



## LitChat July 30, 2010

Topic of the Week: Young Debut Authors

Guest Host: Jacob Ritari, author

The transcripts below cover the #litchat conversation noted above. The order appears sequentially from opening post to the closing post within the #litchat published chat time.

Guest host: @jacobritari

LitChat Today we're excited to have youngest published author ever to host #litchat. Please welcome 23-yr-old @jacobritari, author of TAKARO GORGE. -12:59 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari Hello! Great to be "here" which...I guess means sitting at my desk like always. #litchat -12:59 PM Jul 30th, 2010

LitChat Easy way to join #litchat is at <http://bit.ly/MH5Qs>. Login w/ Twitter and you're at the party. -1:00 PM Jul 30th, 2010

LitChat While everyone's gathering, let's take just a moment for introductions. Who's with us today? #litchat -1:01 PM Jul 30th, 2010

CKingWriter Hello #litchat I'm here for once -1:02 PM Jul 30th, 2010

David\_Heb Hi there - I'm David, a book blogger based in the UK. #litchat -1:02 PM Jul 30th, 2010

robertjbennett I'm here, though I'm running on no sleep so perhaps only in an auxiliary mode. #litchat -1:02 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @robertjbennett Props for your avatar #harkavagrant #litchat -1:03 PM Jul 30th, 2010

kriheli @LitChat i'm here. also here representing my forthcoming lit mag : @splitquarterly #litchat -1:04 PM Jul 30th, 2010

robertjbennett @jacobritari Ha, thanks! Hark a Vagrant's quickly become my favorite webcomic.#litchat -1:04 PM Jul 30th, 2010

kriheli @jacobritari rules. #litchat -1:04 PM Jul 30th, 2010

unbridledbooks UBB in the house... #litchat -1:04 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari And to the rest, well met! #litchat -1:04 PM Jul 30th, 2010

DawnHerring I'm Dawn Herring, working on a novel ms; essay writer and journal writer #litchat -1:05 PM Jul 30th, 2010

bigreader101 spectating #litchat -1:05 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @kriheli aw shucks #litchat -1:05 PM Jul 30th, 2010

LitChat Please do pitch the mag and what you're looking for after chat. RT @kriheli: representing my forthcoming lit mag : @splitquarterly #litchat -1:05 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt Non-twentysomething writer here. I was still learning to read back then. #litchat -1:06 PM Jul 30th, 2010

cindymariej I will be listening into #litchat but can't indulge in full, unfortunately. -1:06 PM Jul 30th, 2010

latta #litchat i'll be in for a few. As an aside, AWP has announced dates and location for 2011...DC. -1:06 PM Jul 30th, 2010

LitChat M & W we discussed authors who published before they hit the big 3-0. You are certainly one of those. When did you begin writing? #litchat -1:07 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt Some of my fiction here: <http://tinyurl.com/JulieBritt> <http://tinyurl.com/JulieBritt2> <http://tinyurl.com/JulieBritt3> #litchat #litchat -1:08 PM Jul 30th, 2010

