



**The Story Pirates Podcast**  
**Season 3**  
**Episode 5**

[BOAT HORN]

>> ROLO: Wow these look really nice.

[CLICK]

>> NIMENE: Hey Rolo.

>> ROLO: Oh, hi Nimene.

>> NIMENE: What're you looking at on the computer?

>> ROLO: What? Nothing. I'm not looking at anything.

>> NIMENE: Ok.

[CLICK]

>> ROLO: Wow I'm putting that in my cart.

>> NIMENE: Rolo are you online shopping?

>> ROLO: Mind your own business!

>> NIMENE: Ok, sorry! Just asking.

[CLICK CLICK]

>> ROLO: Everyone's going to *love* these.



>> NIMENE: Rolo are you-

>> ROLO: It is a secret!

>> NIMENE: Ok! I will leave you be, Rolo. Bye!

[DOOR CLOSES]

>> ROLO: Now that Nimene's gone I can order my special gifts for everyone on the Internet. And...

[CLICK]

>>ROLO: -ordered.

*[BEEP BOOP INTERNET SOUNDS]*

>> ROLO: Ooh I can't wait for my very cool things to be delivered! I will wait right here for my important package.

*[DOORBELL]*

>> ROLO: That was fast!!

*[DOOR OPENS]*

>> ROLO: Hello I'm ready for my - hey! Where's my package? What's this note on the door say? "Sorry we missed you, we'll try again soon." Guess I'll just wait some more!

*[DOOR CLOSES]*

*[DOORBELL]*

>> ROLO: They're back!

*[DOOR OPENS]*



>> ROLO: Hello! Do you have my - WHAT?! Where'd they go? Another note? "Sorry we missed you again!" What?! How?? I will NOT miss my important package. I will stare at the door all day until it arrives!! All week if I have to! All month! I will spend the rest of my LIFE looking at this door. I will not look away from this door ever, ever, ever!

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[THEME SONG BEGINS]

[BOAT HORN]

>>KID: I love Story Pirates!

>>KID: I like my story. (laughs)

>>KID: Don't write for other people just write for yourself.

>>KID: Alright!

>>KID: Just go for the imagination.

>>KID: This is weird.

>>KID: I'll think of something in the next 20 years.

>>KID: Sheep, get out of here, we're trying to finish a story.

>>KID: The Story Pirates.

[THEME SONG ENDS]

[BOAT HORN]

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>>ROLO: Welcome back to The Story Pirates Podcast, where we take stories written by kids, and turn them into sketch comedy and songs! Today is a big day for me, Rolo, because I am staring at the door waiting for a package to arrive.

>>PETER: Hey Rolo, what package?

>>ROLO: Leave me alone!!!

>>PETER: Sorry, wow. Can we at least do a story while you wait?

>>ROLO: OF COURSE!

>>PETER: Amazing. Hey everyone we're gonna do a story! Ahem. Listeners, have you ever had to choose between your favorite snacks? Or have you had another very hard choice? Like, for example...um. I actually can't think of a harder choice than choosing between snacks. BUT, good thing that's sort of what this next story is all about, except for Raccoons! Here's the author to introduce it.

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### THE RACCOON'S VERY HARD CHOICE

>>ESA: Hi, my name is Esa, I'm 7 years old and I live in New York. This is my story, it's called, "The Racoons Very Hard Choice."

[MUSIC BEGINS]

>>RACCOONS: The best food for us raccoons  
The best food is trash and garbage

The best food for us raccoons  
The best food is trash and garbage



>>RUFUS: What a life eating garbage  
Trash and garbage for Rufus the raccoon

>>RACCOONS: And his raccoon friends!

>>RUFUS: The taste of sweet smelly garbage  
We eat al fresco  
Under the moon

>>RACCOONS: Under the moon!

>>RUFUS: All those left over tissues  
And candy wrappers  
We love them all

>>RACCOONS: We love them all

>>RUFUS: Every night eating garbage  
There's nothing better  
Than garbage big and small

>>RACCOONS: Here we go!  
The best food for us raccoons  
The best food is trash and garbage

The best food for us raccoons  
The best food is trash and garbage  
is trash and garbage

>>JUDE HUE: Alright raccoons of Maple Avenue, it's Thursday night which means one thing!

>>RACCOONS: It's trash night!



>>JUDE: Jeff, give them the rundown.

