, and I'm another. And then he says, Let me, said he, so far presume.

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Upon our acquaintance, which, however slight. So what is this.

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I mean again. I could stop every moment in this chapter.

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Does anybody have any thoughts on what's going on here?

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Led me, he said he. So we have this narrator telling us about this moment, and maybe we've seen this before.

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But it's slightly different here.

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And it's because it's in told in dialogue.

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So you have Bob doing, saying, Hey, bloom.

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And we've seen this before. Right, McCoys said. Please sign my name at the funeral.

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Right. So now, Bob Doran saying, when you go over to Patty's wife, will you tell her that I that he was the greatest guy for me, and Bloom's like, sure. But then.

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Then then he then he does it in this elevated language the same thing. Let me.

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Said he, so far upon our acquaintance, which, however slight it may appear, if judged by the standard of mere time, is founded, as I hope and believe, on a sentiment of mutual steam, so as to request of you this favor.

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But should I have overstepped the limits of reserve? Let the sincerity of my feelings be the excuse of my bulbous no rejoin the other, ie. Bloom.

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I appreciate to the full the motives which appreciate your conduct, which actuate your conduct, and I shall discharge the office for you, and I will go to her and basically tell her.

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Right? I mean, it's just a tiny thing, maybe didn't notice it.

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But I was like, Damn! What is he up to? There.

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You know. He's having fun.

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So.

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I could go on and on, but I've got more. Page 3, 15.

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This is actually Bloom trying to do his job again.

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You know. Nettie comes up and blooms like, Hey, we do this favor for me and that. So you know he's never kind of forgetting he has to do the add thing.

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Cause cause. Joyce doesn't forget that we're still in the middle of a workday, right? So on occasion, Bloom actually does a little work.

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3, 16 is a whole. Other topic undercutting Iris.

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Right, another sacred thing.

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And he just goes after it. And what does Bloom say about sports.

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What's Bloom's favorite sport?

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This is a quiz, bloom, sport.

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Bloom likes, what sport.

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So the tennis.

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Tennis. You like tennis, which is not.

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Oh, I was gonna say, sex.

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Not endearing. Oh, he does like that, or but it's it's a just a hilarious moment where he talks about tennis. But then there's this on the bottom of 3, 15.

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They have. They're talking about the politics of the hoof and mouth stuff, and there's been a meeting right.

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So then the narrator suddenly shifts into, We're in Parliament. They've gone, they've gone.

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To London to talk in Parliament, I believe, and so then he does a whole send up of that.

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Of of the conversation in Parliament, and then, on page 3, 16.

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There's a Mr. Staley wid of Bunkham.

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Bunkham, Indiana.

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Bunkham. Don't hesitate to shoot. Did anyone notice that line? And maybe I'm getting a little too granular? But don't hesitate to shoot.

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Is a line of repetition of something we've heard before. Khaki hamlets don't hesitate.

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To shoot. That's something that Steven said.

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So we're all we're edging again.

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You know, towards Stephen, who we're gonna meet by the end of tonight.

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In the hospital with bloom together. But there's this skewering and lampooning of of all things sacred in Ireland.

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But he still got his eye on the ball about the real enemy.

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I don't think Joyce is ever confused about who the real enemy is to the Irish people. He just. I just don't think he thinks he believes in, you know, in, in, or at least through bloom.

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He's he's. How do you? How do you have an enemy? How do you be politically right.

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Without resorting to violence.

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You know I mean.

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Open question. We have not solved it.

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We need bloom back.

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Other questions and thoughts, because I feel like I could literally go down the rabbit hole of this chapter forever. But there is a discussion on 3 19 about Molly.

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And this becomes actually pretty obvious that this narrator we don't ever know who it is.

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The middle of page 3, 19. Mrs. B. Is that particular star, isn't she? Says.

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My wife. So they've been talking about blades. He's entered this conversation.

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And there.

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Talking about blades. Blades is having organized the concert.

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Mrs. B. Is the bright, particular stars, and she says, Joe, my wife says Bloom, she's singing. Yes.

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I think it will be a success, too. He's an excellent man to organize it. Excellent.

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Can someone read this chapter?

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This this paragraph.

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Ari!

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Thanks.

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Ho-ho! Bog!

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Says I to myself, says I.

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That explains the milk in the coconut.

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In the absence of hair on the animals.

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Places, doing the toodle on the flute.

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Concert tour. Dicey Dan the Dodgers, son off Island Bridge.

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That sold the same horses twice over to the Government.

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To fight the boars.

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Oh, what what I called about the poor and watered rate.

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Mr. Boylan, you what.

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The water rate. Mr. Boiling.

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You what? That's the bucko that'll organize her.

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Take my tip puts me, and you.

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Catterish.

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Okay, so we don't have time or the inclination to unpack everything in this. But there's an upshot of this paragraph. And what might it be?

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What does he seem to know?

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Yes, and.

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Blazes is going after Molly.

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Exactly, exactly.

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Doing the poodle on the flute.

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Right, and he's really to my mind and correct me if I'm wrong. But he other than Bloom, he's the only one that really knows. Seems to. I mean this, this guy's pretty.

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He's not nice. He's a horrible guy, but he's pretty like right, you know, concert tour. And then he says, Dirty Dan the dodgers, son off Island bridge that sold the same horses twice over to the Government to fight the boars.

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No there's actually a characters in in Faulkner's the unvanquish that that sell horses to both sides.

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Of the of the conflict, and constantly they, they horses, escape, and then they sell them to the Confederates, to the Union. But anyway, the the implication here is the joke. Is that.

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You know that plays us up to, you know.

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He's committing adultery, and that he's.

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Somehow comparing it to selling the same horses. Somehow.

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I don't know. Somebody could unpack that even more. But it's a it's a particularly important moment, I think, and another example of.

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What I talked about in the video on Thursday, and that is that.

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So much of where we are in space and time.

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Right now until the very end.

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Is bloom trying to

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Spend time away from home.

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And and and he's being he's been reminded of it once again. Everyone talks about boiling.

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He sees boilin. People talk about.

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It's painful. And in this, especially given the time of day that we are in now, because presumably over his house on eclectic right now.

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And does he know for a fact.

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You know of what is happening there.

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And we could talk about this. Laura and I were talking about it yesterday. You know he does seem to to at least imagine it in the next scene. What happened? But you know.

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I don't think anyone knows for sure that scene is never dramatized.

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Right. So we can't say I I'm not gonna say with any certainty until we have that moment, and we'll see if someone.

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Confesses to this.

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And a lot later.

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I I was also kind of interpreting that.

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Bloom was Molly's manager, like he was the one who was kind of organizing the shows.

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And now Blazes is, you know, kind of taking over, and his his whole reaction is so. It's like that. Gracious.

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Oh, yeah, I I think it'll be a success. You know. He's an excellent man, like he's trying to be.

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You know. Oh, yeah, I'm cool with it. I'm cool that he's off doing this thing. And you know, even though that used to be my job and.

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You know it's.

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Yeah, yeah, exactly.

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Totally. Totally. It's maybe.

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Anyway. That's that's how that's how you struck me throughout. This is that he's been, you know.

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He's been usurped, and that's the last line of the 1st chapter.

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No.

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You know there's a usurping going on.

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Is referring to Buck, but the usurper is.

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Blazes blazes. Is the great usurper of this now? Yes.

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Absolutely, and it's on his mind, Susan.

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Yeah, we've we've talked so much about how bloom is being perceived by others as the other in so many ways.

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We talked on Saturday about

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You know that he's not a drinker, and.

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Maybe this separates him from the male culture of the pub and the bar. That's so much a part of the scenes of this book, but Molly is also perceived as other.

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You know, coming from where she does, having the physical features she does. She's very much commented upon. The men are very aware of her seductive qualities.

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And so I feel like there's a lot of awareness by everyone that.

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You know she's considered gamy, or whatever term they use. Right? So.

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It's like there seems to be an assumption throughout that he's being that bloom is being.

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Whether it be by Blazein, or or whoever it be. You know that.

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She's a wild creature somehow.

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Right right? And again it comes up. Even in what quote unquote this political chap.

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Right. I mean even here.

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You know. I I just think that the success or failure of this story depends upon us caring about that.

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Right? We can. We can read about a people argument about Irish politics any day. Right?

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So we have a guy who is carrying that weight into this scene.

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You know, and I think this is, and it it hurts every time they mention it.

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That said.

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Bloom hangs in there in this scene, and what does he do.

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He fights back. And this is this is again what makes this an unusual chapter and a pivotal chapter. He fights back, and there's so much that we could say, there's citizen talks about being with Kevin Egan in Paris who is with Kevin in Paris, Steven. All kinds of you know, ways in which that.

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You know in in. It's 1 of the great joys of this is who you see these connections right? We can't make all of them on this call, obviously. But so we gotta keep moving, and and where we move to, I think very important thing is is the scene where they start to argue and get into this even more about and you know there's a detour into into

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Mr. Breen, and there's so many delightful things that I wanted to talk about here. But I want to move us into the real, the unto you know what arguably is the crux of this page 3, 25.

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So Jj. Puts in a, we got Jj. Malloy, the lawyer, the broken down lawyer. So Jj. Puts in a word, doing the top about one story was good till you heard another, and blinking facts, and the Nelson policy. Putting your blind out of the telescope and drawing up a bill of attain his lawyers. Kind of babbling about this stuff.

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But but it gets political here. And this is this is our narrator sort of.