TaoJoannes Speculative Fiction from Tao Joannes - Brand X <http://bit.ly/bUGzBT> #scifichat #litchat -1:08 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @LitChat Some time in middle school. It wasn't until late high school I was producing long-form pieces I thought were any good. #litchat -1:09 PM Jul 30th, 2010
just4kixbooks #litchat gets going just as it is my bedtime. Dogs are already in bed - cats never out of it. -1:09 PM Jul 30th, 2010
gamesafoot I'm here...though I'll be popping in and out. #litchat -1:09 PM Jul 30th, 2010
JulieBritt @jacobritari A late bloomer, huh? :) #litchat -1:10 PM Jul 30th, 2010
gamesafoot @jacobritari What prompted you to start long-form writing? A person? An incident? What inspired you? #litchat -1:10 PM Jul 30th, 2010
cindymariej @LitChat about 7 or 8. Writing them down, 11 years-old. #litchat -1:10 PM Jul 30th, 2010
wildbloom Checking in to #litchat -1:10 PM Jul 30th, 2010
DawnHerring RT @just4kixbooks: #litchat gets going just as it is my bedtime. Dogs are already in bed - cats never out of it.//Not even at night? -1:10 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari So before I get to questions, I'll just make what seems to me a simple and factually defensible statement: #litchat -1:11 PM Jul 30th, 2010
LitChat @jacobritari What kind of work were you producing in HS? Any particular genre or style? #litchat -1:11 PM Jul 30th, 2010
CKingWriter @jacobritari is writing your full time profession? #litchat -1:11 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari The majority of famous historical authors were published by thirty. A surprisingly high number before twenty-five. #litchat -1:11 PM Jul 30th, 2010
marirandomities After a lng absence I'm back to #litchat. Yay! :) Can someone tell me today's topic please? #litchat -1:12 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari Think of some of your favorite authors from say, 50+ years back and look up their first book. You may be surprised. Now... #litchat -1:12 PM Jul 30th, 2010
JulieBritt @jacobritari They didn't have Wii and Twitter to distract them. #litchat -1:12 PM Jul 30th, 2010
LitChat @marirandomities We are interviewing @jacobritari, 23-yr-old author of TAKARO GORGE. #litchat -1:13 PM Jul 30th, 2010
inkgypsy @jacobritari He - life expectancy was also less too. Just sayin' ;) #litchat -1:13 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @gamesafoot To me, being a writer is a temperament. A writer can't communicate with the world in any other way. #litchat -1:13 PM Jul 30th, 2010
gamesafoot @JulieBritt Education was different: not as many were educated and most were relatively upperclass with the time. #litchat -1:13 PM Jul 30th, 2010
JulieBritt @jacobritari I think many of them saw writing as a career. We tend to do it in addition to whatever pays the bills these days. #litchat -1:13 PM Jul 30th, 2010
inkgypsy @marirandomities All week it's been about young authors - not sure the particular focus of today re that #litchat -1:13 PM Jul 30th, 2010
gamesafoot @jacobritari I work with students who have something to say, it's hard for them to get the words down, though. #litchat -1:14 PM Jul 30th, 2010
goodlaura RT @scifichat: Next #scifichat is Aug 6, 2-4pm ET. Topic: #Mythology as #Literature. #books #TV #film #culture #litchat #gods -1:14 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @CKingWriter Absolutely, I'm a literary prole. It's terrifying. Luckily my mother is still alive. #litchat -1:14 PM Jul 30th, 2010
agnieszkasshoes @marirandomities welcome back! It's young debut novelists- today's host the v talented @jacobritari #litchat -1:14 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @JulieBritt Hah, good point. I actually think writing is easier than ever, for two reasons: Microsoft Word and Wikipedia #litchat -1:15 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 agnieszkasshoes @inkgypsy we have a young debut novelist in our midst ( @jacobritari ) #litchat -1:15 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 jacobritari @gamesafoot This isn't quite to the point, but traditionally, nearly all writers are middle class. #litchat -1:16 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 marirandomities @LitChat @inkgypsy Thanks! I rather not think about age, otherwise I'll feel constrained, heh. (and I'm not even old!) #litchat -1:16 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 AuthorWilliam [slips into #litchat late] -1:16 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 marirandomities @agnieszkasshoes Thanks Dan! Glad to be back. :) #litchat -1:16 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 jacobritari @gamesafoot You have a few upper class (Lampedusa), a few lower class...can't actually think of any #litchat -1:16 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 gamesafoot @jacobritari The internet really changed researching: I can access libraries in England while living in Los Angeles. #litchat -1:16 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 kriheli @jacobritari publishing is as easy as ever too. especially if you take matters into your own hands! #litchat -1:16 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 jacobritari @gamesafoot Even Dickens was solidly middle-class for all the horror stories of his youth #litchat -1:16 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 CKingWriter @jacobritari Goodness that's an extremely broad statement. I beg to disagree #litchat -1:16 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 JulieBritt @AuthorWilliam Better late than never. #litchat -1:17 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 jacobritari @kriheli Woof, now that's a whole other story. But short answer: definitely yes #litchat -1:17 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 marirandomities @AuthorWilliam Hi there! :) #litchat -1:17 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 ingkypsy @marirandomities Think of it instead as a way to sort the important from unimportant. ;) #litchat Goes for choosing what book to write too. -1:17 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 wildbloom @AuthorWilliam Hey there! #litchat -1:17 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 gamesafoot @jacobritari That's very true: but in Dickens time, middle class had far more time on their hands than lower classes. #litchat -1:17 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 CKingWriter @jacobritari DH Lawrence? #litchat -1:17 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 techtigger hello everyone! \*waves\* #litchat -1:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 wildbloom @gamesafoot Researching for me is almost as addictive as writing. #litchat -1:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 jacobritari @CKingWriter Wait, which one? #litchat -1:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 AuthorWilliam @marirandomities @wildbloom Hi! :-)) #litchat -1:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 LitChat Can you tell us a bit about your journey with TAKARO GORGE? #litchat -1:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 valerivaldes RT @scifichat: Next #scifichat is August 6, 2-4pm ET. Topic: Mythology as Literature. #books #TV #film #culture #litchat #literature #mythology #gods -1:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 robertjbennett Yeah. Evelyn Waugh and Hemingway himself were both solidly upper class. I think we just have less classes these days. #litchat -1:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 writeonepub RT @Tamstarz: Has anyone ever revamped their MS after a critique? Would you be willing to be interviewed for my blog about your experience? #litchat -1:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010  
 JulieBritt We have more time-saving devices and such, but we're working harder to pay for them. #litchat -1:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010

bigreader101 #litchat 'The Ragged Trousers Philanthropists' by working class genius @jacobritari -1:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010

marirandomities @inkgypsy Hmm, you gave me something to think about. Thanks. :) \*kicks self in the butt for putting wip aside\* lol #litchat -1:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010

inkgypsy RT @agnieszkasshoes: @marirandomities welcome back! It's young debut novelists- today's host the v talented @jacobritari #litchat -1:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010

gamesafoot @wildbloom I feel I cannot write history with any authority if I don't research every minute detail. #litchat -1:19 PM Jul 30th, 2010

marirandomities @techtigger \*waves back\* Hi Angie! :D #litchat -1:19 PM Jul 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @JulieBritt lol thanks \*takes duncecap from Julie and places it on appropriately\* #litchat -1:19 PM Jul 30th, 2010

fadetheory Oh, yes! RT @wildbloom Researching for me is almost as addictive as writing. #litchat -1:19 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JLichtenberg RT @scifichat: Next #scifichat is August 6, 2-4pm ET. Topic: Mythology as Literature. #books #TV #film #culture #litchat #literature #mythology #gods -1:19 PM Jul 30th, 2010

wildbloom @gamesafoot Here, here. :) #litchat -1:19 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt @AuthorWilliam Better than tuning in at 4:58 like I often do. #litchat -1:19 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari Let me back off the class thing for now, it's getting a bit difficult to keep up #litchat -1:19 PM Jul 30th, 2010

DawnHerring RT @JulieBritt: We have more time-saving devices and such, but we're working harder to pay for them. #litchat -1:19 PM Jul 30th, 2010

wildbloom @fadetheory Glad I'm not the only one! #litchat -1:20 PM Jul 30th, 2010

inkgypsy @AuthorWilliam So sneaky! (Hope the anniversary was awesome) We have a young host today. :) #litchat -1:20 PM Jul 30th, 2010

