



LitChat September 24, 2010

Topic of the Week: Second Chances

Guest Host: Charlene Ann Baumbich

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

Guest host: @TwinkleChar

LitChat Welcome to #litchat. Today we have author @TwinkleChar as guest host. Please join us now for the next hour. #litchat -1:01 PM Sep 24th, 2010

J_GriffinB Going to #litchat, but only to monitor. ADD hath its hidden advantages, don't you know. #scifichat -1:02 PM Sep 24th, 2010

sticky_t Hi, guys! Here for @LitChat. :) #litchat -1:02 PM Sep 24th, 2010

robynmcintyre @scifichat Thanks for great chat - interesting questions. Heading to #litchat, then art, then web design. It's bn real; hv a gr8 #scifichat -1:03 PM Sep 24th, 2010

LitChat Please introduce yourself to @TwinkleChar, but hold all off-topic URLs, hashtags and pitches until after #litchat -1:03 PM Sep 24th, 2010

elizabethkarr @TwinkleChar @litchat Poking my head in 4 writing wisdom from great room! #litchat -1:04 PM Sep 24th, 2010

LitChat The easiest way to follow #litchat is at <http://bit.ly/MH5Qs>. Login w/ Twitter and you're in the room. -1:04 PM Sep 24th, 2010

CathrynLouis Hi! Cathryn Louis joining today. #litchat -1:04 PM Sep 24th, 2010

wendykwebb Hi Char! Finally finding time for Litchat after a full summer of book touring. Happy to be back. #litchat -1:05 PM Sep 24th, 2010

LitChat Here's a bit out today's guest host, @TwinkleChar. She's not only a novelist, but a speaker and humorist. #litchat -1:05 PM Sep 24th, 2010

J_GriffinB Getting my Twinkle recharged. #litchat -1:05 PM Sep 24th, 2010

LitChat @wendykwebb Great to have you back, Wendy. Hope the book tour and promo is going well. #litchat -1:06 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar Whew! Made it! Using broadband card. Very windy here today. 1 min. to go and dropped down to sloooooow internet speed. #litchat -1:06 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar Excited to litchat it up! #litchat -1:07 PM Sep 24th, 2010

wendykwebb @LitChat It's going great and I met Char in Winona, MN on one of my stops. We had a fun evening. #litchat -1:07 PM Sep 24th, 2010

LitChat @TwinkleChar, would you please tell us a bit about your professional background that lead to your writing fiction. #litchat -1:07 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @wendykwebb WENDY! Will see you at Twin Cities Bookfest! #litchat -1:07 PM Sep 24th, 2010

AuthorWilliam Hooray for @TwinkleChar!!! :) #litchat -1:08 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @LitChat Wife. Mom. Den Mother. Few college classes & the luck of the Irish. Newspaper column, features, magazine columns then... #litchat -1:09 PM Sep 24th, 2010

rebeccablain #litchat lurking! -1:09 PM Sep 24th, 2010

wendykwebb @TwinkleChar Can't wait for it. With us on panels, it should be an interesting day. #litchat -1:09 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar ...Received letter from acquisitions editor asking if I wanted to write books. Six nonfictions later, received query about fiction. #litchat -1:09 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar Received query re fiction like this: call from editor friend at Guideposts Books (met through their licensing of nonfictions) 1/2 #litchat -1:11 PM Sep 24th, 2010

CarolyBurnsBass @TwinkleChar So the editors came asking after you, rather than you going after them? #litchat -1:11 PM Sep 24th, 2010

robynmcintyre RT @AuthorWilliam: Hooray for @TwinkleChar!!! :-) #litchat -1:11 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar She said was calling creative folks who liked to brainstorm. WANTED to know if had any ideas for senior citizens chars. #litchat -1:11 PM Sep 24th, 2010

elizabethkarr Let us know deets. Gr8t 4 U both RT @wendykwebb: @TwinkleChar Cant wait for it. With us on panels, it should be an interesting day. #litchat -1:11 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar Unbeknownst to her, had just lost dad, godmother and the REAL Dorothy. Talked about them, tears ...While talking, fictional Dorothy #litchat -1:12 PM Sep 24th, 2010