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Almost summarizing what they're all talking about.

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To impeach a nation and then bloom, trying to back him up.

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Moderation and botheration.

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Right bloom is always the moderate.

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And he'll do this in the hospital scene. He's constantly trying to tamp down.

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You know the rhetoric.

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And you know he's not always successful, but that is his. His almost his obsession. On page 3, 26.

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He says some people says Bloom can see the moat in others eyes, but they can't see the beam in their own.

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Who's he quoting there, anybody know?

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And.

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Jesus.

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Jesus.

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Right.

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This is starting to get under the citizens.

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Right? Because.

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Jesus comes back there at the very end of the chapter. But hang on, Jonathan, I'm gonna call on David real quick. David.

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The quick thing. I I it seems like in this model. There's always an interplay between people's imaginary world and the actual world. And I think this comes up here a lot with the elevated language.

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Where there's there's this, what we like to be.

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Parity. And then there's the reality.

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And then the next chapter, I think, is 3 of the 2 who has this Camillion fantastical.

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romanticized idea of what life was like.

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And then who is, if anything, you know, too, Nancy. Anyway, it's just this is something which I thought from the very beginning.

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And with the elevated like Chapter 3 and I just think it's very consistent here.

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Yeah, absolutely. But but I again, I also think he's playing with it. I mean, I think he's like serious and also like.

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Not like if I was to take all this seriously.

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You know the elevated language.

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That it was somehow like important for me to sort of get in terms of like.

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You know, understanding the book. I think that's a bit of a rabbit hole, you know.

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In my view, you know, and I think that's what's part of the fun of it. Oh, why, he's but you know he's but he's also getting this stuff in there.

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Because he is interested in these ideas.

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And so I think it's always that tension I wanted to talk on page 328 American history comes in.

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Especially thinking about American. 19, 0, 4.

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This is, and he's really wonderful at integrating the newspaper. And you know, we've seen this before where people look over their shoulders, the bartender hanging over the bloody paper with Alf looking for a spicy bits. You see where I am on 3 28.

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Instead of attending to the general public. This the guy wants the Terry to do his job.

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Right picture of a budding match trying to crack their bloody skulls. This is their their one chap going for the other with his head down like a bullet. A gate.

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And I'm sure you all paused at this, and noticed this moment here and another one. Black bees burned in Omaha.

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A lot of dead wood dicks and slouch, and they're firing in a sambo stung up, strung up on a tree with his tongue out, and a bonfire under him.

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What our narrator says. Gob.

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They ought to drown him in the sea after an electrocute, and crucify him to make sure their job.

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And again, this is one of these moments where.

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You're kind of like. Whoa!

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You know what has.

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What is being noted here.

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And I think it's no accident.

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It's this is not put in lightly.

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You know this is all part of this discussion.

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About the brutality that the powerful does do to the lack of powerful.

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The people who don't have power.

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And it's it's, you know, but we don't. We can't expect our narrator.

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To be. It's hard to even understand what he's trying to say. Like you want him to double down on that. What are you saying.

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You know it's a very disturbing moment.

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The one I wanted to point out.

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Any any thoughts, Jonathan? Real quick. I think we'll take a little break.

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Yeah, I'll I'll be real punchy with this one.

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But I've been thinking a lot about you know, I call it Joyce's use of grotesqueries, you know, Green C. And.

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The gizzards, and this one's a little extreme. But really, what I've been thinking about is how discussed.

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It's such an overriding emotion.

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It ends up in this context. I don't know if you did on purpose, but.

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This, maybe this, this one's a little extreme.

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But I'm thinking of the the 2 the hangmen.

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That we're applying for a job and being very polite, talking about how good they were.

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It's grotesque kind of.

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It's an overriding emotion, and then it opens you up.

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For thinking of things, of like.

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You know, just you're so disgusted. And then you think, wait, what about citizenship? This one happens to be so extreme. That's over the top. It kind of takes it to 11.

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But in general I think

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Joyce uses the group. Yeah.

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But it takes it to 11 again. It takes it to 11, because it's 1,904. And this was in the newspaper that day.

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Like this is real.

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Yeah. I mean, he's like he's like, I'm not gonna pretend.

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A. That the only place in the world with problems.

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And it opens up your mind in a way it allows you.

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Is Ireland. And so what does he do? He's just like there, you know. It's like a way of I mean, he has these ways of bringing in the rest of the world.

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It's not so provincial that we don't necessarily know what's going on in America. It's been a terrible accident which Bloom also reads about. So I just think it's an incredibly deft and disturbing, but it's no accident, that is, it appears in this particular chapter.

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And so I just wanted to note that because if you go by without talking about it doesn't, it's not doing justice, because I think it informs the way that this chapter ends up, which is bloom ineffectually.

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Right. We'll take a break in a moment. Actually, Bloom stands up.

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And says, at the bottom of page.

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Shove us over drinks as I, which is which.

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That's mine, says Joe, is the devil said to the dead policeman.

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And I belong to a race, too, says Bloom, that is hated and persecuted also. Now, this very moment, this very instant.

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God, I mean you burnt his fingers with the butt of his old cigar, and this is all of a sudden bloom like breaks out on this, this almost bursting a very unbloom.

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Right. But, as we all know as fiction writers, if our characters are too consistent, they're not real.

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Rob says he, plundered, insulted, persecuted, taking what belongs to us by right. At this very moment, says he, putting up his fists by auction morocco like slaves or caddles. Are you talking about the New Jerusalem.

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Says the citizen, I'm to any, and notice what he doesn't say here isn't say I'm you know he does stand up for being Jewish, but he says this much more broad.

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Which would include what's happening in American South.

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I'm talking about injustice, says Bloom.

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And they're like, right, says John Way. Stand up with a force like you, and there's like, and then it's just like completely undermine. And then there's this is a pretty famous moment in the book, right.

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But it's no use, says he.

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Force, hatred, history, all that.

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That's not the life for men and women. Hatred.

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And everybody knows it's the very opposite of that. That is really life.

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And they're like, What are you? Complete idiot!

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What says Al love, says Bloom, I mean the opposite of hatred.

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And then I must go now, he tells us, like I've said my piece I must go to. I must go see John much just around the corner a moment. I've got to see.

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Martin's there. If he comes back to say, I'll be back in a second. Just a moment, and then what happens is, there's a fairly long conversation about what you know about what a horrible Jew is.

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Right

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I feel like I've gone on this.

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A little bit off the rails.

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But any thoughts or comments on.

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The end of this chapter before we break.

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About and I know I.

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You know, gone on a little long. But I I feel like this needs to be.

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Discussed a little bit more.

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In terms of what happens in the end of this chat before we move on. And I want to also mention.

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Another moment he mentions.

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He mentions the American South top of page 335, he mentions the Belgian Congo.

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And Roger Casement.

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Who's an Irishman? One covered the atrocities going on in Belgium under the under King Leopold.

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So there's a you know. There's a very conscious.

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Interjection of of absolute politics and history. Right here, within the scene, within the moment.

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And what does he end up doing? He ends up completely, undercutting it.

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By making kind of a fool of.

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Right, but.

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It's hard not to love them for what he attempts to do.

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Last thoughts before you take a break.

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Alright! Let's take a break. I need a break.

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Alright. I'll see you guys in a moment we're gonna play. I thought maybe we play the the Ed.

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I know we had it queued up, but I.

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I don't know if if

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It's possible to show that.

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Or maybe we could show it later.

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Whatever you think.

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I'm trying. Sorry. Bear with me.

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And everyone go get some coffee.

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Or something.

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We're opening it up open season after this.

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I think writers constantly write about the same things and themes, so do painters.

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Paul Clay's paintings are recognisable all over the world, although they seem different, they spring from the same subconscious, so I think it was necessary to write it because I wrote it.

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But you do revisit in.

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Even if we can't hear. I just went completely dissing this guy.

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So if you could just watch your face, it's enough.

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The word girls, and I think right.

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I think writers constantly.

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Alright! Zoom's not being my friend. I think you can hear it now.

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And we got it.

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Write about the same things and themes, so do painters.

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Paul Clay's paintings are recognisable all over the world, although.

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They seem different. They spring from the same subconscious.

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So I think.

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It was necessary to write it because I wrote it.

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Hmm! But you you do revisit in very, very small detail that same area you had covered, or was it necessary? I think I revisit it, if I may say so differently.

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It's not the story we tell.

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As writers, but the point of view from which we tell it.

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When I wrote my 1st book, The Country Girls.

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15 years ago. It was a book about girl.

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And goes observing the adult world around the skittish and sort of.

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Pregnant way. Mother Island has the word mother in it rather than the word girls, and I think it's looking.

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I hope it is at exactly the same landscape.

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Which I'm very proud to do, but looking at it from a.

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Mature and.

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Reflective point of view.

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But if I didn't come from Ireland like you read this book.

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I think the picture I have would be an extremely superstitious, extremely bigot.

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Extremely repressed.

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Society, almost without laughter, almost without kindness.

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I'm sorry if I got the wrong impression, but that was the impression I got. Well, I think you did. I mean I'm amazed that you say that one of the things that.

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English people, if I may say so in Americans, remark very much about Mother Island is how funny it is, and how funny the people. Of course they're superstition and bigotry. I mean, we all know that. And to pretend there isn't is another.

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Fake curtain. But if you think it doesn't have humor.

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I think that's really your problem, not mine.