David\_Heb @jacobritari Do you think your age had any bearing on the book you wanted to write? #litchat -1:20 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari Granted simply that leisure time is essential to a writer; but not in and of itself enough #litchat -1:21 PM Jul 30th, 2010

techtigger @marirandomities hello! I am mostly lurking today. \*lurk\* \*lurk\* #litchat -1:21 PM Jul 30th, 2010

robertjbennett What quality do you think is the most important in fiction? #litchat -1:21 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt @jacobritari That's the beauty of #litchat. 17 conversations going on at once. Even Sybil would have trouble keeping up. #litchat -1:21 PM Jul 30th, 2010

marirandomities Oh, agreed! RT @jacobritari: leisure time is essential to a writer; but not in and of itself enough #litchat -1:21 PM Jul 30th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @JulieBritt Good point. :- ) #litchat -1:21 PM Jul 30th, 2010

inkgypsy @marirandomities it was @hollylisle who got me thinking a few years ago - so many yrs = so many books - choose your passion. #litchat -1:21 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @David\_Heb Not as such. I do think my age shows in the book, in its obsession with certain ideas. #litchat -1:22 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt @jacobritari U also have to have something to say in that free time. Working and living provide that. #litchat -1:22 PM Jul 30th, 2010

marirandomities @techtigger Ok, I'll leave you to have fun at our expenses, heh. :P #litchat -1:22 PM Jul 30th, 2010
latta it would certainly be helpful in following convo if you deleted the #litchat during sidebar chatter and promoted afterhours -1:22 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @robertjbennett Sincerity. #litchat -1:22 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @JulieBritt I think you hit the nail on the head there. #litchat -1:22 PM Jul 30th, 2010
kashicat Also late to #litchat -1:22 PM Jul 30th, 2010
knittingmomof3 Popping in rather late, my apologies. I did so love Taroko Gorge I had to stop in. #litchat -1:23 PM Jul 30th, 2010
bigreader101 @robertjbennett Originality #litchat -1:23 PM Jul 30th, 2010
marirandomities @inkgypsy Yeah, but there's the leisure thing @jacobritari mentioned... As many of us I have the time issue to deal with. #litchat -1:23 PM Jul 30th, 2010
AuthorWilliam @inkgypsy Thanks! It was great :- ) #litchat -1:23 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari Backtracking a bit since I have a moment, I suppose it's sneaky of me to think of "upper class" in terms of peerage #litchat -1:23 PM Jul 30th, 2010
marirandomities @kashicat Hi'ya! :D #litchat -1:23 PM Jul 30th, 2010
robertjbennett @jacobritari I once read an interesting essay saying all fiction is inherently dishonest. We're always redirection the audience's...#litchat -1:24 PM Jul 30th, 2010
inkgypsy @marirandomities HL has been ill recently & still inspiring said: what if THIS is as good as it gets from now on? Write good stuff. #litchat -1:24 PM Jul 30th, 2010
agnieszkasshoes @jacobritari which ideas? #litchat -1:24 PM Jul 30th, 2010
gamesafoot @marirandomities I take my writing everywhere I go: my moleskine is full of scribbles. that's how I'm dealing with the time issue. #litchat -1:24 PM Jul 30th, 2010
indiepride RT @knittingmomof3: Popping in rather late, my apologies. I did so love Taroko Gorge I had to stop in. #litchat -1:24 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @knittingmomof3 Great to see you! #litchat -1:24 PM Jul 30th, 2010
danish_novelist @robertjbennett The most important in writing is the voice of the writer. You should sense that you're reading something original #litchat -1:24 PM Jul 30th, 2010
robertjbennett @jacobritari attention and withholding information, and essentially lying. How does one parse sincerity from so much artifice? #litchat -1:24 PM Jul 30th, 2010
LitChat If you have a question for our guest host, begin the question with his name. Like this: @jacobritari. May help direct the convo. #litchat -1:25 PM Jul 30th, 2010
bigreader101 RT @danish_novelist: @robertjbennett The most important in writing is the voice of the writer. You should sense that you're reading something original #litchat -1:25 PM Jul 30th, 2010
gamesafoot @jacobritari Upper class and peerage are not necessarily the same thing. Peerage deals with the titled. #litchat -1:25 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @agnieszkasshoes Whether God "exists;" cigarettes & alcohol #litchat -1:25 PM Jul 30th, 2010
agnieszkasshoes @jacobritari leisure time can be a DISadvantage sometimes - can lead to complacency. Grabbing precious moments can focus the mind #litchat -1:25 PM Jul 30th, 2010
robertjbennett @danish_novelist I agree. The voice is usually what I'm immediately looking for. #litchat -1:25 PM Jul 30th, 2010
marirandomities @inkgypsy Doing my best on the "good stuff" part. Always learning. ;) #litchat -1:25 PM Jul 30th, 2010

robertjbennett RT @danish_novelist: @robertjbennett The most important in writing is the voice of the writer. You should sense that you're reading something original #litchat -1:26 PM Jul 30th, 2010
inkgypsy @marirandomities I think I missed the original tweet. I don't see writing as a leisure thing. I wouldn't have time for it otherwise #litchat -1:26 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @gamesafoot Yeah, you're right basically. #litchat -1:26 PM Jul 30th, 2010
David_Heb @robertjbennett @jacobritari Couldn't it be said, though, that fiction is honest about its dishonesty? #litchat -1:26 PM Jul 30th, 2010
gamesafoot @jacobritari Do you feel any pressure to match or surpass the success of your first novel? #litchat -1:26 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @robertjbennett That's an interesting tack. See what you make of this: #litchat -1:26 PM Jul 30th, 2010
knittingmomof3 @jacobritari "Whether God "exists;" cigarettes & alcohol" Excellent point, that did appear, looking back, age specific. #litchat -1:26 PM Jul 30th, 2010
danish_novelist @robertjbennett If fiction is dishonest, then every dream ever dreamed is dishonest as well #litchat -1:26 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @robertjbennett I tend to divide writers of "artifice" (Flaubert, Nabokov) from authors who seem as if #litchat -1:26 PM Jul 30th, 2010
marirandomities @gamesafoot That's a great way! Since I'm too visual, many times I'm blocked until I find a fitting image to the story (short ones) #litchat -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010
robertjbennett @David_Heb Possibly. Telling the truth through lies and all that. #litchat -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @robertjbennett they need to communicate their ideas no matter the medium (Dickens, Dostoyevsky) #litchat -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010
JonBrazerEnt RT @scifichat: Next #scifichat is August 6, 2-4pm ET. Topic: Mythology as Literature. #books #TV #film #culture #litchat #literature #mythology #gods -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010
agnieszkasshoes @jacobritari interesting - my teenage characters all obsess about exactly those things as my readers will attest :) #litchat -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @robertjbennett and whose style can even suffer as a result. I love Flaubert #litchat -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010
inkgypsy @marirandomities Hard to be clear in 140 :) By good stuff meant what's important to YOU. What you wish at end you had spent time on #litchat -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010
bigreader101 If the ideas are brilliant and fresh the voice(s) can be uneven #litchat -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010
TopherGL RT @danish_novelist: @robertjbennett If fiction is dishonest, then every dream ever dreamed is dishonest as well #litchat -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010
DawnHerring @agnieszkasshoes I agree with the assessment of grabbing precious moments focuses the mind. #litchat -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010
JulieBritt @agnieszkasshoes As a journalist, I do my best work on deadline, but writing fiction requires me to enter a zone, and it's harder. #litchat -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010
robertjbennett @danish_novelist Relating the dream to the audience may be the dishonest part, is what the essay claimed. #litchat -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @robertjbennett but I'd take the likes of Dostoyevsky over him any day. #litchat -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010
techtigger @inkgypsy I agree, my leisure time is not spent writing. I've done some of my better work over a 30 min. writing sprint at lunch #litchat -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010