CathrynLouis You've had a interesting and varied career. How long from newspaper column to nonfiction query? #litchat -1:12 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar walked into my head, cloaked with real Dorothy's attributes. Crazy story, really. #litchat -1:13 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @CathrynLouis About 2 years. Didn't start writing till my forties. #litchat -1:13 PM Sep 24th, 2010

J_GriffinB @TwinkleChar The sane person in the land of the mad is... #litchat -1:14 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @CarolyBurnsBass Yes. Both for fiction and non. That is the benefit of getting ur words out there and fruits of small beginnings. #litchat -1:14 PM Sep 24th, 2010

MegWClayton Wishing 2 b @ #litchat instead of @ tax returns. Eliot quote - It is always fatal to have music or poetry interrupted. - sadly true of taxes -1:14 PM Sep 24th, 2010

CathrynLouis @TwinkleChar Yours is an inspiring story. I'm happy for your success. #litchat -1:15 PM Sep 24th, 2010

Elle_Bizzle Is there a literacy chat? #litchat would be super helpful! -1:15 PM Sep 24th, 2010

wendykwebb Agreed! RT @TwinkleChar: That is the benefit of getting ur words out there and fruits of small beginnings. #litchat -1:15 PM Sep 24th, 2010

AuthorWilliam RT @CathrynLouis: @TwinkleChar Yours is an inspiring story. I'm happy for your success. #litchat -1:15 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar If I missed a question, please repeat. Trying hard here, brows knit **slurps iced tea, scrolls ...** #litchat -1:15 PM Sep 24th, 2010

LitChat Yes, underway right now with author @TwinkleChar. RT @Elle_Bizzle: Is there a literacy chat? #litchat would be super helpful! #litchat -1:16 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @CathrynLouis Thank you! #litchat -1:16 PM Sep 24th, 2010

wendykwebb @TwinkleChar That's the problem. You need a little Jack in that tea. #litchat -1:16 PM Sep 24th, 2010

CathrynLouis @TwinkleChar Have you thought about fictionalizing your own story? #litchat -1:16 PM Sep 24th, 2010

JulieBritt Trying to do this via Blackberry in bed. Maybe I'll just eavesdrop today. #litchat -1:16 PM Sep 24th, 2010

elizabethkarr @TwinkleChar Your journey 2 career change would make good book. I'm guessing you've borrowed from it in your writing, yes? #litchat -1:17 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @wendykwebb BWAAAAAA-ha-ha-ha! Celebrated 65th B-day yesterday. It's possible I tried just a tad of that. :) #litchat -1:17 PM Sep 24th, 2010

sticky_t Haha, that's an idea! RT @CathrynLouis: @TwinkleChar Have you thought about fictionalizing your own story? #litchat -1:17 PM Sep 24th, 2010

AuthorWilliam @TwinkleChar Happy birthday! #litchat -1:18 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @CathrynLouis I have not thought about that. Chars who walk into my head are far more fascinating than me. #litchat -1:18 PM Sep 24th, 2010

J_GriffinB @TwinkleChar Happy Birthday. And now you can get those great prices others must wait years for. #litchat -1:18 PM Sep 24th, 2010

Elle_Bizzle Elle_Bizzle Elle Bizzle Is there a literacy chat? #litchat would be super helpful! #edchat -1:18 PM Sep 24th, 2010

wendykwebb I think Char's story would make a great book. Inspiring. #litchat -1:18 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @elizabethkarr Which career change you talkin'? Mom to author, or nonfiction to fiction? Released a nonfiction 1st yr too. #litchat -1:18 PM Sep 24th, 2010

sticky_t @TwinkleChar Yes, happy birthday! #litchat -1:18 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @J_GriffinB Yeah, baby! #litchat -1:19 PM Sep 24th, 2010

robynmcintyre RT @AuthorWilliam: @TwinkleChar Happy birthday! #litchat -1:19 PM Sep 24th, 2010