>>JEFF: Well, the Henderson family has FOUR bags of garbage out tonight.

[GASPS]

The Smith family threw out a bunch of old newspapers...

>>RACCOONS: Alright!

>>JEFF: Hey Rufus, where are you going?

>>RACCOON: He's opening the Miller family's door! Rufus! You know the rules, we can only eat the humans garbage outside, on the curb.

>>RUFUS: It's fine guys, they're at the beach! I just wanna check to see if they're hiding any garbage inside the house! Here I go!

What a nice little kitchen  
I like the backsplash  
And the fridge

I think that's where they hide all the garbage.  
Let's take a looksie  
Just a smidge.

So much weird looking stuff here  
These little red things  
They smell okay

One small bite wouldn't hurt me  
Here goes nothing!  
...Hey!



MMMMM! What are these yummy things?  
Make my heart start to sing.  
Let me see if I can make out the spelling...  
Hmmm... strawberries..  
And what's this? Lettuce. Fruits and vegetables!  
I've heard about those! I've got to go tell the others!

>>RACCOONS: The best food for us raccoons  
The best food is always garbage  
The best food for us raccoons...

>>RUFUS: Raccoon friends, listen up!  
I just discovered the most delicious food-

>>RACCOONS: It's called garbage, yes must be garbage.

>>RUFUS: And now my whole perspective has been skewed.

>>RACCOONS: It's garbage, what kind of garbage?

>>RUFUS: I know at first it might seem a little scary,  
But try some of these vegetables, and strawberries.

>>RACCOONS: Mmmmmm! WOW!

>>JEFF: This changes everything.

>>RACCOONS: What's the best food for us raccoons?  
Is it fresh fruit or trash and garbage?  
What's the best food for us raccoons?

Is it fruit and veggies?



Or trash and garbage?

>>RUFUS: I think we should vote!

>>RACCOONS: Yeah!

>>JUDE HUES: Hi I'm Jude Hues with Raccoon News, reporting live from Maple Avenue where the local raccoons are deciding whether the best food is trash and garbage, or their newly discovered... fruits and veggies.

>>JUDGE: Ah that's 14 votes for garbage and 14 votes for fruits and veggies. Rufus, it's up to you to break the tie!

>>RUFUS: We spent our lives eating garbage,  
which helps the humans,  
And helps the earth.

>>RACCOONS: That's true!

>>RUFUS: But healthy foods help our bodies  
Like fruits and veggies,  
We know their worth.

>>RACCOONS: That's also true!

>>RUFUS: To end this crazy dilemma  
This food dilemma  
We must take an oath

>>RACCOONS: What kind of oath?

>>RUFUS: The best food now isn't garbage  
Or fruits and veggies





It's BOTH!

>>RACCOONS: The best food for us raccoons

The best food is fruit and garbage

The best for for us raccoons

Is Fruit and garbage

Is trash and veggies!

Oh yeah! He chooses both!

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*Everyone talks about the story...*

>>ROLO: OH NO!!

>>LEE: Rolo what is it?

>>ROLO: While I was talking about how much I loved that amazing story they left another note on the door that says "this was our final attempt you can pick up your package at the space post office!!" Nooo!

>>NIMENE: Oh no Rolo the space post office is not far from here but the trip is very dangerous! We'd have to send you out in a pod and you'd be on your own. You'd have to fly through the Beta Astrid Meteor Shower.

>>ROLO: I'll do it!

>>LEE: Rolo there's no way this package is worth it.

>>ROLO: It is! I must go!

>>NIMENE: Are you sure?



>>ROLO: Yes!

>>NIMENE: Ok Rolo. Get into this space suit.

[ZIPPER SOUNDS]

>>ROLO: Done!

>>PETER: And into this pod.

[DOOR CLOSSES]

>>ROLO: I'm in the pod!

>>LEE: We'll be talking to you the whole time! In your ear piece. Can you hear us?

>>ROLO: Yes! Ok here I go! 10 - 9 - 8 - 7 - 6 - 5 - 4 - 3 - 2 - 1 here I go to get the package!

[BLASTING OFF]

>>ROLO: Rolo to Story Pirates, do you read?

>>NIMENE: *(in earpiece)* We read, Rolo!

>>ROLO: Ok I'm putting in the coordinates and then I just have to -

>>NIMENE: Rolo, watch out for that space trash!