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I'll give you one quote from that point or 11 years you visited a chapel, you crossed your legs, and were asked by an incensed lady to please, uncrust them at once.

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Do you know, she said, that Our Lady.

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Whenever a woman does such an indecent thing.

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Yeah, I think that's very funny. I mean, the idea of an adult woman.

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Passing on this piece of religious folk.

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And of a child believing it, I find it very funny. It also happened to have.

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Are you arguing the case.

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About a rejection of Ireland, a complete rejection of Ireland. No, I think to be very fair.

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To myself, which I'm.

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Determined to be. It says in the book, Irish, in truth.

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I would not want to be anything else.

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It means being at odds with all other nationalities, and having a quite different philosophy.

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About pleasure, about punishment.

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About life and about death.

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At least it does not leave us alone.

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Well, if that statement is a rejection of Ireland, then I think.

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There's something wrong. I don't think it's a rejection of Ireland. It's a very.

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Searing, look.

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At my own country, and myself.

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But as we've been a rejection of Ireland, it just isn't so.

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5 min.

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I'll try and drop this.

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Hand.

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It's a.

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Silent.

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The.

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Thy water break naughty breezes! You're a chain.

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Come on!

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Tail!

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Where.

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Spot.

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We'll have.

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It's a sweet.

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You.

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Sleepy.

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Steel doth the pure alighted.

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A.

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When we're.

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It's a.

01:55:56.000 --> 01:56:01.000
Silent.

01:56:01.000 --> 01:56:03.000
Be the.

01:56:03.000 --> 01:56:19.000
Thy.

01:56:19.000 --> 01:56:31.000
On the wall.

01:56:31.000 --> 01:56:36.000
Tail!

01:56:36.000 --> 01:56:52.000
When.

01:56:52.000 --> 01:56:55.000
Spot.

01:56:55.000 --> 01:57:09.000
We'll have.

01:57:09.000 --> 01:57:15.000
You.

01:57:15.000 --> 01:57:21.000
Standing on.

01:57:21.000 --> 01:57:32.000
Wave.

01:57:32.000 --> 01:57:37.000
Everybody.

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I want to finish out this chapter, not letting go of the citizen quite yet.

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Forgive me, but I do think that it's important for us to talk on 3, 3, 1, and I wonder if somebody would read this crucial.

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Point about

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Nations just again, you know, like this one thing to talk about, but it's the other to be in the text, and.

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That's where I like to be. Inside the text.

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Laura, would you read this for me?

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Or if you, if you're up.

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Paging, again. Sorry.

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3, 31 or anybody.

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Yeah.

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From the top.

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Where

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Do you know what a nation do you know what a nation means?

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Oh, no. Yeah. Further up.

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Okay.

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Talking and talking, because again, like our narrator.

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Okay.

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Just just sorry to, but I mean the.

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Oh, there it is!

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The interesting thing about this chapter is if you're gonna have a chapter where you're gonna like.

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Preach politics, which is partly what's going on here.

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Why on earth would you have this particular narrator?

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But it's this undercutting thing. He's never gonna like.

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You know. And so I just think it's a fascinating choice that we have a narrator who is really not interested in a damn thing.

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That Bloom is saying. He's the one that's conveying this story.

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And like, how do we supposed to take that? It's just a fascinating choice. But go ahead, Laura. Thanks.

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Bloom was talking and talking with John Wise.

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And it quite ex, and he quite excited with his.

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Done like a mud colored mug on him, and his old plum eyes rolling about.

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Persecution, says he.

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All the history of the world is full of it.

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Perpetrating national hatred among nations.

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But do you know what a nation means? It says John was yes, blooming.

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What is it? Says John. Wise.

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Foundation, says, Bloomatious is the same people living in the same place.

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My God, then, says Ned, laughing, if that's so, I'm a nation where I'm living in the same place for the bad.

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5 years.

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So, of course everyone had a laugh at Bloom, and says he, trying to muck out of it.

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We're also living in different places. That covers my case, says Joe.

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What is your nation? If I may ask, says the citizen.

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Ireland, says Bloom, I was born here. Ireland.

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This citizen says nothing, only cleared the spit out of his gullet, and gob. Heat a red bank oyster out of him right in the corner.

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After you with the push, Joe, he says.

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Or, says he, taking out his handkerchief to swap himself dry.

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Here you are, citizens, as Joe, take that in your right hand, and repeat after me the following words.

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Okay. Great. Thank you. Laura.

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And if anybody has any thoughts about that, or if you do, I mean we can move on. I just wanted to hear it, that's all.

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Because what ends up happening later.

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Is. They talk amongst themselves, as as often happens in this book is when Bloom leaves the scene. People talk about them, and that's what happens on 3 7. But I'll pause there in case anybody wants to say anything about.

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And this this idea of the nation. It's just, you know. I mean, maybe it's simplistic, you know. Maybe it's too much to ask.

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No, I mean, I thought it was really like I I love this section, and also was really interested in how much bloom.

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Ideas. Are

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Just completely talked over throughout.

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The whole conversation.

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Excellent. Everything says, basically right?

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If the inseparable Liberal at the table, that all you know, all of the Nationalists are like.

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Like not like it's not even.

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Conceptualized or understandable to them.

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But then, like with the hanging, you know, the guys like, yeah, hang that guy, and we never even get the reason for the hanging, you know.

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We all know why they happened, but like.

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It's it's just this kind of blindness that's.

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It's it's so well captured, and it's so familiar.

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And it's like the more.

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Leader.

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Sincere. He is the worst off it gets. I don't know. It's really interesting.

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Yeah, I want to get to Fred in one moment. But I do want to just skip up to page 337, just because.

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What ends up happening is that

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Martin does arrive.

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Martin gets to the bar.

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And he's got a bunch of people in tow, including.

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People we know Powers and Crofter, who is a character in in Dubliners.

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Who is a Protestant

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And they end up talking, of course, about what Jew is. So

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Is that so? Can somebody read from? Is that a fact.

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Says John, was what I was telling the citizen about Bloom and the Sinn Fein.

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Someone read that.

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Anybody.

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I can read it.

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I had I already read.

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Okay, great. Then.

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Sure. Isn't that a fact? Does John wise.

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What I was telling the citizen about Bloom and the Sinn Fein.

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That so? Says Martin, or so they allege.

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Who made these allegations? I says, Joe, I'm the alligator.

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And, after all, says John Wise, why can't you love his country just like the next fellow.

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Why not? Says Jj.

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When he's quite sure which country it is. Is he a Jew, or a Gentile, or a holy Roman, or a swaddler? Or what the hell is in, says Ned, or who is he.

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No offense. Crofton.

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We don't want them, says Croft, or the Orangemen, or prestige.

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Right, even if we don't, we don't put them with us.

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Since the Protestant. Go ahead.

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Who's Junius? Says Jj.

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He's a perverted Jew, says Mart.

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From place in Hungary, and it was, and it was. He drew up all the plans. According to the Hungarian system. We know that in the castle.

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Isn't he a cousin of Bloom, the dentist, Jack Power? Not at all, says Martin.

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Yeah.

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He's made that joke already, but of course he's doing it again. Yup.

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Only namesakes. His name was Vera.

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The father's name that poisoned himself.

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Changed it by deedpole. The father did.

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That's the new Messiah for Ireland, says the citizen.

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Island of saints and sages.

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Well, they're still waiting for their Redeemer, says Martin.

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For that matter. So we're waiting.

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Great. And and again Martin was the decent guy in the carriage at the funeral.

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And this is, you know, this is this is this is the kind of treatment that it gets behind us back.

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It's rough stuff. And it's it sort of speaks for itself. But I again, I just wanted to point to it before we move into.

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Because we really have to get to Sandy. But, Fred, you've been waiting a long time, so tell us.

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I do think that this book I asked the question about misogyny yesterday or last week.

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And this this

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Whole book strikes me as an interrogation of toxic masculinity.

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And then exchange.

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That we just went through is a typical.

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Almost adolescent exchange, that every man I know is certainly myself and high school.

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Where people ask questions that they don't want answered to, so they can put them down. Put the other person down.

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And and I think that is one of the most interesting things about this whole book is that it? It is of extremely male centric.

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Perspective, but not of probably one.

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Not a perspective that is proud of.

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Of the accomplishments and the heroes the fake heroics of masculinity, but tears them apart and put them under a microscope.

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Well, well put Fred, thank you.

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And you know and and you can't. There can't be. I mean the the in a way, this chapter so obvious. Who's who's good and who's bad, you know, and so in some ways, maybe it isn't the strongest. But I would say personally.

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That for me. The funeral chapter and this chapter, and the later chapter, which I'll point out, are kind of the ones that I often go to, not because

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Of what they're saying, necessarily. But I'm I'm I'm still moved by Bloom's attempts. Here I am.

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But more just just the scene work and the and the you know, and and the way that this is it plays out cinematically, and that crazy bull thing he does by pulling back, I mean, even Martin's arrival is a send up of like cause. He's coming from the castle. He works at the castle. So there's this whole, you know, and there's this whole ridiculous dialogue he does there again. So I think the sense of fun and play that he constantly has.

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Has has a way of undercutting, but also kind of making weirdly his political points more powerful.

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Right, because he's not shoving down our throats, cause he's cause he's too busy having phones other stuff.

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But bloom, it's like Bloom is telling Joyce. Hey? Wait a second. I guess I'm gonna say.

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I gotta talk, and on occasion Joyce lets him talk.