LitChat Can we all sing H*A*P*P*Y*!*B*!*R*T*H*D*A*Y to @TwinkleChar? #litchat -1:19 PM Sep 24th, 2010

CathrynLouis @TwinkleChar HBDTY! I feel that way too. I think my chars are far more interesting than me. #litchat -1:19 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @AuthorWilliam Thank you. Thank you to ALL happy birthday well wishers. Whoa! Room vibrating from all voices. Nice! #litchat -1:19 PM Sep 24th, 2010

PenHandler RT @LitChat: Can we all sing H*A*P*P*Y*!*B*!*R*T*H*D*A*Y to @TwinkleChar? #litchat -1:20 PM Sep 24th, 2010

andrea_desherb RT @LitChat: Can we all sing H*A*P*P*Y*!*B*!*R*T*H*D*A*Y to @TwinkleChar? #litchat -1:20 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @andrea_desherb Wowie! Music surrounds me, lifts me, makes my cheeks puffer fish out for the candles! #litchat -1:21 PM Sep 24th, 2010

sticky_t Ditto that. RT @CathrynLouis: @TwinkleChar HBDTY! I feel that way too. I think my chars are far more interesting than me. #litchat -1:21 PM Sep 24th, 2010

JulieBritt RT @LitChat: Can we all sing H*A*P*P*Y*!*B*!*R*T*H*D*A*Y to @TwinkleChar? #litchat -1:22 PM Sep 24th, 2010

J_GriffinB RT @LitChat: Can we all sing H*A*P*P*Y*!*B*!*R*T*H*D*A*Y to @TwinkleChar? #litchat -1:22 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar Key to writing: more guts than brains. #amwriting #litchat -1:22 PM Sep 24th, 2010

andrea_desherb @TwinkleChar :D Have a wonderful Birthday! #litchat -1:23 PM Sep 24th, 2010

elizabethkarr @TwinkleChar All of them. Wonderful the way you morphed yr talents into all noble jobs-mom, non-fic, fic, reinventing yrself! #litchat -1:23 PM Sep 24th, 2010

LitChat Let's talk a bit about your recent novels, the Snow Globe series. Where did you come up with the idea, both mystical and spiritual? #litchat -1:23 PM Sep 24th, 2010

CathrynLouis Tru dat !! RT @TwinkleChar: Key to writing: more guts than brains. #amwriting #litchat -1:23 PM Sep 24th, 2010

wendykwebb Amen. RT @TwinkleChar: Key to writing: more guts than brains. #amwriting #litchat -1:23 PM Sep 24th, 2010

