

Thinklings' Thoughts



Our dear fellow Thinklings,

The geologist's rock collection has a lot of sedimental value to him.

"Fodder stared at him, this nameless stranger who, when faced with three persons unknown climbing up his privy, had not shoved them back down into the wasteland below or called the guard to thump them repeatedly at his behest but had offered friendly cleaning advice, helped them out of the aforementioned loo, and was apparently offering, quite sincerely, to show them his rock collection. He hadn't a clue what to say." - [The Disposable](#)

It's almost summer, and we're here with sum-more puns and fun!

Two fun facts about June we bet you didn't know:

1. No other month in the year begins on the same day of the week as June.
2. The period of time from the middle of May to the middle of June was considered by the ancient Romans to be an ill-omened time for marriage. Of course, these days, it's the opposite and a popular time for weddings.*

As much as we love June, though, we won't tell Ju-lies - we're eager for August, which is when our next book comes out!

We've been working harder than granite, polishing [a novel](#) that really rocks. It's got adventure on an epic scale. Sheer, towering precipices, for example, get scaled. And then there are the ones on the dragon. . . .

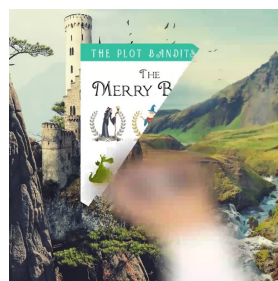
Heavy on the humor, light on the heart, *The Merry Band* balances beautifully in the middle of The Plot Bandits trilogy. We can't promise there aren't any literal cliffhangers, but good news: the third and final book is written and just needs polishing, so it should be out sometime next year!

In the meantime, check out Katherine Vick's [blog](#) or [Facebook page](#) for a whole lot of fun content, like memes and silly short stories. Katherine's unique style has been best described this way: "For an author to deliver thought-provoking, contemplative content with humor, and to be serious without taking herself too seriously, is a rare gift at which Katherine Vick excels" - Darcia Helle of [Quiet Fury Books](#).

Doodle video for *The Merry Band*

We've been doodling, doodling, doodling again! The Plot Bandits books sure do provide us with a lot of great Fodder for puns and other creative marketing endeavors!

[View on YouTube](#)



Coming in July: We interviewed Princess Pleasance! The ranting Royal's responses will be in here before they go up in our blog, because you guys are awesome and we love you! :) Thank you for supporting this small biz with big dreams!

Until next month,

Read long and prosper.



[Seven Stellar Sci-Fi Books](#)

This month in our blog, author Catherine Butzen recommends seven of her all-time favorite works of science fiction.



[Monthly Writing Tip](#)

Wondering what questions you should ask your beta readers? Here's a list of 15 good questions from Fiction University.

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- 1) Great books never go out of style, and
- 2) Extremely talented authors deserve to have their books read. Even if their story ["doesn't fit in."](#)

* These two June facts are taken from [this article](#) at TheFactSite.com.

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