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And and and I'm just gonna end this chapter on 3, 2. Where, you know, he's he's going out, and Martin and the if he's pushing him to the Jarvi, and they're trying to get out of there. And he's, you know, he he's still. He's still talking. Bloom, who's normally so on confrontational, is.

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Still added.

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And he says Mendelssohn was a Jew, and Karl Marx 3, 42.

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And Mercad. I'm not sure who the next, and Spinoza.

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And the Savior was a Jew.

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And his father was a Jew. Your guy? No, father, says Martin, that'll do. Now drive ahead. Who's God? Says? Well, his uncle was a Jew even within like. It's it's you know. He's always funny.

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You know, while at the same time again, this is this is incredibly

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It's like you're torn, you know, but I think my arguments, if you read it too seriously.

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You know it. It.

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I don't find he's not a Crusader here.

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For Jews or anybody else.

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He wants us to look at our hypocritical these people are. That's that's my view.

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You know, and the hero.

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Is hapless.

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But the hero does one wonderful thing.

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He exposes everybody. It seems like every time a scene.

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Their behavior, because they never care what they say in front of him, and they certainly don't care. This is what they say behind his back.

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So bloom has this weird way.

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Of bringing out the worst of people, but it didn't take much to bring it out. You know these people are not great.

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It's rough, it's not, you know. I don't know.

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But but the book's not over yet. It's not over. If it ended here.

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It would, you know. And of course, now we're just we're going into a completely different register.

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But just just to finish it out. You know the the.

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Citizen throws a bread tin atom, and that's the you know. That's the great.

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That's the that's the violence in the book. So it's even. It's quaint and wonderful, right.

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Nobody gets hurt. Nobody gets hurt.

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Can we move to Sandymount Strand.

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And Shelby, if you want to make that comment, whatever comment you had, I'm happy to hear it in a moment. But why don't we move. Let's let's move into because we're about middle of the book, and we're not that place.

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But that's how it goes. Here.

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The summer evening had begun to fold the world in its mysterious.

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Right. We're calming down.

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We're gonna have a nice walk on the beach.

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Maybe he'll be like Stephen. Maybe he'll think.

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Deep thoughts on the beach.

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And bloom will.

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Come to terms with.

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What is happening in his home.

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And maybe everything will be okay.

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Right, Laura. So.

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And Florida to to help me with chapter and give her thoughts because she has some really interesting great ones. And

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And I'm I welcome. Everybody's because it's that time of night.

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But I can't believe it's already 8, 40.

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How does this happen?

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You left that chapter.

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I do, I do, and I I but I I mean I do think it's important.

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I think it's an entry point, like I said, into the rest of the book. But maybe Joyce is like you think that? -

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I'm gonna here's a change up. Do something totally. So what do we have here? And the sandy chapter.

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But I mean I will adore this chapter in part because of the the shift in in perspective.

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And

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The the contrast.

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And some of the similarities.

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And yes, totally readable.

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Also just this picture of these 3 girls, and in some ways.

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They're quite different. And in some ways.

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They have a lot of stereotypical.

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Things about them. Sissy was a past mistress in the art of smoothing over life's tiny troubles.

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And Edie, who's.

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I think.

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Primary description is of her appearance not being that appealing to.

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Bloom, or actually.

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But one thing that oh, see also has mother wit.

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Which I I found

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I was like, Hi, okay, I don't know what that is, but also I love the combination of those 2 words.

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That's the top of 3 48.

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And then one thing that I love about Joyce is, you know, I think.

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As a younger reader, not.

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Reading a lot of.

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Mail, books.

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You know, mostly mail books, men.

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If the narrators and the writers.

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It was hard to find oneself on the page in some ways, and.

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This is just full of.

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Menstruation. Oh, there's so much menstruation and awareness of it in.

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Ways, that.

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Now I have to close the chat

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In ways that.

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You know, Bloom is really paying attention.

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And then also, so is Joyce, like.

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Right.

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Joyce gets Girty with these widow Welch's female pills.

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The iron jails have have been doing better.

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And then

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The at the top of.

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3, 49, like Gertie's big decision, I love Joyce on makeup.

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Like he, you know.

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The Princess Novelte, who had 1st advised her to try Ibra Lion.

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Which gave a haunting expression to the eyes so becoming of leaders of fashion, and so she had never regretted it. I mean.

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I I wish that everybody.

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Used eyebrow pencils. They're amazing.

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And Gertie's crowning glory was her wealth of wonderful hair.

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Like just and then there's these parts where

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You know it. It is a little rough like, but very true. Edie Borman herself. She was a.

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That she was very petite, but she would never.

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Have a foot like a gal, a 5 which.

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And a size 5. I know about this weird pride, and having tiny feet.

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And never would ask ogle with patent, and just one smart buckle at her high arched and step, and then I was like, oh, I don't have a high arch like I started comparing myself to Gerties, my body to Gertie's body. Right? And and this this idea of female beauty.

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And it is like so ridiculous.

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It's ridiculous that my brain a hundred 24 well, not from when it was written, but still that my brain is still making these comparisons, but also that he captured. This is kind of magic, or magical, and.

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Yeah. And then, like, we talked a little bit about.

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The.

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This superstition and this end up superstition at the top of 3 51. There's this gorgeous

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Passage. She was wearing the blue for lucking against hope, her own color of the lucky color, too, for the bride to have that bit of blue somewhere on her, because the green she wore that day of the week brought grief.

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Because her father brought him into the study for that intermediate exhibition, because she thought perhaps he might be out, because when she was dressing that morning she nearly slipped up the old pair on her inside out.

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And that was for luck and lovers meetings. If you put those things on inside out. So long as it wasn't a Friday.

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And when I hit this a lot.

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Well, I guess it wasn't a Friday.

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I just lost it. It was like.

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Oh, my God, this is every like this is, yeah. All I mean, it's it's.

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Like vendor uses of like young or young infatuation, you know. It's it's it's so nicely done.

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Katherine.

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And I just think, I just I think the placement of this chapter is so fascinating, what we just went through. And now like. And now we're just deep. 1st of all we got we got brand new characters, even though Girty has been.

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Mentioned

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You know where. And you know where it's that move that's that widening out like, what's what else is happening around Dublin today? Well.

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Friends are at the at the beach with the, with the the little twins.

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And you know, they're doing their thing.

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But of course we end up realizing that there's another presence on the beach right.

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After his and we we know where Bloom's been.

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We know he's been in the bar. We also know that he's been to Patty's house, which would a fascinating scene, not dramatized.

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It's interesting cause that like to watch him comfort

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And this is Digna might have been an interesting.

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You know, and so he tries doing the hospital scene. He tries to comfort.

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Mean, and perfid doesn't get to her either.

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So, anyway. But what does he do? He has this, you know, connection, arguable connection to Gertie.

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And what what do we? How do we feel about this? Let's hear from Katherine.

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Yeah, I I love this chapter one thing because it's so easy to read compared to to other things. But what I love here is how observant Joyce is okay and bloom. So yes, we're talking about menstruation, but he totally gets these girls.

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I think, in a way that is actually very sympathetic in a certain way. I mean, it's.

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It's Judy, but he's also. This is their reality.

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Okay. So he's really showing the things they think about and care about. And then the whole erotic.

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Non conversation between Gertie and Bloom.

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Is just so wonderful.

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That they're both.

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You know, without exchanging a word.

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They are having. She's having this love affair right.

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And then the poignancy at the end. When you realize she's lame.

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Okay, and that this is sort of what she gets out of life, because, in fact, life is going to be very unfair to her.

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Because she's lame.

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So I just I thought it was. It was brilliant, you know. It was.

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But it's it's dangerous territory, right, isn't it? I mean, especially, you know, like I told you when I when I teach my undergrads they? They're not on board, you know, and.

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Yeah.

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Like.

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See, I don't think it's massaging. Yes, in a big way. It's misogyny, I guess, but I don't take it that way, because I put it completely in context.

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And I feel that he's really.

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To how those girls saw the world and how they treated the children. And then bloom, I mean, really comes across is like, really, he's just like checking out this girl. She's like showing her legs. I mean, that's like really a crazy scene. That that girl would take that chance and.

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Sort of throw caution to the wind.

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And really sort of expose yourself to this strange man on the beach. Right? It's it's it's really sort of amazing. And it it gets into this whole. I mean, he obviously has a lot of erotic interest.

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But the fact that he taps into it with this young woman I just.

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Let's let's take a big 3 56 for a moment.

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Because this is when they actually sort of, you know, start to.

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I just. I thought it was great, and it didn't offend me at all. I just had fun reading it.

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And you know, there's a lot we could say, and a lot certainly a lot of ink has been spilled on this chapter. You know these channeling fashion, but you can imagine bloom you can imagine Joyce having a great deal of fun trying to channel this.

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And you know I don't. I don't know. They shared a lot of work necessarily with Nora, but I think that you know there, I mean, from what I understand about Nora. She may have had a lot of these magazines, but he was also interested in these magazines, so I think he was, you know, this, this parodying of this kind of language, and also like even like wedding announcements, he did that in in in the last chapter.

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He, I I get the sense that he you know I once read about Faulkner's, that he that he read cereal boxes like he read the ingredients like, I just needed the text.

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You know, when he's having breakfast, and you'd have a book. He would read the box, you know.

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And and I feel like Joyce must have been the same way like he just.

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And he and he channels that, and puts that.

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To use, and you know and I mean we could argue successfully. We could argue also argue that that it, that it does speak down to them, and that they probably had richer and more complicated inner lives than they are being portrayed as having.