robynmcintyre RT @TwinkleChar: Key to writing: more guts than brains. #amwriting #litchat -1:24 PM Sep 24th, 2010
elizabethkarr So true! Applies to #filmmaking & #life 2! :)RT @TwinkleChar: Key to writing: more guts than brains. #amwriting #litchat -1:24 PM Sep 24th, 2010
AuthorWilliam RT @TwinkleChar: Key to writing: more guts than brains. #amwriting #litchat -1:24 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @LitChat Friend gave me beautiful snowglobe, nativity scene, music. Had for years. One day accidentally knocked off desk, smashed. #litchat -1:24 PM Sep 24th, 2010
rebeccablain RT @TwinkleChar: Key to writing: more guts than brains. #amwriting #litchat -1:24 PM Sep 24th, 2010
CathrynLouis @TwinkleChar ouch. that must have hurt. #litchat -1:25 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar Manger broke loose, raced across floor in stream of sparkling water. First reaction: anger at me, broke ONE MORE THING I loved. #litchat -1:25 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar Next reaction: Whoa! Love is out of the globe. Of course! Imagination began to race. Holding breath ... Five story ideas! #litchat -1:26 PM Sep 24th, 2010
robynmcintyre @TwinkleChar Five? Holy crap! #litchat -1:27 PM Sep 24th, 2010
LitChat We've been talking all week about SECOND CHANCES. Where does the second chance theme come into your SNOW GLOBE series? #litchat -1:27 PM Sep 24th, 2010
latta @JulieBritt when I do #litchat by bb and use the hash to search I get "rate limited" and told to 'enhance my calm' -1:27 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @CathrynLouis Yes, it did. I never put it away after Christmas. Kept it out, turned it over, and on ... Stared. Dove in ... #litchat -1:27 PM Sep 24th, 2010
wendykwebb I love how present Char is in her life, drawing inspiration & meaning from everyday. Others don't look as deeply at everyday magic. #litchat -1:27 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @robynmcintyre Yes. Pitched five ideas and pub house offered contract for three. #litchat -1:27 PM Sep 24th, 2010
JulieBritt RT @TwinkleChar: Key to writing: more guts than brains. #amwriting #litchat -1:28 PM Sep 24th, 2010
AuthorWilliam @TwinkleChar I love that: 1) Sow strong emotional reaction 2) reap a harvest of unique compelling stories. #litchat -1:28 PM Sep 24th, 2010
CathrynLouis RT @AuthorWilliam: @TwinkleChar I love that: 1) Sow strong emotional reaction 2) reap a harvest of unique compelling stories. #litchat -1:28 PM Sep 24th, 2010
sticky_t Me too. @AuthorWilliam: @TwinkleChar I love that: 1) Sow strong emotional reaction 2) reap a harvest of unique compelling stories. #litchat -1:29 PM Sep 24th, 2010
robynmcintyre @TwinkleChar Could part of the "secret" to your success lie in being an amazing idea generator? #litchat -1:29 PM Sep 24th, 2010
J_GriffinB @wendykwebb Or if they do, they draw negative inferences from it. #litchat -1:29 PM Sep 24th, 2010
J_GriffinB Not everyone is wired for Joy. #litchat -1:29 PM Sep 24th, 2010
CathrynLouis @TwinkleChar So having written both, do you prefer fiction or nonfiction? #litchat -1:30 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @LitChat chars (most people?) have lost dreams, forgotten pleasures, feel they've fallen short. KEY: help each other refind, redeem #litchat -1:30 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @robynmcintyre Hm. Don't know about amazing, but I do get endless ideas. If never had new 1, cldn't live long enuf to write old 1s #litchat -1:31 PM Sep 24th, 2010

sticky_t @TwinkleChar I'm like that too - a big idea-generator. I have more in my head than on paper, lol. #litchat -1:32 PM Sep 24th, 2010
elizabethkarr True, but each is own electrician & can attempt re-wire to positive charge. RT @J_GriffinB: Not everyone is wired for Joy. #litchat -1:32 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @CathrynLouis Each have their place, but my heart is now with fiction. Can get to Big Truths in fiction when chasing stories. #litchat -1:32 PM Sep 24th, 2010
J_GriffinB @TwinkleChar instead of little facts you have to defend forever? #litchat -1:32 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @J_GriffinB Not exactly. Trying to find words ... #litchat -1:34 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @elizabethkarr Beautiful statement. #litchat -1:35 PM Sep 24th, 2010
CathrynLouis @TwinkleChar I see that - can write about "truths" without having to be constrained by "facts" #litchat -1:35 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar BINGO>>RT @CathrynLouis: @TwinkleChar I see that - can write about "truths" without having to be constrained by "facts" #litchat -1:35 PM Sep 24th, 2010
elizabethkarr Thank you. :) Like chars in fiction, in life I choose pro-active. RT @TwinkleChar: @elizabethkarr Beautiful statement. #litchat -1:36 PM Sep 24th, 2010
CarolyBurnsBass Yes! Fiction is. RT @CathrynLouis: can write about "truths" without having to be constrained by "facts" #litchat -1:36 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar Curiosity=my driving writerly force. Chars show up &I have to chase them to find out what makes them tick.Helps me understand me. #litchat -1:38 PM Sep 24th, 2010
CathrynLouis @TwinkleChar have you created characters outside of your experience? I'm asking because I just finished wrestling with one. #litchat -1:40 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar Everyone taking a nap after all the singing, or Twitter feed down? #litchat -1:40 PM Sep 24th, 2010
LitChat We've been talking about SECOND CHANCES all week. What second chances have you had in your life? #litchat -1:40 PM Sep 24th, 2010
deberryandgrant RT @TwinkleChar: Each have their place, but my heart is now with fiction. Can get to Big Truths in fiction when chasing stories. #litchat -1:41 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @CathrynLouis Totally. What do I know about a systems analyst or a ballet dancer? Good to learn, then get to heart-story. #litchat -1:41 PM Sep 24th, 2010
sticky_t Have to leave chat early today - thank you, @TwinkleChar for guest-hosting! :) #litchat -1:41 PM Sep 24th, 2010
deberryandgrant RT @TwinkleChar: I see that - can write about "truths" without having to be constrained by "facts" #litchat -1:41 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @sticky_t Get out their and GENERATE. I feel the burn ... #litchat -1:42 PM Sep 24th, 2010
deberryandgrant Sorry to be late...-(#litchat -1:42 PM Sep 24th, 2010
CathrynLouis RT @TwinkleChar: Totally. What do I know about a systems analyst or a ballet dancer? Good to learn, then get to heart-story. #litchat -1:42 PM Sep 24th, 2010
NewWritersClub I'm starting a new Twitter account (and associated FB) for New Writers Club, pls follow me to find new writers #litchat -1:42 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @LitChat You asking me, or general Q? #litchat -1:42 PM Sep 24th, 2010
allison_boyer RT @TwinkleChar Key to writing: more guts than brains. #amwriting #litchat -1:42 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @deberryandgrant Glad you're here! #litchat -1:43 PM Sep 24th, 2010