marirandomities @gamesafoot But otherwise I try to do more or less like you. (not as effectively, it seems, heh) #litchat -1:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010

knittingmomof3 @jacobritari swooned when you mentioned Flaubert and Nabokov. Yes, my age shows through my reading. #litchat -1:28 PM Jul 30th, 2010

marirandomities @inkgypsy Ah, cannot agree more! :D #litchat -1:28 PM Jul 30th, 2010

robynmcintyre @goodlaura No, or I'd NEVER get any work done. You should ask @AuthorWilliam - he's knows ALL the chats for writers. #litchat #scifichat -1:36 PM Jul 30th, 2010

marirandomities @gamesafoot @techtigger Even in the past, many great writers had day jobs. I don't think it's a modern thing. #litchat -1:36 PM Jul 30th, 2010

danish\_novelist @JulieBritt That's exactly it. You need to enter the zone when you write fiction. And you can't do that every time you want #litchat -1:36 PM Jul 30th, 2010

DawnHerring I don't think writing fiction is necessarily deceptive when you are aware of themes involved, sharing your heart through character. #litchat -1:36 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari Dostoyevsky v. Turgenev is really the perfect example. #litchat -1:36 PM Jul 30th, 2010

inkgypsy @marirandomities Not to be contentious but studies show creativity happens best during -not leisure- but repetitive activities. #litchat -1:37 PM Jul 30th, 2010

robertjbennett @TopherGL There were 2 I read at once, 1 on songs, 1 on stories. This is the song one - <http://tinyurl.com/26vw9gw> #litchat -1:37 PM Jul 30th, 2010

robertjbennett @TopherGL I sort of feel it can be applied to all arts, really. #litchat -1:37 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari Dostoyevsky said: "The thought (of how I live and work) would kill Turgenev." #litchat -1:37 PM Jul 30th, 2010

DawnHerring RT @jacobritari: @robertjbennett Maybe this fits: some authors view their characters more as real people, less as pawns. #litchat -1:37 PM Jul 30th, 2010

TopherGL @robertjbennett TY much. #litchat -1:37 PM Jul 30th, 2010

kriheli @JulieBritt @danish\_novelist man, do i ever need to enter that same zone. #litchat -1:37 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt @jacobritari Aha. You're the one keeping our employment numbers down. I tried writing after a layoff; had time, couldn't focus. #litchat -1:37 PM Jul 30th, 2010

marirandomities @inkgypsy Really? That's new info for me. Curious... #litchat -1:37 PM Jul 30th, 2010

PitchMyNovel RT @danish\_novelist: @robertjbennett Forgive me but that essay sounds like it's written by an unemployed academic in dire need of a French massage :-)) #litchat -1:37 PM Jul 30th, 2010

knittingmomof3 Two more of my favourites. @jacobritari Dostoyevsky v. Turgenev is really the perfect example. #litchat -1:38 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari But yeah, I think there's a consensus here that work of some sort is good for writers. #litchat -1:38 PM Jul 30th, 2010

lizb1987 RT @jacobritari: @robertjbennett Maybe this fits: some authors view their characters more as real people, less as pawns. #litchat -1:38 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari I'm losing the connection with age though. I shouldn't have brought class into it. #litchat -1:39 PM Jul 30th, 2010

TopherGL @jacobritari So what does a published 23-year-old work on next? Do you feel more pressure, less? #litchat -1:39 PM Jul 30th, 2010