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Even though, you know there are moments where Gertie does sort of go places, you know, and I don't know if you'd argue, think this is one of those places, but on page 3, 56. Till then they had only changed glances. The most casual.

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But now, under the brim of her new hat.

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She ventured to look at him.

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And the face that measure gaze there in the twilight and strangely drawn, seemed to her the saddest she had ever seen.

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Right, and you know, is blue and play acting here maybe a little, but we also know he's got good reason to be sad right.

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Yeah, there's a little bit of Heathcliff like romanticization on going on there, too, like.

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There's a line coming up that I just.

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Dive for, but I wanted to just go back quickly to 353. Sorry.

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Yeah.

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When that was just like Sissy comes. And this is right before the end. In the middle of the last paragraph.

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Oh! And will you ever forget the evening she dressed up in her father's suit and hat, and.

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The burned cork mustache and walked down.

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The Tritonville road, smoking a cigarette.

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There was none to come up to her for fun.

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And part of that, not seeing the self in.

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Portrayals of women is that these.

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Hyperfeminine girls right when I'm kind of like.

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More of an a general neutral human, and have been most of my life.

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And somebody said in the chat, you know, like I I didn't relate to all of this like Fashion magazine.

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etc, etc, and I've never been able to roll.

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With those girls, either. It's always been a.

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Travis late, just like I've become a pariah instantly, you know, like, and I mean not anymore in grown times, but but back in the day when I was this age like yes,

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This was this.

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This is my hero here, and the fact that, like there's even that little image of this kind of like.

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Cross, dressy like wild. This is the same girl that has the mom voice, or the whatever that lovely.

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Discretion was.

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I I just it! There's such a.

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A broad OP like offering here.

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And maybe I'm like this is the little bit of queer we get in this teeny, tiny bit.

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This. Actually, I mean, there's other places, too. But yeah, yeah.

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Yeah.

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I mean that that I'm like yes, me, you know and.

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And it's so helpful.

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To have that this brought of a perspective, and he's I mean he gave it took 900 pages to do it. But yeah.

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But yeah, this part on 3 58, where she starts.

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Imagining who bloom is.

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And she felt instinctively that he was like no one else.

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The very heart of the girl woman went out to him.

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Her dream husband, because she knew on the instant it was him.

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If he ever suffered more, send against than sitting.

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Or even even if he had himself been a center.

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A wicked man. She cared not.

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Even if he was a Protestant or a Methodist.

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She converts in easily. If he truly loved her.

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And there were wounds that wanted healing with heartbalm. And that's that kind of like.

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Heath Cliff, and I don't know. It's amazing.

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We've talked about sentimentality before being real thing.

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You know, some romanticization. It's a thing.

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It happens.

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There's so much there's so much I just wanna just even just like on page 3, 50.

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The exasperating little brats of twins began to quarrel again, and Jackie threw the ball out towards the sea, and they both ran after it. Little monkeys.

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I mean, that's harsh, you know.

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She's got her edge.

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Yeah.

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Other thoughts on this, yeah, go ahead.

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Jose actually asked in the chat, could you speak to? How? Why, the narration of Gertie? I think their person close is so incredibly.

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Successful, even though many rise writers use it very well. Joyce seems to be on a level of his own, and I can't quite untangle. Why, thank you.

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I think some of it is the.

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Voice right like we were you were saying about.

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Reading these magazines, and but then getting weird and going deeper and.

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Getting into.

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These these fantasies and.

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Adding a limp, yeah.

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Yeah. And also her father. I mean, we get 3, 54, just to go back a little bit.

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You know she's got a I mean, like a lot of these characters like Stephen.

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You know. She's got a rough home life. She's got an alcoholic father.

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Another one. Had her father only avoided the clutches of the demon drink by taking the pledge of those powders. The drink habit in Pearson's Weekly. She might now be rolling in her carriage, second to none. Over and over she had told herself that as she mused by the dying embers in a brown study without the lamp, because she hated 2 lights, or oftentimes gazing out the window dreamily by the hour at the rain falling on the rusty bucket.

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Thinking. I mean again. He's still, even when he's, you know. I think there's a lot of criticism to this chapter rightfully. So it also got him in deep trouble at the time.

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You know, it's 1 of the reasons the book wasn't wasn't was banned. Was this.

02:27:01.000 --> 02:27:07.000

Chapter, which we haven't even gotten to the masturbation part. Maybe we should. We cut to the chase. But there are.

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Hello!

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You know, I just think I just wanna point out that rusty bucket.

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You know.

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Yeah, there's also this.

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This beautiful

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And somebody mentioned it in the chat just now.

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On 3 52

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And chat. Yeah.

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She wondered why you couldn't eat something like violets or roses, and they would have been beautifully appointed drawing room with pictures and engravings in the photograph.

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Of Grandpa Gil traps, lovely dog, Gary Owen.

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They're like, wait a minute.

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Well, let's look at that page. Yeah, that's backwards. Right? What's what's the pace around that.

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3, 52.

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Yeah,

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Right in the middle, and that's when the citizens.

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But right.

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Her grandfather.

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Right. It's just hilarious.

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Of course the citizens are cool.

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Yeah, her love, his lovely dog.

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You can see how you can imagine Joyce at his desk one.

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Himself.

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Oh, God! Yes!

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And how many of us know, you know I mean

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I I think I had a therapist that once, said.

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You know, children, just look at their grandparents just very differently.

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Then you look at your parents, you know, with this kind of like.

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She has this haunted look on her face, speaking from.

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Deep experience. But

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I I also you know that whole paragraph you read about.

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Her father, and.

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The alcoholism like that.

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So true to the like, the child of an alcoholic just.

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Dreaming of what life would be like if only.

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Mom, dad, etc. I could get it together.

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And like, just take a potion, or, you know, like.

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It's such a complicated.

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Disease, but that viral decoction which has ruined so many.

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Parse. Then home had cast its shadow over her childhood days.

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And just her dream, trying to dream herself out in so many different ways.

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Is so affecting, and I think going back to that like, why is this so good.

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It's because we just have a young girl trying to dream herself out of a really rough space in a bunch.

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And it returns to really themes of joy, just as a tiny just as an aside, one of the most affecting for me.

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Early stories that I read of. His was a story called which is in Dubliners. It's a very simple story about a a a woman who's about to run off.

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To Buenos Aires with her.

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Sailor boyfriend, and she's sitting at home.

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Using about whether or not.

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You know about what she's gonna miss, and.

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Among the things is her alcohol father, who's abusive, and her brother has died, and one brothers working.

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And you know she's looking around at the dusty parlor, and it's kind of her, you know.

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It's as if Barry is is gonna do something else, and and make this move and go to Buenos Aires, and that stories about 6 page stories, but the 1st store I've read of Joyce and I was in. I think I was in college, or something. I was like.

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I mean it just kind of I don't know. It blew my mind because there's a moment, you know, and you know all about Joyce and his theory of Epiphany, and all that which I think is a little.

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A little, some simplistic.

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Expressed, even including by Joyce himself, like this idea that a story needs to have like an epiphany. I think he kind of ruined a lot of.

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Generations of story writers who are writing for epiphanies. I'm like, Oh, my God! Not another epiphany! Please.

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However, in Eveline.

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She's about to get on the boat with the with the boyfriend.

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And she stops in the crowd. It's a huge crowd, and they're moving towards the boat, and the boyfriend gets swept up in the crowd.

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And he's like, come on, come on, come on!

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And she and she. I don't have the line in front of me, but I recall it so vividly.

02:31:11.000 --> 02:31:13.000

She looked at him without love.

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Without forgiveness or something, and then the final line is without recognition.

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Like it's. It's she has.

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She has made. Not only has she made this choice, but it's like he's.

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Gone. And it's just an incredible. So you know, and I think that you know, I think that.

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We can criticize Joyce, or at least note that this is a really male dominated book. But it isn't as if, as a fiction writer. He hasn't written about women.

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He does, especially in Dubliners, and and the most famous story of all is certainly about gabriel Conroy's wife, Greta.

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Even though she doesn't get as much air time as Gabriel. The stories about her.

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So in any case any other. I mean, there's so much. But I think like you know, and we heard from Catherine, you know the story that the chapter didn't offend? And again, what if it did? You know he doesn't care. He's he's all about offending, and but I think that, you know, reading this this time. I I always like looking for it, you know, and I was like, I don't know. I just kind of felt like.

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They had a moment, but then take a step back. You know she's she's 19. He's in his forties. He's a leering, creepy guy on the beach. That's just a fact, right? Especially from our 2,024 eyes, but also with our 2,004, our 19. 0 4 eyes, too. Right? I mean, this is, this is, and Bloom knows it.

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He knows that he's being creepy.

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Right. There's a whole. Let's look at page 3, 67. Then I'll Melta, unless you want to talk about more, because I'm happy to go back but 3, 7. Then I'll melted away dually in the gray, all with silent.

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She glanced at him as she bent forward quickly a pathetic little glance of piteous protest. I mean, I think there's a lot made of the that she's.

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You know, disabled like, you know, lame. But I think like this is sort of for me. Just a key moment in this chapter, a pathetic, a pathetic little glance of piteous protest of shire approach, under which he colored like a girl. He was leaning back against the rock behind Leopold bloom, for it is he.

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Yeah, I mean, this is like.

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Not serious. Well, it is he. Of course we do think we didn't know that.