LitChat You, you, you! RT @TwinkleChar: @LitChat You asking me, or general Q? #litchat -1:43 PM Sep 24th, 2010
Shoegalsedgwick @LitChat second chance at marriage. That's mine. As well as second chance at degree in literature and art history #litchat -1:43 PM Sep 24th, 2010
Shoegalsedgwick @LitChat I'm a newbie so hello!! #litchat -1:44 PM Sep 24th, 2010
Toujours_Diva *singing* No, officer. I am not torturing a velociraptor. RT @LitChat Can we all sing H*A*P*P*Y*!*B*I*R*T*H*D*A*Y to @TwinkleChar? #litchat -1:44 PM Sep 24th, 2010
elizabethkarr @Shoegalsedgwick Congrats on both adventures! :) #litchat -1:44 PM Sep 24th, 2010
deberryandgrant @CathrynLouis I think many writers write outside of exp.Don't think all who write about murderous villains know them or are them... #litchat -1:44 PM Sep 24th, 2010
wendykwebb Heh-heh. Hope not. RT @deberryandgrant Don't think all who write about murderous villains know them or are them. #litchat -1:45 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @LitChat 2nd chance at marriage. Every apology=2nd chance to mend. To me, 2nd chances similar to new beginnings, redemption. #litchat -1:45 PM Sep 24th, 2010
CathrynLouis @deberryandgrant That's very true - I'm fascinated by having to portray emotions for someone like that. #litchat -1:46 PM Sep 24th, 2010
NewWritersClub @Shoegalsedgwick I'm a newbie too... #litchat -1:46 PM Sep 24th, 2010
LitChat Welcome. If you have questions for @TwinkleChar, ask away. RT @Shoegalsedgwick: @LitChat Im a newbie so hello!! #litchat -1:46 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @Shoegalsedgwick Howdy back! #litchat -1:46 PM Sep 24th, 2010
SpinMyNovel RT @LitChat: Welcome. If you have questions for @TwinkleChar, ask away. RT @Shoegalsedgwick: @LitChat Im a newbie so hello!! #litchat -1:46 PM Sep 24th, 2010
Shoegalsedgwick @elizabethkarr thank you :) I'm happier and more settled than I ever could've imagined. Nice to tweet you ☺ #litchat -1:46 PM Sep 24th, 2010
deberryandgrant @CathrynLouis And those characters who are not like us, let us grow in our craft and I think in our humanity. #litchat -1:47 PM Sep 24th, 2010
wendykwebb Agreed. I think 2nd chance stories allow us to explore failure, loss, general screw ups despite good intentions. Like life. #litchat -1:47 PM Sep 24th, 2010
Shoegalsedgwick @NewWritersClub ooh newbies together #litchat -1:47 PM Sep 24th, 2010
LitChat Welcome to you, too. We're chatting with author @TwinkleChar today. RT @NewWritersClub: @Shoegalsedgwick Im a newbie too... #litchat -1:47 PM Sep 24th, 2010
deberryandgrant @CathrynLouis I have been fascinated at just having to be a/think like a man! #litchat -1:47 PM Sep 24th, 2010
robynmcintyre @wendykwebb I plead the 5th. LOL #litchat -1:47 PM Sep 24th, 2010
Shoegalsedgwick @LitChat thank you for lovely welcome #litchat -1:47 PM Sep 24th, 2010
brownies1 RT @LitChat: We've been talking about SECOND CHANCES all week. What second chances have you had in your life? #litchat -1:48 PM Sep 24th, 2010
CathrynLouis RT @wendykwebb: Agreed. 2nd chance stories allow us to explore failure, loss, gen screw ups despite good intentions. Like life. #litchat -1:48 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar A 2nd chance to understand someone--perhaps someone we wrote off or incorrectly judged--offers good fodder and food for thot. #litchat -1:48 PM Sep 24th, 2010
elizabethkarr @TwinkleChar Do U take chars 2 bed w/ you? Meaning constant musing or set time to mentally riff on novel? #litchat -1:49 PM Sep 24th, 2010
CathrynLouis Pls don't get me started... ;) RT @deberryandgrant: @CathrynLouis I have been fascinated at just having to be a/think like a man! #litchat -1:49 PM Sep 24th, 2010