agnieszkasshoes @JulieBritt excellent plan - I wrote one book (97k words) listening to just 3 albums. tedious but it worked :) #litchat -1:39 PM Jul 30th, 2010
agnieszkasshoes @DawnHerring yes! #litchat -1:39 PM Jul 30th, 2010
techtigger @jacobritari that's how I see them, as people, & try to think of how a real person would react - w/pawns, you don't care so much #litchat -1:39 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari Nabokov especially, who wrote that chilling book about chess (The Defense), I think is the figure of the manipulative author. #litchat -1:39 PM Jul 30th, 2010
bigreader101 But 'Crime and Punishment' is simply better manipulation than Turgenev @jacobritari #litchat -1:39 PM Jul 30th, 2010
robynmcintyre @jacobritari Writers get a lot out of observation. If we aren't where we can observe others, then what will we write about? #litchat -1:40 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @TopherGL Oh, I'm sitting on a stack of unpublished stuff. I suffer from Publisher's, not Writer's Block #litchat -1:40 PM Jul 30th, 2010
TopherGL @jacobritari I think that dude who wrote the Bible is the worst offender. #litchat -1:40 PM Jul 30th, 2010
danish_novelist @inkgypsy @marirandomities In that case all writers should watch reality shows 24/7 #litchat -1:40 PM Jul 30th, 2010
TopherGL RT @jacobritari: @TopherGL Oh, Im sitting on a stack of unpublished stuff. I suffer from Publishers, not Writers Block #litchat -1:40 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari I could go on about the ending of Crime & Punishment all day. But I don't think it's doing what most people say. #litchat -1:40 PM Jul 30th, 2010
LitChat Don't forget to write a literary hoedown verse about young authors for @jacobritari contest: See <a href="http://bit.ly/aUHP7F">http://bit.ly/aUHP7F</a> #litchat -1:41 PM Jul 30th, 2010
JulieBritt Just heard a coworker's bro-in-law died in sleep at age 51. We think we've got time to write "someday", but you never know. #litchat -1:41 PM Jul 30th, 2010
DawnHerring @agnieszkasshoes Journaling sessions help me to focus as a writer; setting goals, having broader picture. #litchat -1:41 PM Jul 30th, 2010
JulieBritt RT @LitChat: Dont forget to write a literary hoedown verse about young authors for @jacobritari contest: See <a href="http://bit.ly/aUHP7F">http://bit.ly/aUHP7F</a> #litchat -1:41 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari Jesus Christ is it 4:41 already!? I feel like about two minutes passed #litchat -1:41 PM Jul 30th, 2010
marirandomities LOL RT @jacobritari: @TopherGL Oh, Im sitting on a stack of unpublished stuff. I suffer from Publishers, not Writers Block #litchat -1:41 PM Jul 30th, 2010
CarolyBurnsBass @jacobritari The unpublished stuff you're sitting on: Blocked from where to send it, or blocked from fear of sending, or what? #litchat -1:42 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @TopherGL "It was cunning of God to learn Greek and cunning of Him not to learn it better." -- Nietzsche #litchat -1:42 PM Jul 30th, 2010
latta @jacobritari i respectfully disagree with your underlying position but will let it rest. #litchat -1:42 PM Jul 30th, 2010
kriheli tweets and time flies in #litchat -1:42 PM Jul 30th, 2010
unbridledbooks @jacobritari It always goes so fast! #litchat -1:43 PM Jul 30th, 2010
gamesafoot @jacobritari When #litchat is good, time flies. This one has been good. #litchat -1:43 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @CarolyBurnsBass Blocked because it takes people ten years to do everything in the pub. industry. Second book with the agent now... #litchat -1:43 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt @agnieszkasshoes I have more George Strait than anything on my iPod. Not sure that's conducive to writing. Need to diversify. #litchat -1:43 PM Jul 30th, 2010

marirandomities @danish\_novelist If I watch reality shows for more than 5 mins I might hit the news with my death not my writing, lol. @inkgyppy #litchat -1:43 PM Jul 30th, 2010

bigreader101 RT @latta: @jacobritari i respectfully disagree with your underlying position but will let it rest. #litchat -1:43 PM Jul 30th, 2010

marirandomities RT @LitChat: Dont forget to write a literary hoedown verse about young authors for @jacobritari contest: See <http://bit.ly/aUHP7F> #litchat -1:43 PM Jul 30th, 2010

gamesafoot @JulieBritt I listen to Victorian music when I'm writing on my Victorian novel...it helps with the mood. #litchat -1:43 PM Jul 30th, 2010

LitChat @jacobritari Can you tell us a bit about your journey in writing and then to publication with TAKARO GORGE? #litchat -1:44 PM Jul 30th, 2010

unbridledbooks RT @LitChat: Dont forget to write a literary hoedown verse about young authors for @jacobritari contest: See <http://bit.ly/aUHP7F> #litchat -1:44 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @latta Wait which position? Maybe you're right. I might have accidentally tagged you for someone else #litchat -1:44 PM Jul 30th, 2010

robertjbennett #litchat often seems to need about 30 mins to really get going. It always feels like we're in the thick of the good stuff when it ends. -1:44 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt @kriheli At least Twitter held up today. So far. #litchat -1:44 PM Jul 30th, 2010

TopherGL RT Seconded @LitChat: @jacobritari Can you tell us a bit about your journey in writing and then to publication with TAKARO GORGE? #litchat -1:44 PM Jul 30th, 2010

marirandomities Yes pls. RT @LitChat: @jacobritari Can you tell us a bit about your journey in writing and then to publication with TAKARO GORGE? #litchat -1:44 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari Well, I can stick around a bit longer really #litchat -1:44 PM Jul 30th, 2010

CarolyBurnsBass Toche. RT @jacobritari: @CarolyBurnsBass Blocked because it takes people ten years to do everything in the pub. industry. #litchat -1:45 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari Journey? Maybe it will be most practical to cut straight to how I got published: #litchat -1:45 PM Jul 30th, 2010

agnieszkasshoes @JulieBritt :) It can help to have different moods of music for different characters if you're using different points of view #litchat -1:45 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari I got lucky. Got in touch with an old writing teacher who knew an agent. #litchat -1:45 PM Jul 30th, 2010

LitChat Excellent! We love it when guest hosts go overtime. RT @jacobritari: Well, I can stick around a bit longer really #litchat -1:45 PM Jul 30th, 2010

WriterCLKelly Just realized I'm missing #litchat tonight :( I'm at work, will have to read the transcript later this evening :) -1:45 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari As far as I can see, the industry is broken now. Agents, editors deluged with so much garabage it's #litchat -1:46 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari a surprise anything good gets through. #litchat -1:46 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt @agnieszkasshoes Then I'm all set if I want to write a western. #litchat -1:46 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari So--my advice to writers: pray if you believe in God. If not maybe sleep with someone. #litchat -1:46 PM Jul 30th, 2010

TopherGL @jacobritari When I interned for lit agency, the best stuff was maybe half as good as Taroko Gorge. That's being generous. #litchat -1:47 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt @jacobritari Yes. Agents' blogs are full of anecdotes about the crud they get. #litchat -1:47 PM Jul 30th, 2010

dazydaywriter #FF thanks to so many today! Welcome kindred spirits to www.SunnyRoomStudio.com -- stop by, say hello soon #amwriting #litchat -1:47 PM Jul 30th, 2010

