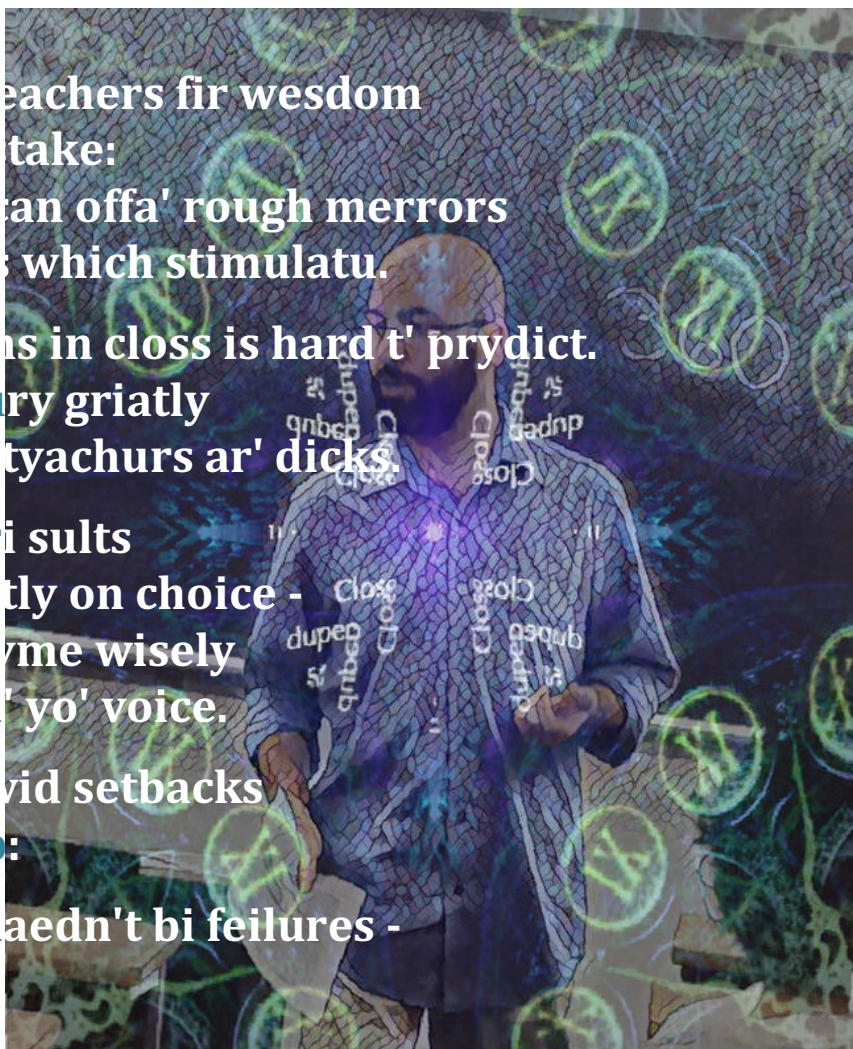


BEFORE CLASS:

Tips for Winning at the Game of School

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Melissa: Failures as hiccups? Isn't that too blithe? What kind of rubbish is this?

Liao: Perhaps this Newfields bloke is echoing a point made by Kundera that we need a certain amount "lightness" in life. Most people take themselves far too seriously, as if their tiny ant-like existence actually mattered.

Satoru: Kundera – isn't that a type of sneaker?

Liao: (pausing a few seconds) Well . . . I suppose we could say that. Ugh – yeah!
In a sense, you are absolutely correct . . .

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