[CLUNK]

>>ROLO: Oh no! My pod's been compromised! I'm trying to hold on!

[CLUNK]

>>ROLO: Oh no the meteor shower!



[CLUNK AFTER CLUNK AFTER CLUNK, THEN THE SOUND OF AIR ESCAPING]

>>ROLO: There's a big hole in my pod!

*SFX: More wind, Rolo struggling*

>>ROLO: I'm being sucked into spaaaaace!

[RATTLING AND CHAOS, THEN SILENCE]

>>ROLO: Oh no. Oh no oh no oh no.

>>NIMENE: Rolo? Rolo, what's happening? Rolo? Are you there? Do you copy?

>>ROLO: I copy.

>>NIMENE: Are you ok? Is your pod still working?

>>ROLO: Nimene? I don't know how to say this but... I am now free floating through space.

>>NIMENE: Oh no, Rolo that's not good.

>>ROLO: What do I do! I'm just floating! I can't get to the post office if I'm floating!

>>NIMENE: Rolo, forget about the post office!

>>ROLO: I can't! I need to get that package!

>>NIMENE: *(going in and out, hard to hear her)* Rolo you shouldn't try to do anything.... You'll go too far out into space... the package isn't worth it...you don't even need whatever's in it.

[STATIC]

>>ROLO: Nimene? Nimene?? Oh no! I'm too far away. She's gone!! I'm all alone.



>>ESA: We'll be right back!

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MIDROLL

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>>ROLO: Think, Rolo think! You're floating through space and that's bad but you're floating towards the post office where your precious package awaits, and that's good! But there's no way to control where I'm going and that's bad. But zero gravity is fun so that's good! But I'll probably never see my friends again so that's bad. Oh no! It's mostly bad. There's only one thing to do. Take a nap!

[SNORING AND DREAMY MUSIC]

>>NIMENE: (*echoey, dreamlike*) Rolo! Rolo!

>>ROLO: Nimene? Are you real?

>>NIMENE: No. I'm in your dream. But everything I'm saying is real because this is your brain's way of telling you what you need to hear.

>>ROLO: So really you are *me*?

>>NIMENE: Yes. And you, as me, are telling you that you can't give up now. You need to get this package! The package is the most important thing in the world.

>>ROLO: You're right! I have to get that package.

>>NIMENE: You have to, Rolo.

>>ROLO: I have to.



>>NIMENE: Rolo.

>>ROLO: I must get the package.

>>NIMENE: Rolo. ROLO!

>>ROLO: Ah! Nimene! You're really here!

>>NIMENE: Yes Rolo! I came and found you in my own pod. You're safe now. We're going home.

>>ROLO: No!! We have to get the package!

>>NIMENE: Rolo you've already been through too much. We need to go back.

>>ROLO: But but...it's a gift for the Story Pirates and I need to get you your gift.

>>NIMENE: Oh! Oh Ok fine Rolo. Let's go get that package.

>>ROLO: Thank you!

>>NIMENE: Hold on tight, cuz we're dodging meteors!

[METEOR SHOWER AND EXCITING MUSIC]

>>ROLO: We're here. Wow it's a drive through. Hello Mr. space postman. One package for Rolo Vincent please.

>>MUFFLED VOICE: Here you go.

>>ROLO: Yayyyy!!

>>NIMENE: Come on, let's go home!



>>ROLO: Whoa!

[ZIPS, ZOOPS]

[GARAGE DOOR OPENS]

>>ROLO: We're back everyone!

>>ALL: Welcome back!

>>ROLO: And I got my package! Time to open it!

*SFX: Box being opened*

>>ROLO: Tada! It's hats! A fun hat for everyone.

>>LEE: Wow these hats *are* cool!

>>RACHEL: Mine has antennas!

>>MEGHAN: Mine is a top hat!

>>PETER: Mine has a little propeller on it. Weeee! Weeee!

>>ROLO: I knew everyone would like their little hats.

>>NIMENE: We love them.

>>RACHEL: I wanna say on behalf of everyone that this was worth the risk.

[EVERYONE AGREES]

>>ROLO: I knew it! Tomorrow I will order everybody shoes!

>>ALL: No!



>>ROLO: Oh ok.

>>PETER: Hey, should we do another story?

>>ALL: Yeah!!