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James stand silent, with bowed head before those young, guileless eyes. What a brute he had been at it again! A few so fair unsuppalled to him, and a wench that he was. How had he answered.

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An utter CAD. He had been.

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He! He!

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The one who's a victim of the CAD.

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Is being a CAD. How am I to take this pair? How did you take this paragraph.

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Seriously or or not seriously.

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Girity, had an idea what of love's little loses.

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She slipped a hand, or could she pocket and took out the waddling and waved in reply, of course, without letting him.

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And then slipped it back.

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Wonder he's too far, too. She rose. Was it? Goodbye? No, I mean, you know I don't know.

02:34:22.000 --> 02:34:24.000

It's tender. It's funny.

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It's just a lot of things. It's slippery.

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I'm just. I'm never sure how to read it. Maybe it depends on the mood.

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Any any open season on this chapter, because I do want to introduce the hospital chapter, and I actually want to take a poll and know how you're doing. If you've reached that chapter and where you're at, and if I'm going too fast.

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But but Anne.

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I mean, I mean I interpreted it as he was beating up on himself like it's you know it's it's it's him saying, Oh, you know he's

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What I also I mean. Tell me if I'm.

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Just on a basic level. I understood it that she knows.

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She's doing a strip tease for him.

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This is going. This is going both ways.

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No, I mean.

02:35:20.000 --> 02:35:22.000

Yeah, it's going both ways.

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And he masturbates, and then he's and now he's beating up on himself.

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And then.

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A bit later, and I I don't know if.

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I got time.

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Working to 3 71 he has. He looks back on something. I don't want to start talking about something that.

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You're about to talk about Peter.

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Oh, no! No go ahead, no.

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I was reading something that to me.

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Did he pimp Molly out.

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In what? In what sense, and and.

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On 3, 71. It says,

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1st kiss does the trick. The propitious moment something inside them goes Pop mushy.

02:36:12.000 --> 02:36:16.000

You know, tell whether I 1st thoughts are best. Remember, till their dying date. Molly.

02:36:16.000 --> 02:36:23.000

Lieutenant Mulvy that kissed her under the Moorish wall beside the gardens. 15, she told me, but her breasts were developed.

02:36:23.000 --> 02:36:31.000

Fell asleep. Then, after again Cree dinner that was when we drove home the featherbed mountain.

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I I read that, and I hope I'm wrong.

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But you can devastate me and tell me that I'm not wrong. I read that as.

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That.

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Molly.

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Prostituted herself to this lieutenant, and then they used the money to get a feather bed to go home.

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Am I totally like? Did I.

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I think that is.

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Please tell me I'm wrong, because that really upset me. I didn't like this other stuff I'm like, oh, you know.

02:36:55.000 --> 02:36:58.000

Why could? It's a fascinating interpretation.

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Okay, so I'm wrong. Please tell me.

02:36:59.000 --> 02:37:03.000

I would take it a little slower, and you know it's just, you know.

02:37:03.000 --> 02:37:07.000

He doesn't connect dots, so of course you could.

02:37:07.000 --> 02:37:11.000

Go a lot of places, including there. But here's how I.

02:37:11.000 --> 02:37:12.000

Like I wrote. No, no, no, no.

02:37:12.000 --> 02:37:21.000

1st thoughts are best. Remember that till they're dying day, and then, you know again, with transitionless moments.

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Okay.

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Lieutenant Mulvey that kissed her under the Moorish wall beside the gardens. 15, she told me.

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This is before. Bloom doesn't know Molly when she's 15.

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Okay.

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So this is the story that the married couple has told each other.

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Okay.

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And Molly likes to tell these stories. You're gonna hear more. She loves these stories, and this is another one. She's you know, her 1st kiss.

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I mean, maybe aster once. What was your 1st kiss?

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Okay. Thank.

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You know, and then

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Thank you. I honestly. That was I was.

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And then he actually. But it's a great.

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Totally cool with everything, and then that.

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I'm glad you pointed it, cause it's it's got like double stars in my notes. But.

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Notice then what happens. So 15. But her breasts were developed. That's Molly's saying I was 15, but my, you know I was. I looked older, or whatever.

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Then another remarkable transition here.

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Fell asleep then. So this is the memory of when she told him.

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That story.

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Goes on after Grenke dinner. That was when we drove home the Federal.

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That was when we drove home the featherbed mountain.

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So it's just a memory of when he was told that. But this is so.

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You know it's like dropped in a pair in A, in A, in a chapter that you you could easily miss this.
You know.

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Well, then, I wondered if then he's looking at Gertie and thinking of Molly, I mean, that's what it is. Then he's longing for, Molly, and here's this young girl, and he wishes.

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Yeah, yeah. Now, you think it's built in creepiness and all that. Yeah.

02:38:54.000 --> 02:38:55.000

Yeah.

02:38:55.000 --> 02:38:56.000

Yeah, yeah.

02:38:56.000 --> 02:38:58.000

I'm so relieved.

02:38:58.000 --> 02:39:01.000

Yeah, no, I think you can be sure. I mean, you know. Who knows?

02:39:01.000 --> 02:39:02.000

No, it's not.

02:39:02.000 --> 02:39:07.000

You know Molly is. I mean when you know Molly is a complicated.

02:39:07.000 --> 02:39:13.000

Sexual, like incredibly intense character, who is like lurking.

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You know it's it's I, you know.

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Yeah. Again, I was trying to read the book as if for the 1st time.

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It is frustrating.

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You know that he can go anywhere he wants to go in this entire city.

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But the one place he can't go is to Echo Street, at least not yet right. And it's it's almost as weird withholding.

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That he's doing, but she's always cropping up. Why? Because she's he's on her mind.

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And I think my theory is that.

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That if blazes boil and wasn't coming over at 4 o'clock on this day, I so I still think that Bloom spends his days when he is not home.

02:39:55.000 --> 02:40:01.000

Kind of remembering stuff about Molly, because and this is I was asked a question like.

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You know. Can we talk about what's going on with them?

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And we can, of course.

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Well, we we don't know.

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Exactly. And this is where I kind of like kind of caution against this sort of like.

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Explanations.

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Like, like, you know, and and we're get to. You know what they call the Freudian chapter.

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You know, in the night town supposedly explains everything, because suddenly, you know, Joyce is a Freudian, which he thought was a joke. It's a joke. He's not a Freudian, he's not explaining

everything. And so this idea that people have scholars or act them, whoever are saying and I mean this came up once and.

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It's in there, so it's not as if it's not.

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But this idea that their entire relationship has not is not sexual because of Rudy's death.

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I that's going to be suggested. I'll just say that, and I'm just not. I don't buy it. I don't buy it. When I read it. I think there's so much more to people's relationship.

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And I think Joyce, of all people wouldn't know would have known that. Of course.

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But I just think he's in love with his wife, you know, deeply.

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And it's kind of a you know he's not, you know. He's not duck.

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You know, compared to all these other guys.

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Yeah.

02:41:20.000 --> 02:41:23.000

That's why it freaked me out so much that I that I had that misunderstanding cause. I've I have felt this love so much all the way through it, and then I got, and I was like.

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Yeah, I think that might be a line. He wouldn't even cross. But I might be wrong. I might be wrong.

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So great any other, I mean again, and I could I I wanted to like at least.

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Alleviate any any

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Anxieties about the next chapter in the in the remaining time that we have, because this is still, you know, straightforward.

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Not uncomplicated, just straightforward, like we know what happened.

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You know it's a you know. A thing happened on the beach between 2 people.

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You know, and Gertie seems to have you know.

02:42:02.000 --> 02:42:09.000

Enjoyed it, you know, so I don't know. I don't know how to judge it, but I feel, you know, like I said I.

02:42:09.000 --> 02:42:24.000

When I've taught this to my undergrads, I I always hang back and just, you know, and I cause I always have students like lead the discussions, and on this one I'm like have at it, you know. But but it's something that happens in Blooms day, you know.

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And I think the context is always important.

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The time of day is always important.

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It is twilight. What has ever happened on Echo Street has probably happened already.

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And so, you know, he is the saddest man alive right now.

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He's also been beaten up by the citizen.

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Metaphorically, he's had a rough day at this point.

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And what is remarkable.

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About the rest of the book.

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Is that he remains standing and functioning.

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I'd be exhausted at this point.

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After all that he's been. He's been to a funeral.

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He's been in in the the music chapter when he's watching blazes and watches and walk out.

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You know, jingle so. But any other thoughts on this chapter before we leave it, even though there's.

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There again. There's a great deal here.

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There's also really interesting. There's a temperance meeting going on.

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Which is nearby. And so there's lots of you know. It's not as if this chapter is laser focused. There is a lot of texture in this chapter. A lot of like it's it's 1 of the few chapters where you see the landscape.

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More, and you you really get to sort of enjoy the the place where Steven, you know he sees the dead dog on Sandy mount. But here, you know, you kind of get a sense of just like the the.

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You know the the physical space which is not Joyce's forte. He's just not. I don't think he's as interested.

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He's interested in character constantly, but here I feel like there are people.

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On the beach, you know, and I feel like he's enjoying that.

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So.

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Any other thoughts on this chapter.

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Do you want to hear about the hospital chapter?

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Really.

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Alright. Well, let me get your thoughts like, did anyone.

02:44:12.000 --> 02:44:23.000

Like, what did you? And and don't explain it. I mean, I'll try. You know. I I think it's important like I can. I mean. I think you all know what happened in it right.