brownies1 RT @CathrynLouis: RT @wendykwebb: Agreed. 2nd chance stories allow us to explore failure, loss, gen screw ups despite good intentions. Like life. #litchat -1:49 PM Sep 24th, 2010

Shoegalsedgwick RT @CathrynLouis: RT @wendykwebb: Agreed. 2nd chance stories allow us to explore failure, loss, gen screw ups despite good intentions. Like life. #litchat -1:49 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @elizabethkarr I want to sleep at night, so try to leave chars. behind. But they often follow me to lunch, laundry room, idle convo #litchat -1:50 PM Sep 24th, 2010

deberryandgrant @CathrynLouis LOL! #litchat -1:51 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @elizabethkarr My best musings arrive when I am least trying. For me, trying too hard constipates creativity. #litchat -1:51 PM Sep 24th, 2010

robynmcintyre @TwinkleChar What I hate is when they talk amongst themselves and ignore me. #litchat -1:52 PM Sep 24th, 2010

elizabethkarr RT @TwinkleChar: @elizabethkarr My best musings arrive when I am least trying. For me, trying too hard constipates creativity. #litchat -1:52 PM Sep 24th, 2010

Shoegalsedgwick I think second chances can give you the springboard you need to better things as well as chance to reassess your initial impression #litchat -1:52 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @robynmcintyre Oooo. I love when they do that! I have big ears. Write down everything they say. #litchat -1:52 PM Sep 24th, 2010

wendykwebb RT @elizabethkarr My best musings arrive when I am least trying. For me, trying too hard constipates creativity. #litchat -1:53 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar Writing about 2nd chances (successful ones) organically boosts one's hope and trust that life can get better. #litchat -1:54 PM Sep 24th, 2010

CathrynLouis Sometimes we argue. RT @TwinkleChar: @robynmcintyre Ooo. I luv when they do that! I have big ears. Write down everything they say. #litchat -1:54 PM Sep 24th, 2010

DorothyHearst If I don't take characters to bed with me they rewrite the story while I'm sleeping. #litchat -1:54 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @CathrynLouis My chars always win arguments with me. If they don't, I feel I've betrayed the "real" them. #amwriting #litchat -1:55 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @DorothyHearst HA! #litchat -1:55 PM Sep 24th, 2010

robynmcintyre RT @DorothyHearst: If I don't take characters to bed with me they rewrite the story while I'm sleeping. #litchat -1:56 PM Sep 24th, 2010

deberryandgrant RT @Shoegalsedgwick: I think 2nd chances can give u a springboard u need to better things/reassess your initial impression #litchat -1:56 PM Sep 24th, 2010