>>LEE: Okay listeners, this next story is about an election, and when an election is happening, it is REALLY important to vote. In fact, anyone who lives somewhere that we even GET to vote is really lucky. But the question remains - when you're voting, who do you vote FOR? Well, the main character in this next story thinks that you should vote for HER. Here's the author to introduce it!

>>Eliana: Hi! I'm Eliana. I'm 11 years old and I live in New York. This is my story, "Stepping Up!".

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### STEPPING UP

[DRAMATIC CABLE NEWS MUSIC]

>>NEWS ANCHOR 1: Good evening, America. I'm Anastasia Ramirez.

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2: And I'm here too.

>>NEWS ANCHOR 1: And welcome to "It's Gotta Be Someone"--your source for relentless coverage of the Presidential Election. As we like to say, "When it comes to election news, something's *always* breaking."

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2: It's November 16th, 2023, and with *only* 353 days remaining until the election, things are *really* starting to heat up.

>>NEWS ANCHOR 1: Absolutely, Ted. Everyone who wants to run for president is announcing it *now*, before it becomes too late. And as we all know, here in the United States everyone and *anyone* can become president--



>>NEWS ANCHOR 2: --as long as you're a citizen, have lived in the country for at least 14 years, are at least 35 years old...

>>NEWS ANCHOR 1: Yes, Ted, thank you--

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2: --and submit a petition containing a minimum of 5,000 signatures--

>>NEWS ANCHOR 1: YES TED THANK YOU--

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2: --with at least 200 of those signatures from each of their states congressional districts.

>>NEWS ANCHOR 1: Huh. I didn't know that last bit.

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2: Me neither. I just googled it, actually. Of course, it also doesn't hurt to have lots and lots of money to spend on a campaign....

>>NEWS ANCHOR 1: And speaking of campaigns, remember: if you want to run for president, act now! The clock is ticking and honestly, we're running out of things to talk about! Up next: flag pins, fashion YAY or fashion NAY?

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2: But first, back to commercials.

[TV TURNS OFF. HAPPY BIRTHDAY THEME]

>>ALL SIENNA'S FRIENDS:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEAR SIENNA  
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOUUU

>>SIENNA: Thank you my friends, thank you all. On the eve of this, my 35th year of life, I, Illinois Senator Sienna Parker, am proud to announce that I am ready for a change.

>>FRIEND 1: Oh cool! Are you going to quit your job and start a food truck?

>>SIENNA: Umm...no...





>>FRIEND 2: Are you finally going to commit to flossing regularly?

>>SIENNA: No...friends: I'm talking about making a huge step towards achieving my LIFELONG DREAM!

>>FRIEND 3: Ohhh owning an exotic pet? Because I do NOT recommend that.

>>SIENNA: No! Now that I'm 35 I can finally legally run for president! And I wanted my closest pals to be here to watch me take out my phone and make my official announcement tweet!

>>ALL FRIENDS: Ohhhhhh! Very cool. I love it.

>>SIENNA: Oh boy, here we go...gotta post something dignified...inspiring...140 characters or less...got it! [typing] "Heads up everyone! Sienna Parker is running for President!" #Parker24 #steppingup. Annnnd POST.

[PHONE ALERTS RING AND BUZZ]

>>ALL FRIENDS: [checking phones and congratulating Sienna and commenting on hashtag]

>>SIENNA: I know I can count on all of you to vote for me, right?

>>ALL FRIENDS: [assorted excuses about getting to the poles, getting off work, or other reasons people give for not voting like "I don't really follow politics"]

>>SIENNA: Seriously? Do you realize what's at stake?

>>FRIEND 1: Fine, if I vote will I get a sticker?

>>SIENNA: Yeah, everyone will get a sticker.

>>ALL FRIENDS: Whoo-hoo!



[CABLE NEWS THEME]

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2: Welcome back to “It’s Gotta Be Someone.”

>>NEWS ANCHOR 1: I’m Anastasia Ramirez. And with the Presidential Election only 276 days away, we’re *dedicated* to talking circles around the same sound bite for days at a time in an effort to maintain our ratings.

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2: I’ve had to use the restroom for hours, but they literally won’t let me leave this desk.

>>NEWS ANCHOR 1: Today in the nation’s capital, the candidates have been called out of their quiet homes to give a few-minute speech outlining exactly what they’ll do for this country, if they were to be elected President.

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2: We take you now to the National Mall, where Sienna Parker is just beginning her address.