TopherGL RT @jacobritari: So--my advice to writers: pray if you believe in God. If not maybe sleep with someone. #litchat -1:47 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @TopherGL Thanks :- ) #litchat -1:47 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt @jacobritari Are you available? #litchat -1:47 PM Jul 30th, 2010

CarolyBurnsBass Which worked for you? RT @jacobritari: So--my advice to writers: pray if you believe in God. If not maybe sleep with someone. #litchat -1:48 PM Jul 30th, 2010

kriheli @jacobritari @JulieBritt get a room. haha. #litchat -1:48 PM Jul 30th, 2010

unbridledbooks RT @jacobritari: So--my advice to writers: pray if you believe in God. If not maybe sleep with someone. #litchat -1:48 PM Jul 30th, 2010

unbridledbooks @JulieBritt Ha! Don't believe in God? #litchat -1:48 PM Jul 30th, 2010

TopherGL RT Classy @JulieBritt: @jacobritari Are you available? #litchat -1:48 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @JulieBritt In all seriousness, writers usually lack the power to help writers. Sleep with an agent. #litchat -1:49 PM Jul 30th, 2010

agnieszkasshoes @JulieBritt and it'd be a fascinating thriller on the mean streets of Baltimore! #litchat -1:49 PM Jul 30th, 2010

robertjbennett My agent actually got a letter requesting that I agent a screenplay. I am not in any way an agent. Just an ex of the stuff they get.#litchat -1:49 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt @unbridledbooks Yes I do. But I'm practicing my cougar routine so I can write a memoir about my conquests. #litchat -1:49 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @CarolyBurnsBass Meh, I believe. I prayed. The delightful intellectual fraud of being a Christian #litchat -1:50 PM Jul 30th, 2010

kriheli RT @jacobritari: @JulieBritt In all seriousness, writers usually lack the power to help writers. Sleep with an agent. #litchat -1:50 PM Jul 30th, 2010

robertjbennett Think it was Orwell who said the only way to make money from publishing is marry the owner's daughter. #litchat -1:50 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @CarolyBurnsBass is you can always say it was "God's will" no matter what #litchat -1:50 PM Jul 30th, 2010

kriheli @JulieBritt @agnieszkasshoes what mean streets in baltimore? haha. #litchat -1:50 PM Jul 30th, 2010

ingypsy @marirandomities It's interesting -If stuck on WIP best do repetitive task (walk, dishes, clean, shower) Helps brain recalibrate #litchat -1:50 PM Jul 30th, 2010

cindymariej RT @robertjbennett: Think it was Orwell who said the only way to make money from publishing is marry the owner's daughter. #litchat -1:51 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt @jacobritari Most of the agents I know are women. Not ready to switch teams for my art. #litchat -1:51 PM Jul 30th, 2010

fadetheory RT @jacobritari: In all seriousness, writers usually lack the power to help writers. Sleep with an agent. #litchat -1:51 PM Jul 30th, 2010

techtigger \*rotflmao!\* RT @JulieBritt: @jacobritari Most of the agents I know are women. Not ready to switch teams for my art. #litchat -1:51 PM Jul 30th, 2010

ingypsy @danish\_novelist LOL No your BODY is supposed to do something repetitive - free your brain from going over same groove. #litchat -1:52 PM Jul 30th, 2010

marirandomities @inkgypsy Ahh, now I get what you mean! Seems my brain needs some recalibration, lol. I agree, clears up mind. ;) #litchat -1:52 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari So, being serious again--massage any and all personal connections. It really helps to get that foot in the door #litchat -1:52 PM Jul 30th, 2010
JulieBritt Ha. Pandora's serving up some George right now. #litchat -1:52 PM Jul 30th, 2010
kriheli #litchat is getting saucy. -1:52 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari But I would advise *against* getting an MFA. That money is better spent in bribes. #litchat -1:52 PM Jul 30th, 2010
JulieBritt @jacobritari LOL. You said massage. #litchat -1:52 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari Instead study something other than writing so you have something to write about. #litchat -1:52 PM Jul 30th, 2010
inkgypsy @marirandomities Believe it has function similar to REM sleep/dreaming. helps brain process overload so can handle #litchat -1:53 PM Jul 30th, 2010
JulieBritt @jacobritari Been there, done that. Getting MFA, not agent stalking. #litchat -1:53 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @JulieBritt Nonsexual massages for female agents? #litchat -1:53 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari I hope this doesn't offend anyone with/getting an MFA, but try this thought experiment: #litchat -1:54 PM Jul 30th, 2010
CarolyBurnsBass LOL. God put brains in our head to keep us from being Godzies. RT @jacobritari: you can always say it was "Gods will" #litchat -1:54 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari You're a great writer. What are the odds you'll move to the middle of Iowa and spend all day teaching kids... #litchat -1:54 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari ...to grow up and become more successful than you? #litchat -1:54 PM Jul 30th, 2010
TopherGL RT You know, you can get handheld devices for this type of thing. @jacobritari: @JulieBritt Nonsexual massages for female agents? #litchat -1:54 PM Jul 30th, 2010
marirandomities @inkgypsy Yup. When I *had* a writing schedule I did exactly that: repetitive stuff first, then creative stuff. Was great! #litchat -1:55 PM Jul 30th, 2010
kriheli RT @jacobritari: You're a great writer. What are the odds you'll move to the middle of Iowa and spend all day teaching kids... #litchat -1:55 PM Jul 30th, 2010
DawnHerring @inkgypsy It gives your mind time to ruminate and digest things. #litchat -1:55 PM Jul 30th, 2010
marirandomities Now you're talking. RT @jacobritari: massage any and all personal connections. It really helps to get that foot in the door #litchat -1:56 PM Jul 30th, 2010
CarolyBurnsBass Successful at what? What is success to a writer? RT @jacobritari: ...to grow up and become more successful than you? #litchat -1:56 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari I am very interested to see where this e-publishing and Evil Wylie business goes though. #litchat -1:56 PM Jul 30th, 2010
emilymandel @jacobritari I don't have an MFA either. My feeling is you only need one if you want to teach creative writing. Also, hi. #litchat -1:56 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari If everything is just out there, and it's sink or swim, who will swim? #litchat -1:57 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @emilymandel Oh hi Emily! Round of applause everyone. You'll excuse me if I'm starting to burn out... #litchat -1:58 PM Jul 30th, 2010
JulieBritt @inkgypsy I've recently started cross stitching again. Ideas flow when I'm counting the tiny squares and stitching Xs. #litchat -1:58 PM Jul 30th, 2010