NewWritersClub I'm really enjoying #litchat and all the good advice you folks are posting... -1:56 PM Sep 24th, 2010

CathrynLouis @TwinkleChar I'm learning to let them win. It's amazing how much is revealed about them when that happens. #litchat -1:56 PM Sep 24th, 2010

wendykwebb Sometimes I wish mine would. RT @DorothyHearst: If I don't take characters to bed with me they rewrite story while I'm sleeping. #litchat -1:57 PM Sep 24th, 2010

ReadingItAll RT @wendykwebb: RT @elizabethkarr My best musings arrive when I am least trying. For me, trying too hard constipates creativity. #litchat -1:57 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @wendykwebb LOL! #litchat -1:57 PM Sep 24th, 2010

Shoegalsedgwick RT @NewWritersClub: I'm really enjoying #litchat and all the good advice you folks are posting... Me too! -1:58 PM Sep 24th, 2010

CathrynLouis RT @DorothyHearst: If I dont take characters to bed with me they rewrite the story while Im sleeping. #litchat -1:58 PM Sep 24th, 2010

elizabethkarr @NewWritersClub This is a great room 4 #writers & #creatives & as #producer I get tons out of it. #litchat -1:58 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar Laughing! Watching something I said get RT'd & RT's and attributed to @elizabethkarr. You channeling me, girl? HAHAAAAHA! #litchat -1:59 PM Sep 24th, 2010

deberryandgrant RT @elizabethkarr: @NewWritersClub This is a great room 4 #writers & #creatives & as #producer I get tons out of it. #litchat -1:59 PM Sep 24th, 2010

NewWritersClub RT @elizabethkarr: @NewWritersClub This is a great room 4 #writers & #creatives & as #producer I get tons out of it. #litchat -1:59 PM Sep 24th, 2010

deberryandgrant @elizabethkarr Yes! Have been here off and on almost from the beginning... #litchat -2:00 PM Sep 24th, 2010

wendykwebb So glad to be back home with litchat! Thanks everyone for a fun discussion. Char, let's get in touch before the TC Bookfest! #litchat -2:01 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar Any others out there got a #WIP starring 2nd chances? #litchat -2:01 PM Sep 24th, 2010

LitChat We're at the end of the hour that @TwinkleChar promised us, but she's welcome to hang around as long as she likes. #litchat -2:01 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @wendykwebb To be sure. #litchat -2:01 PM Sep 24th, 2010

CathrynLouis Kind of. Still fleshing it out. RT @TwinkleChar: Any others out there got a #WIP starring 2nd chances? #litchat -2:02 PM Sep 24th, 2010

mmccubb RT @wendykwebb: Amen. RT @TwinkleChar: Key to writing: more guts than brains. #amwriting #litchat -2:02 PM Sep 24th, 2010

deberryandgrant @TwinkleChar Don't think we've ever written a book w/o some character having a second chance...so yes to your ques #litchat -2:02 PM Sep 24th, 2010

DorothyHearst RT @mmccubb: RT @wendykwebb: Amen. RT @TwinkleChar: Key to writing: more guts than brains. #amwriting #litchat -2:03 PM Sep 24th, 2010

robynmcintyre @TwinkleChar - well, my protag is dead, so his afterlife is a second chance. #litchat -2:03 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar Wendy Webb, myself and tons of other authors at Twin Cities Bookfest next mo. <http://raintaxi.org/bookfest/> #litchat -2:04 PM Sep 24th, 2010

J_GriffinB @robynmcintyre dead men _do_ tell tales, eh? #litchat -2:04 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @robynmcintyre Well, that just about covers it, doesn't it?! HA! #litchat -2:04 PM Sep 24th, 2010

brownies1 Sometimes when writing starting over is the only option. #litchat -2:04 PM Sep 24th, 2010

artistikem @TwinkleChar My current WIP is about two morphine addicts that get a second chance in life thanks to a helpful doctor. #litchat -2:04 PM Sep 24th, 2010