[INSPIRATIONAL PATRIOTIC MUSIC]

>>SIENNA: [“resounding voice”] My fellow Americans, here are a few of my many ideas and, more importantly, how I plan to make them happen. As president, I want to give equality to everyone in my country. I believe males and females are equal, and men should treat women equally.

>>CROWD: [all cheer, thunderous applause]

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2: Wow. The crowd certainly seems mesmerized by Senator Parker’s ideas.

>>NEWS ANCHOR 1: Yes. And more on that historic speech later. First, where did candidate Bryan Smith golf yesterday? And the shocking story behind why he chose *those shorts*.

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2: Haha, uh oh!

[MUSIC CHANGES TO UPBEAT AND MONTAGE-Y]



>>FRIEND 1: Well, a few days after Sienna gave her speech it was time to vote in the primaries.

>>FRIEND 2: Spoiler alert: we all voted after all!

>>FRIEND 3: And we all voted for Sienna. Duh!

>>RANDO: I voted for Bryan Smith.

>>ALL: AND WE ALL GOT STICKERS!

>>FRIEND 2: Selfieeee!

[CAMERA SHUTTERS]

>>FRIEND 2: #steppingup!

>>FRIEND 3: Sienna and Bryan ended up being their party's nominees, which means that they became opponents in the main election.

>>FRIEND 1: Sienna was inching ever closer to fulfilling her lifelong dream. In the days leading up to the election, she shook hands--

>>SIENNA: Pleasure to meet *you!*

>>FRIEND 1: --kissed babies--

[BABY CRYING]

SIENNA: Come here baby. (smooch)

[BABY GIGGLES]

>>FRIEND 1 CONT'D: --gave more speeches--

>>SIENNA: As Grover Cleveland, our 22nd and 24th president once said...



>>FRIEND 1: --and even did the most important thing a presidential candidate can do: write books endorsed by celebrities!

>>OPRAH WINFREY: And YOU get a book, and YOU get a book! EVERYBODY HAS TO READ THIS BOOOOK.

>>FRIEND 2: Wow! Impressive! What about Bryan Smith?

>>FRIEND 1: He hasn't written any books, but he did write this tweet: "If I'm elected President, I promise not to change anything,"

>>ALL FRIENDS: BO-RING!

>>FRIEND 1: "not even my socks"

>>ALL FRIENDS: ewwwwww!

>>FRIEND 3: The night of the election, Sienna made an enormous bowl of popcorn, sat down on her couch, and clicked on the TV at exactly 8:00pm...

[MUSIC GLISS]

>>SIENNA: Alright, Sienna. This is it. Time to find out the results of the election. Now I just have to balance this popcorn on my lap...grab the remote...annnnnd...

[TV CLICKS ON]

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2 (VOICE FROM TV): This just in. We have big news. Parker wins California, Texas, and New York...

>>SIENNA: Yes!

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2 (FROM TV): Meanwhile Bryan Smith has taken *ten states*.

>>SIENNA: NO!



>>NEWS ANCHOR 2 (FROM TV): Yes, it looks like Smith has swept Vermont, South Carolina, Maryland, West Virginia, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Hawaii, Connecticut, Delaware and Rhode Island!

>>SIENNA: Hold on a second, aren't those...?

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2 (FROM TV): ...the ten *smallest states* in the country. By square footage. *Not* a very impressive showing for Smith. Meanwhile, Parker has taken the other 37 states.

>>SIENNA: Alright!

>>NEWS ANCHOR 2 (FROM TV):  $37 + 10 + 3$  is 50, meaning all the results are in. Well, folks. It looks like I can officially say that the next President of the United States will be...SIENNA PARKER!!!

>>SIENNA: [jumps off the couch and cheers really loudly] Woo-hoo! I did it!

>>NEWS ANCHOR 1: Incredible, Ted. I'm here on the ground in President Elect Parker's living room, where the former senator has enthusiastically leapt off her couch, with total disregard for the bowl of popcorn on her lap.

>>SIENNA: Iiiii Diiiiid Iiiiiit!!!!

>>NEWS ANCHOR 1: Congratulations, Sienna! But don't forget, the NEXT election is only 1,461 days away. Better start campaigning!

>>SIENNA: Guuuuhhh!

>>REPORTER 1: THE END

>> ROLO: And now, Lee talks to the author!