gamesafoot Good-bye, Litchat. See y'all next week. #litchat -1:58 PM Jul 30th, 2010
CarolyBurnsBass The ones with the strongest strokes. RT @jacobritari: If everything is just out there, and its sink or swim, who will swim? #litchat -1:58 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @gamesafoot Great having you, take care! #litchat -1:58 PM Jul 30th, 2010
DawnHerring @JulieBritt I assume you keep a pad and pen nearby. #litchat -1:58 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @CarolyBurnsBass I guess I define success as money. It's great to think there's a community of authors all helping each other #litchat -1:59 PM Jul 30th, 2010
knittingmomof3 @jacobritari Hopefully those who swim will be publishing intellectual works of literature. It is my hope anyway. #litchat -1:59 PM Jul 30th, 2010
CarolyBurnsBass And the greatest endurance. @jacobritari: If everything is just out there, and its sink or swim, who will swim? #litchat -1:59 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @CarolyBurnsBass I tend to think writers are like savannah predators fighting over limited gazelles. #litchat -1:59 PM Jul 30th, 2010
marirandomities @gamesafoot Bye! Have a great weekend. :) #litchat -1:59 PM Jul 30th, 2010
JulieBritt @DawnHerring Good idea. I should keep my digital recorder handy so I can stitch and write at the same time. #litchat -1:59 PM Jul 30th, 2010
inkgypsy @DawnHerring Yes. :) #litchat Important to writing is let brain work as it is designed to. Need repetitive function just like need dreams. -1:59 PM Jul 30th, 2010
JulieBritt @jacobritari Treading water here. #litchat -2:00 PM Jul 30th, 2010
LitChat Thanks for contributing today. RT @gamesafoot: Good-bye, Litchat. See yall next week. #litchat -2:00 PM Jul 30th, 2010
AuthorWilliam Thanks for this great discussion, everyone. I've just been a lurker today but enjoyed it. Thanks @jacobritari & continued success! #litchat -2:00 PM Jul 30th, 2010
techtigger Nice ;) RT @jacobritari: @CarolyBurnsBass I tend to think writers are like savannah predators fighting over limited gazelles. #litchat -2:01 PM Jul 30th, 2010
inkgypsy @JulieBritt Funny how that works. I do believe works on same level as dreaming. Studies show people kept from dreaming go nuts. #litchat -2:01 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari @AuthorWilliam Thank you! Take care. #litchat -2:01 PM Jul 30th, 2010
DawnHerring @inkgypsy When you work hard mentally, doing those repetitive things is actually comforting, gives the mind a break. #litchat -2:01 PM Jul 30th, 2010
LitChat @AuthorWilliam See you next week. #litchat -2:01 PM Jul 30th, 2010
jacobritari Woof! I'm fried. Cigarette break, but I'll check in in a few if anyone is still around. It's been real! #litchat -2:02 PM Jul 30th, 2010
DawnHerring @inkgypsy I'm also faithful to keep a daily dream journal, which only enhances the writing and dream benefits. #litchat -2:02 PM Jul 30th, 2010
techtigger @jacobritari thanks for guest hosting! Was certainly a lively litchat! :) #litchat -2:02 PM Jul 30th, 2010
JulieBritt @LitChat @jacobritari Thanks for the chat. For the record, I really don't proposition strangers on the Internet. Rarely. #litchat -2:03 PM Jul 30th, 2010
LitChat @jacobritari Which is why we ask authors for only an hour. It can be pretty demanding here. Thanks so much for being with us. #litchat -2:03 PM Jul 30th, 2010
marirandomities @LitChat @jacobritari Thanks for the great chat! #litchat -2:03 PM Jul 30th, 2010
inkgypsy @DawnHerring Agree - like when exercising. doing same over & over causes stress/cramps unless balance it out & stretch. #litchat -2:03 PM Jul 30th, 2010

kriheli awesome session! #litchat if any of you guys are looking to break in2 a litmag, check out my new lit journal @splitquarterly launching 2011 -2:04 PM Jul 30th, 2010

LitChat While @jacobritari is having his smoke, let's give him a HUGE round of {{{APPLAUSE}}} for his awesome contributions today. #litchat -2:04 PM Jul 30th, 2010

TopherGL Thanks for chat. #litchat -2:04 PM Jul 30th, 2010

kriheli @jacobritari @LitChat (APPLAUSE) great session. #litchat -2:05 PM Jul 30th, 2010

CarolyBurnsBass @jacobritari: I don't do cigarettes, but I'll join you for some hookah. #litchat -2:05 PM Jul 30th, 2010

kriheli a birdie told me if this tweet gets RT'd, someone may win books from atwood:  
<http://twitter.com/SPLITquarterly/status/19853067084> #litchat -2:06 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt @gamesafoot Makes sense. Based on the subject of my novel, I should listen to more Southern gospel and contemporary Christian. #litchat -2:06 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt RT @kriheli: a birdie told me if this tweet gets RT'd, someone may win books from atwood:  
<http://twitter.com/SPLITquarterly/status/19853067084> #litchat -2:08 PM Jul 30th, 2010

StayAdventurous RT @jacobritari So--my advice to writers: pray if you believe in God. If not maybe sleep with someone. #litchat -2:09 PM Jul 30th, 2010

inkgypsy @DawnHerring Dreams & writing - that's a huge (great) subject. #litchat -2:09 PM Jul 30th, 2010

marirandomities To the #fridayflash #litchat & #scifichat crowd, a different kind of children's book: THE AINU AND THE BEAR [http://bit.ly/bkrev\\_ainu](http://bit.ly/bkrev_ainu) #kidlit -2:09 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt @LitChat Clap, clap, clap, clap, yeeha. #litchat -2:10 PM Jul 30th, 2010

