SIGHTREADING DIRECTIONS:

ON CAMERA: Each entry takes a copy of the text as the timer starts for 2 minutes. They can use the time as they see fit, but cannot use any resources (cell or computer) and must simply prep the piece to the best of their availability.

After 2 minutes (or sooner if the competitor is ready), the competitor delivers their dramatic reading of the text. There is no end limit, but time should be appropriate to the length and complexity of the text.

FROM CHARLES DICKENS' A CHRISTMAS CAROL

CHARACTER: Mr. Fezziwig (Scrooge's former employer)

Here it is Christmas Eve and here we are still sitting at our desks! That will never do. Come Ebenezer, come Dick, it's time to forget all about work and have some fun. Let's have the shutters up before a man can say Jack Robinson! Hilli-ho! Mr. Marley, join me in a glass of punch. Alright, everyone, clear the floor – bring on the fiddler and the food and the punch – come now where is my wife and daughters – let us celebrate! Clear away, my lads, and let's have lots of room here! Hilli-ho, Dick! Chirrup, Ebenezer!