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It's an easy chapter to describe. Plot, wise.

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Right.

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Well, let's just lay it out. There is that Bloom has left Sandy Mount, and apparently he's taken the tram. There's no way to get where he needs to be without that. Apparently Sandy Mount always involves tram ride that never happened, which is, as Emily says, I'm I'm a little obsessed with but I I believe he takes a tram to to near the hospital, and.

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There's some hilarious connections that have been laid for us like little eggs throughout, and that is that he's he's.

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He knows the doctor because the doctor treated him for bee sting, which has come up here and there. If anybody wants to point out where exactly I tried to find it before class. I couldn't find the bee sting, but it's mentioned a couple of times at least.

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So. But what is he doing.

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And this is just this Bloomian thing.

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What is he gone to the hospital for.

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And I'll get to the introduction, which is a little bit similar to the in the music chapter in in the restaurant in the Ormond Hotel, where it starts with kind of an overture.

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It's been explained. I could tell you what says about it in a moment. And I'm I'm forgetting now because I my eyes glaze a little bit over it, and there's a whole.

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Discussion which bloom which Joyce planted because he told his friend Fred.

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Frank bludgeon about it.

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Saying that this chapter was an attempt to.

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Talk about birth.

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Through the birth of the English language, and the way the English language, you know, evolves over the years. And as you notice what ends up, happening at the very end.

02:46:01.000 --> 02:46:07.000

This chapter and nighttime chapter. But he there's an American voice.

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It's like where he's like he knew.

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He knew where the English language would end up. It would end up with talking like I'm talking and that is on page.

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Somewhere on on pitch 4, 28. But I'll get to that in a moment.

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Yeah, Frisco beach to that of last. So that's an American voice talking at the very end. So.

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But aside from that, the trickiness of this.

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Transparent attempt to be wildly.

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Genius, uncle, you know, I mean, who would try and pull this off? Who could write middle English? And then, you know, and then Welsh, and I mean it goes on and on and on. They and you can see.

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In the text where the registers changes, you know.

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Is this I highly recommend listening to an audio version of this, because if the actors get it right.

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They can, they? They change the registers and they change the voices, and that can be really good as a BBC.

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Reading of this particular chapter, which I recommend.

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I could post it, but just just to lay it out.

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Why has he? And this is what just fascinates me about.

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And I would love it if this chapter was different. I'll just be honest.

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Cause, I think. What if this chapter was written like my favorite chapter? So far the the citizen chapter where I would. Okay, yes, sure. But give me that great scene in the pub.

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Where these guys are actually talking.

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Here you got a bunch of drunk.

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Young guys, mostly Lanahan's there. He's a little bit older.

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And bloom, of course, is in his forties.

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They're in the hospital. What are they doing there?

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Apparently just hang out drinking. If somebody could explain why they've gathered there.

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Tell me, but we know that Buck Mulligan has been at the party, that Steven wasn't invited to.

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And Stephen ends up. I think Sean might be helping us in that in a moment. But let me just say this, that why is bloom. There is the important thing that I wanted to get to.

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Because I know what Stevens doing.

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You know. But I maybe there may be a plot point that I'm not thinking of immediately.

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Bloom is there? Why, and we've said this before.

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Bloom is there to give his.

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Respects to an old friend mean a perfume, who was from another part of his life, one that he was when he was hanging out with Mrs. Breen.

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And she has told him on the street earlier in the day that she's having this difficult birth.

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Right, but I mean.

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Mean a Perfway is not like his best friend, or Molly's best friend. She seems to be a person.

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Really from the past.

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And it seems odd and kind of beautiful thing to me.

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That in order to so waste time and not go home.

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This is what he chooses to do.

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Now he may have some indication that Steven's gonna be there.

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And again tell me if I missed that.

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On this read, but he's there, ostensibly to pay his respects to me, and then the then that he gets invited in by this doctor he knows, hey? I got some friends here. Why don't you come and have a drink with us?

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Course Bloom doesn't want to do that, but he's ostensibly there to comfort someone.

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You know, and it's similar. I didn't mention this in the Citizen chapter, but he there's a moment where they actually talk about Mrs. Breen and Mr. Breen running around town with his, you know, with his

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These law books and and Bloom says it's just so hard for her.

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To have to keep up with him all the time, and of course they're like, Oh, does he not? Maybe he's got a case, you know, and they talk about the law angle of it.

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What does Bloom think about? He thinks about the hardship.

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To Mrs. Brain. And so this is just this other example of this guy.

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But again I say it's because he doesn't want to go home. So it's not complete, not like some saint.

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But there's a little saintliness in him.

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So he goes to the hospital and.

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Is there to comfort her, but then he doesn't actually get to see her, because she's still in labor and Sean. And then and then, Jonathan, love to hear what you guys have to say.

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Sure. So in terms of

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Steven. My sense is that.

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He is hanging out with the Med students in the hospital in like a lounge, and they're getting pissed where they probably shouldn't be.

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And in terms of bloom. The main reason from my sense is that.

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He can't go home.

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And then number 2 is that he wants to keep track of Steven cause he feels.

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A little bit responsible for them, and then number 3 is that he wants to see how this labor is going.

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Yeah, I mean interesting. I'd love to. I mean, just as a point like I if there's a if there's a moment where.

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Bloom hears, or maybe it's offstage. But how does he know Steven's there? I mean, it's a big city, but anyway, but.

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There, and and and you know they keep. You know he ends up. He ends up at the library for a reason. Right? He's looking up the

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Fair enough.

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The thing. And, Stevens, there's a lot.

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Right, I mean, either he's either is just bumping into Steven all the time, or he is intentionally, you know, involved.

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It would make sense that it was intentional, because at this point we know he sort of cares about Stephen.

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And and this is the chapter that that really becomes clear.

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He really starts to care. But he's been caring about Stephen.

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In this book since the moment he saw him.

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In the carriage in the funeral scene.

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When he leave the the looking at Stephen leads him to his memory of Rudy.

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Right, and is thinking of Rudy. So there's a there's some connection that's being made. So, anyway. Thank you, Sean. That's why he's there, and that, I think, is it helps when you're in the morass of this chapter.

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To know that that there are familiar characters, and they are present in the room.

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And you know

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Stephen is the booster, you know. He's the drunker, and and and blooms the comforter. And then there's all these other characters, some of whom we know him, some of whom we don't. Of course Mulligan comes, and it becomes all about Mulligan.

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And there's there's I want to point out particular textual moments in here that are that are great. But it's already getting late. And Jonathan, what did you have.

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No, it was really helpful. I've been trying to keep the commentaries, and one of my questions going in tonight is like, Why are they in a hospital? And then you asked it as a question. So I that was super helpful. Whatever was just.

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I mean, we know. You know Joyce is a medical student in his day, and so I think that this may be just like you know, they don't a lot of money, and like, maybe you know, I don't know. They're just.

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I just drunk it up.

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Yeah, maybe there's booze. That seems to be a lot of booze there, you know.

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So perfect.

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But it doesn't make a lot of sense. And you have to say, like Irish people who read this like this does like a lot of things in this book make no sense to Irish people who know damn well what was going on to 1,904. And they're like this is. No, no, no, this doesn't work, and you know, like the funeral itself isn't really an Irish funeral of that time. I mean, it's not perfect.

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He's not perfect, you know so. But he.

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I think he wanted desperately for some to to talk about birth.

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We've had the death. So this is the birth.

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Now you could argue strongly. Why did he choose to do it in this way?

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Well, my other question, my one question.

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You know, like I think the missed opportunity.

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Is the is this intentionally in the middle of the book? I mean, we're right. And it did he intentionally pluck? Put this.

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Plant this right there. That was another.

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And you must have intentionally right. And and you know, and a lot of people are like, why did you do this to me?

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You know, and you know, if you're like me, I like I gotta read every word, or else I'm cheating, you know, and so I do read every word of this, and I've come to like it.

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Because I think if you get through the 1st 10 pages or so, where it's that middle English which again is just a send up of like Beowulf, or whatever right? I mean, it's just a it's just a hilarious send up and you start to you. Start to get it, so can someone brave person just read a little bit from early part, not from the very early part. I'll tell you what in a book I've to say, and you know, absolutely look to.

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Look to anything I mean, look to like Hugh Kenner. And just I just didn't want to lead the class with that.

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But now it's like all hands on deck, whatever it takes to get you through. This read the cliff notes fine.

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You know, I just didn't want you. I just didn't want the interpretation to be someone else's. But now it's like whatever it takes to get through.

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And that, and write to me, and I'll give you some options. But can we, can we? Someone read a little bit and then I'm I'm gonna let you all go and myself go. But we're on 3, which is where this starts and.

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You know the hoops, the hoops, boy. A boy who that's like, you know the midwives sort of talking about, you know, kinda.

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In either encouraging or or we started at the end in the babies born at this moment.

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But we know that in the in the plot of the chapter the baby is not born.

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So you know.

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Every sentence in this chapter makes sense and and is discernible.

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It just, you know, it takes a great deal of concentration. It's frustrating and also like it doesn't move the story. Sometimes you're like, what the hell.

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You know. But let's look at page 85.

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From in word, in word, worry. The watcher hearing come that man Mildred, because this is our entrance, right? Any kind, anytime. There's a mild or moderate or restraining personages in this chapter. It's bloom right? So can someone read that. And again, it it.

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It. There's a whole thing about horns. The doctor he's dead like in the cattle I've been studying like. Why Joyce is so obsessed with cattle and.