CathrynLouis @LitChat @TwinkleChar Thanks so much for a great convo. Enjoyed being here today! #litchat -2:04 PM Sep 24th, 2010

elizabethkarr Have 3 screenplays in development & all circle around concept of second chances. Powerful stuff. #litchat -2:04 PM Sep 24th, 2010

deberryandgrant @brownies1 Ha! Not only for the characters but for the writer as well!! #litchat -2:05 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar That certainly equals a 2nd change to make it better.>>RT @brownies1: Sometimes when writing starting over is the only option. #litchat -2:05 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @elizabethkarr Yum. #litchat -2:05 PM Sep 24th, 2010

TwinkleChar @artistikem Wonderful! #litchat -2:05 PM Sep 24th, 2010
deberryandgrant Thanks. Have a great weekend everyone and @TwinkleChar--celebrate your birthday some more!!! #litchat -2:05 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @deberryandgrant You know, that's probably true for me, too. Whether focus or not, 2nd chances = good reading. #litchat -2:06 PM Sep 24th, 2010
robymcintyre @J_GriffinB Often, but not everyone's listening. #litchat -2:06 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @deberryandgrant Thanks! Have a 9/30 deadline for WIP, so will be writingwritingwriting. Excited to see how story ends! #litchat -2:07 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar I can stick around another five mins. or so--until weight of deadline crushes my temporary resolve to do the "other." #litchat -2:08 PM Sep 24th, 2010
robymcintyre @TwinkleChar Thanks for sharing your insights! #litchat -2:08 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar Thank you @litchat for your kind invitation and unending writerly juju. #litchat -2:09 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @robymcintyre You are most welcome. Thanks for chiming in! #litchat -2:09 PM Sep 24th, 2010
LitChat Before @TwinkleChar returns to her deadline (9/30), please tell us what that deadline is for? #litchat -2:10 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @LitChat 3rd book in Snowglobe Connections series, due out a year from now. LOVING this story. So not what I expected. #litchat -2:11 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar Didn't even know 2nd main char was gonna be in book. Love when that happens. #litchat -2:11 PM Sep 24th, 2010
LitChat Hint? RT @TwinkleChar:3rd book in Snowglobe Connections series, due out a year from now. LOVING this story. So not what I expected. #litchat -2:12 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar Injured 38 yo ballerina ends up living in house w/19 yo assistant. Two strong women at v. diff points in their lives. #litchat -2:13 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @LitChat Looks like we are only 2 left, so ... muuuuuust wriiiiiite. Again, thank you! #litchat -2:14 PM Sep 24th, 2010
LitChat Let's give @TwinkleChar a round of #litchat thanks for her taking time from deadline to chat with us today. {{{APPLAUSE}}} #litchat -2:15 PM Sep 24th, 2010
DorothyHearst @TwinkleChar Sounds like a great book! #litchat -2:16 PM Sep 24th, 2010
AuthorWilliam RT @LitChat: Let's give @TwinkleChar a round of #litchat thanks for her taking time from deadline to chat with us today. {{{APPLAUSE}}} #litchat -2:16 PM Sep 24th, 2010
robymcintyre RT @LitChat: Let's give @TwinkleChar a round of #litchat thanks for her taking time from deadline to chat with us today. {{{APPLAUSE}}} -2:17 PM Sep 24th, 2010
TwinkleChar @DorothyHearst Thanks. I think it's quite compelling. But then, editor might have other ideas. :) #litchat -2:17 PM Sep 24th, 2010
brownies1 RT @LitChat: Let's give @TwinkleChar a round of #litchat thanks for her taking time from deadline to chat with us today. {{{APPLAUSE}}} #litchat -2:17 PM Sep 24th, 2010
elizabethkarr Plug time? #Film I produced @RFAmovie adapt of #PKD novel http://tinyurl.com/radiofreefacebook http://www.radiofreealbemuth.com #litchat -2:26 PM Sep 24th, 2010