>>Eliana: Hello?

>>Lee: Hi, is this Eliana?

>>Eliana: Yeah.



>>Lee: Hey, this is Lee from the Story Pirates.

>>Eliana: Hi Lee!

>>Lee: How are you?

>>Eliana: I'm good.

>>Lee: Eliana. Your story is Stepping Up.

>>Eliana: Yes.

>>Lee: Can you talk to me about what inspired you to write it?

>>Eliana: A few years ago I started to understand politics and start to enjoy it and I want to be president when I'm older so I can make laws because I don't, our country is very not perfect.

>>Lee: So you want to be president. Can you talk to me about what it will take for you to get to that place?

>>Eliana: Uh, well first I need to turn 35... It worked out perfectly cause elections are in November. My birthday is August, so I'd be old enough to run that same year. I'm lucky.

>>Lee: Oh great. Yeah. You don't have to wait very long.

>>Eliana: I think I'm just basically gonna do what my character in my story did.

>>Lee: Do you have any sense of what your platform will be or what issues you'll be running on?

>>Eliana: I think that I would want to make it so everyone has equal rights and everyone is allowed here and no walls between countries.

>>Lee: So do you know how like a lot of presidents will have a slogan or a sentence that they say that sort of like sums up what they're about and what they believe in.

>>Eliana: Yeah.

>>Lee: Do you have any ideas what your slogan would be?

>>Eliana: Um, rough draft, "equal rights for everyone."

>>Lee: Incredible.



>>Eliana: Thank you.

>>Lee: I love that you said rough draft.

>>Eliana: Yes, I'll think of something in the next 20 years.

>>Lee: I'm sure you will. But it's good to have a rough draft so you can start thinking about it. So why do you think equal rights is important?

>>Eliana: Because I believe that, even if we look all different, we're all the same on the inside. And that's what counts.

>>Lee: Yeah. We're all humans.

>>Eliana: Yes.

>>Lee: I love that. So as a young person who wants to run for president someday, what's it like for you to see women running for President? Because it hasn't always happened, right?

>>Eliana: Yeah. I feel really proud of them. I don't care how far they're getting. They're brave enough to actually run.

>>Lee: Uh huh.

>>Eliana: And I want to be an inspiration for women and girls all over the country.

>>Lee: The same way they're an inspiration for you.

>>Eliana: Yeah.

>>Lee: So one of my favorite parts of your story is when Sienna finds out that she won the election and spills popcorn everywhere. (laughs)

>>Eliana: Yes. She's just like, okay, let's see if I won, I might win there's like, I really might, win I'm going to sit down and I'm going to eat my popcorn. Wait, I won!? Oh my God, there's popcorn everywhere.

>>Lee: (Laughing) She's like shocked.

>>Eliana: Yeah.

>>Lee: Do you think you'll be nervous when you're watching the election returns come in for your own election when you're running?



>>Eliana: Yeah, I've been shaking just waiting for this call. Like I'm shaking. I was like shaking really bad. So I think if it's a matter that big that I think I'll just be about to explode.

>>Lee: (Laughing) Everybody, maybe keep the popcorn away from Eliana. She's going to spill it all over the place.

>>Eliana: Yeah.

>>Lee: Eliana, thank you so much for talking to me about all this stuff.

>>Eliana: Thank you. My Pleasure.

>>Lee: Bye. Bye.

>>Eliana: Bye.

>>LEE: Thanks for listening to today's episode and a special thanks to today's authors, Asa and Eliana. Before we go, here's today's story spark. Kids, have you ever heard the phrase "one person's trash is another person's treasure?" Well, write us a story about a character who discovers great value in something that someone else doesn't value at all! What is the thing that they feel so differently about? And why do they feel so differently about it? As always, grown ups can submit stories at [storypirates.com](http://storypirates.com). Thanks for listening. Bye!!!

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>>LEE: Ugh, this place is a mess! No one EVER picks up after we do a story. There's popcorn all over the deck of the ship! You know what, I'm going to make a sign telling everyone to clean up after themselves. Okay let's see, what should the sign say? I know -

[MUSIC]

The best place to put your trash

The best place to put your garbage

The best place to put recycling

Is the trash or the garbage, or the recycling bin!

Or the compost PLACEEEEEEEEEEE YEAH!

OKAY, and just put a smiley face at the bottom to make it extra passive aggressive.

[END]