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Irish history has a lot of cattle in it, and mouth and stuff like that. But can someone read a little bit from this.

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Rave, person.

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Can you hear me?

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Yes.

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Okay. I'll try it.

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In in Barry the watcher, hearing come that man, mild hearted if rising with Swire.

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You. You wouldn't put to him. Brigade undid.

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Low, level.

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It's just like the guy, Knox, and you know the world. Tired man knocks on door. Right? Okay, go ahead.

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Okay, low 11 leaping lightens and eye blink. Ireland's westward.

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Bull. She dread that God, the record all mankind, would forewar with water for his.

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For his evil sins.

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Price rude made she on breastbone, and him drew that he would raise under her thatch.

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That man who will, watching Worthful went in Horn's house.

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Alright, so he's in the door. Go ahead.

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One more, one more.

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Okay.

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Loath to Erken's hall hat, holding the seeker, stood.

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On her stow. Her air was living with dear wife, and loves some daughter.

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That then, or land and seafloor 9 year had long outwandered.

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Once you're in town, hits the meeting. He to her.

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Beau had not doped.

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Her to forgive. Now he craved with good ground of her aloud that that.

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Of him. Swift, seeing face. Hers, too young then, had looked lighter, eyes kindled, bloom of blushes. His wordy.

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So, you know, but like if you read out loud to see like Oh, wait.

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It was living with dear wife and loves, and there's bloom again, and apparently he's been wandering for 9 years now, you know, which is Ulysses like honest, you know Odysseus, like.

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And it, you know it goes so slow, every little thing. But by the end of the end of the page.

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You get this.

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The man. Then, Wright? Ernest asked the nun, of which death.

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The dead man was died.

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Because he's got a connection to this Dr. O'hare.

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Oh, Dr. O'hare has died.

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But he somehow knew him. I'm not sure if he's the beasting guy or not, but maybe he is. But I think the beasting Guy is the other man then right? Ernest asked, the none of which death the dead man was died, and the nun answered him, and said that he was died in Mona Island through Belly Crab 3 years ago. Come.

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Child, miss, and she prayed to God the All Truthful, to have his dear soul in his undeadliness. So she.

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She wants him back alive. He heard her sad words. Bloom does in held hands like this is a great sentence.

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He heard her sad words.

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In held hat, sad, staring.

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That's a great one. So like there is buried in this, you know, truly great stuff, but it's like slow motion. We're like moving through molasses, so eventually he does get. It's Dr. Dixon is the young one.

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And so it turns out that the traveler Leopold, was to him.

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So then it happened that they had had to do each other in the House of Misery, where his where this learning lay by cause the traveller Leopold came there to be healed, for he was sore wounded in his breast by a spear, where, with a horrible and dreadful dragon, was smiting him, for which he did make a salv, a volatile salt. So what has happened.

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It's just like it's hilarious version of a beast thing. The dragon is a B.

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Right. So he's just having a great deal of fun.

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But the problem with this chapter is, Joyce seems to be having fun by himself.

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Like. Oftentimes he's having fun with us, and we're with him. But here he's like, you know what? And Jonathan's right, I mean, like, why, here.

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Good question right? Because he could.

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Because he cuz he could cause he cause he could actually pull this shit off.

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You know, and he knew that if people worked for it.

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They'd get there, I suppose.

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But this was not a guy who was interested in writing a bestseller. It's no question about it.

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You know you think.

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Melville Melville knew how to write bestsellers. So why do you write, Moby, Dick? Because he had to.

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You know, he thought maybe sold better than it would than it did. He was a little disappointed about that, but he couldn't possibly have thought it was going to be best seller, like those other bestsellers he wrote about, you know, swashbuckling seafarers.

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That could go on. But I think you get the idea here that it is all here, and then it starts to become, you know, awfully normal language.

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Because Steven is getting drunker and drunker and bloom.

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Is trying to.

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Kinda he's starting to have a connection. So I'll just leave you with page 3, 95.

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But what? This is in the middle of the page.

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But was young, both cards fear. So there's a storm there's like a thunderclap that happens. Apparently. Joyce himself was very afraid of thunder.

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So Steven is, too. But was young Bothards vanquished by commerce, words.

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Just very pretty, straightforward sentence, you know.

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For was young boat stars, fear vanquished by commerce? No.

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For it. Yet in his bosom a spike named Bitterness.

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And it's easy to get confused with another drunk guy named Punch. Here.

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And I've heard actually, commentators think that he's talking to Puncho, but make no sense if that's what he was doing.

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This is Stephen, and bloom together.

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And he is not calmed.

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By Bloom's calmness. He is.

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Undone by bitterness.

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And you gotta think like.

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Bloom has a lot on his mind.

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This night. Why does he give a shit about a drunk kid who thinks he's a genius when he hasn't done anything.

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You know, because he's cause he's a father figure. That's why.

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And he somehow thinks there's something redeeming about Stephen.

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And that's to be continued.

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Right. That's what ends up. We're about to when you leave this chapter, and I wish you luck if you haven't read it yet. But you must read it.

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If you say you've read this book, you must read this chapter. That's the cost.

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But again, like I said, it gets pretty delightful.

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But there's an upshot. Basically they drink and drink a drink.

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They have lots of conversations. Among them is a very intense one about whether or not and this is, you know, speaking of relevance. You know whether or not the life of the mother is more important than the life of the kid.

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And the Catholic Church at this time, and.

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I suppose now would say that like for the kid is more important, or I don't know if they make that hierarchy. But in the book they do.

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Or the book. They argue that they do.

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That's comes up in their conversation.

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They talk about abortion. I mean, the whole thing is just like.

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You know, and it goes on and on and on, because it's all about.

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Birth, and it's obfuscated, and it's frustrating.

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But it's there.

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And if you have questions or particular places you want to go, I'm happy to go to them, but it is 9, 30.

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And it's been a long night, but.

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As usual. In my view.

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Bloom, rescues.

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Steven, and he rescues the book, too.

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Because he rescues this chapter.

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By being his decent self.

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Ineffectual. Nobody listens to them, nobody cares.

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Mulligan is on his case.

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But he's there.

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He's there, and the chapter ends with them all. Kind of bursting out.

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Course me and perfo the baby is born.

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And they treat that with a lot of disrespect.

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And then the nurse tries to get them to be quiet, and they won't.

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It's a horrible chapter. The behavior is horrible.

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And the only person again is bloom.

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You know, sort of like behaves.

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Relatively, decently.

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Any questions.

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Thoughts.

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They go out into the night. After this.

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And we don't have time to discuss what happens then. But.

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We have 2 more.

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Classes, and I and this will work.

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Because nighttime is a play.

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It moves quickly.

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Nabokov argued, and I think it's an interesting argument.

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That

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That the book itself starts to hallucinate.

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That's a nice way of thinking about that chapter.

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So if you're like what the fuck is going on, the book is hallucinate.

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The book is reading itself.

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The book knows all the.

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Scenes in the crazy scenes in the brothel chapter have read the other part of this book.

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Well, where did he get this from? It's totally from Cervantes.

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I mean, if there was an influence on this book, I would argue.

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Cause. He did that same thing.

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He did all this stuff before Joyce did.

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Any last thoughts?

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Before you, so I so I send you into the nighttown chapter.

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But enjoy this chapter, because there's a lot in here.

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And there's I will definitely, on the Thursday.

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Notes. I will go back and be very specific about things you might want to look for in this chapter, but I don't tonight, and then I'll introduce.

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The brothel chapter, which is, you know, baffling and funny and creepy and offensive, for sure.

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And then what happens, and I'll I'll just tell you this, so you're ready for it.

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Is we finally get.

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Moments, where.

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A very drunken.

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Think Mr. Hunter.

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Ends up, becoming in the basic care.

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Of Mr. Ballum, and that will take us.

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To almost the very end of the book.

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And you know not much happens after this point.

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Other than that connection.

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But I will argue that that connection ends up being this just this kind of extraordinary.

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Thing that the book almost just becomes something else again. He reinvents it again, and I won't. I don't wanna.

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Chin that up. But the reinvention that happens after.

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The scene in the brothel is so extraordinary that I just think I just hope you I just I'd like encourage you to get there.

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And then and then there's a parity on top, because then we get the voice of Molly, which again.

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Is not a spoiler, and you all know this popular culture.

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And Meryl Street performs that we could listen to her do it. She's great.

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Any last thoughts? Laura.

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Anything.

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I just.

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Loves that Edna and Brian, and that video that you.

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Posted the shorter one says.

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You know, aren't all.

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Novels, or.

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Is an all fiction essentially about.

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Politics and sex.

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And that we we got those 2 chapters. We got the politics and the sex chapter right next to each other.

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Then we get a baby born.

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And yes, there you go!

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Beautiful.

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All right. Well, thank you, everybody. I hope I didn't go on too long, and.

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Please keep those questions coming. I've got a list of them, some of them I haven't gotten to

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And Judy asked me a really interesting question about editing, and I'm doing some research on that. So I'll get back to you on that, and there may be some I've missed. So.

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Please keep them coming, and I'm happy to try my best. So.

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But I know people are maybe quieter because it's late. But B, because it's chapter and you may not have gotten through yet, and I get that. I get that.

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All right.

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Cool. Please join the the houses.

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Really fun. Thanks, Brett. Oh, there's a hand that Neil had a question hand.

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Thanks, Peter, that's great.