LitChat Be sure to come back next week for MEN IN LOVE. Friday's guest host is @JeffreyStepakoff, author of FIREWORKS OVER TOCCA. #litchat -2:10 PM Jul 30th, 2010

snamarcelo Carpe Diem is the motto for today! Entered a caption contest for the New Yorker and did #litchat for the first time =) -2:11 PM Jul 30th, 2010

CarolyBurnsBass Craig! RT @StayAdventurous: RT @jacobritari So--my advice to writers: pray if you believe in God. If not maybe sleep with someone. #litchat -2:11 PM Jul 30th, 2010

CarolyBurnsBass @snamarcelo Congrats on a fantastic #FridayFinish. #litchat -2:11 PM Jul 30th, 2010

StayAdventurous Good point. RT @jacobritari Instead study something other than writing so you have something to write about. #litchat -2:12 PM Jul 30th, 2010

latta @jacobritari anyway--it is too difficult to have that conversation over the twitter anyway. thank you for being at #litchat -2:12 PM Jul 30th, 2010

DawnHerring @inkgypsy Yes, it is. I wonder if some novels started as dreams. Or short stories for that matter. #litchat -2:12 PM Jul 30th, 2010

kriheli SPLIT seeks to discover and publish really great stuff for its inaugural issue debuting in January 2011. @splitquarterly #litchat -2:12 PM Jul 30th, 2010

kriheli Stories, photos, art, poetry - give us compelling creative content and it we'll find it a home in our spankin' new quarterly #litchat -2:13 PM Jul 30th, 2010

JulieBritt RT @kriheli: Stories, photos, art, poetry - give us compelling creative content and it we'll find it a home in our spankin' new quarterly #litchat -2:13 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari Okay, I'm back. Still looks pretty lively. Big thanks to everyone who signed off! #litchat -2:14 PM Jul 30th, 2010

agnieszkasshoes RT @kriheli: SPLIT seeks to discover and publish really great stuff for its inaugural issue debuting in January 2011. @splitquarterly #litchat -2:14 PM Jul 30th, 2010

dosankodebbie RT @marirandomities: A different kind of children's book: THE AINU AND THE BEAR  
[http://bit.ly/bkrev\\_ainu](http://bit.ly/bkrev_ainu) #kidlit #litchat #indigenous -2:14 PM Jul 30th, 2010

CarolyBurnsBass RT @kriheli: SPLIT seeks to discover and publish really great stuff for inaugural issue debuting in January 2011. @splitquarterly #litchat -2:15 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari Something that interestingly didn't come up is the glut of young authors you have today. #litchat -2:15 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari I shouldn't talk smack about my contemporaries, but I do think there's perhaps an unhealthy obsession with youth these days #litchat -2:15 PM Jul 30th, 2010

StayAdventurous @CarolyBurnsBass hola #litchat -2:16 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari because senior editors&etc. feel out of touch in a troubled industry. #litchat -2:16 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @latta Thank \_you\_! Still don't remember what we disagreed about. It was probably no big deal. #litchat -2:16 PM Jul 30th, 2010

kriheli @jacobritari agreed. i think publishers r just looking to invest & build careers. its a desperation tactic cuz industry is flailing #litchat -2:17 PM Jul 30th, 2010

buffysquirrel RT @kriheli: SPLIT seeks to discover and publish really great stuff for its inaugural issue debuting in January 2011. @splitquarterly #litchat -2:17 PM Jul 30th, 2010

rosedeniz RT @kriheli: SPLIT seeks to discover and publish great stuff for its inaugural issue debuting in January 2011. @splitquarterly #litchat -2:17 PM Jul 30th, 2010

CarolyBurnsBass @jacobritari When you say glut, are you referring to writers w/ publish-ready work, or just too many producing a glut of stuff. #litchat -2:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari Is Brett Easton Ellis old enough that I can take a shot at him without it looking like sour grapes? #litchat -2:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari He went to a college a lot like mine and wrote about young people, it seems to me without sufficient perspective. #litchat -2:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @CarolyBurnsBass More the quantity of authors I suppose, although I imagine there's pressure on them to write that second book. #litchat -2:18 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @kriheli Yeah, it bears repeating. Very hard times for publishers. #litchat -2:19 PM Jul 30th, 2010

StayAdventurous 2nd? Still on my 1st. RT @jacobritari @CarolyBurnsBass More the quantity of authors, although I imagine there's pressure on them #litchat -2:21 PM Jul 30th, 2010

LitChat RT @kriheli: SPLIT seeks to discover and publish really great stuff for inaugural issue debuting in January 2011. @splitquarterly #litchat -2:22 PM Jul 30th, 2010

LitChat @jacobritari Can you give us a hint about your second book? #litchat -2:23 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @LitChat The Seven Samurai meets Bridge on The River Kwai. #litchat -2:23 PM Jul 30th, 2010

robertjbennett Posted a bit on my blog about the sincerity discussion from today's #litchat :  
<http://tinyurl.com/2bc6yxa> -2:24 PM Jul 30th, 2010

TaoJoannes @kriheli if the industry keeps doing "biz as usual" in a changing environment, result is death #litchat -2:25 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @robertjbennett Interesting! On the subject of Forster though #litchat -2:26 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @robertjbennett I think "A Passage to India" is sincere, in that it doesn't attempt to bring things to a conclusion. #litchat -2:26 PM Jul 30th, 2010

kriheli @taojoannes agreed. publishing needs to shake things up. i've some ideas, if they want to talk. until then, they can stay oldschoool #litchat -2:26 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @robertjbennett It's central plot device is a red herring. It manipulates you while you read #litchat -2:26 PM Jul 30th, 2010

jacobritari @robertjbennett but leaves you to make up your own mind. If that makes sense. #litchat -2:27 PM Jul 30th, 2010