

MR WORMWOOD comes on. Takes out a piece of paper, reads.

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‘I would like to offer an apology for some of the things that have been going on here tonight. They are not nice things and they are not right things and I would like to state garrantorically that we do not want any children that might be here tonight watching this to go home and try these things out for themselves. I am of course talking about... reading books.

It is not normal for kids to behave in this fashion, it stunts the brain, wears out the eyes, makes kids ugly, stinky, fatty, sweaty, betty, boring, gaseous and crucially, it gives them headlice... of the soul.

Under no circumstances do we condone such activities and we do so utterly without reservoirs.’