

VO As day in Haven Hollow begins to wind down, Dr. Benjamin Brittle catches up on his correspondence...

[SFX: Fast, angry, typing]

BENJAMIN **(speaking slowly, as if speaking out what he is writing)** To Whom It May Concern **(aside)** and I do believe it may concern you very much indeed! Last month, I entered your establishment with the express purpose of posting my newest copy of “Brittle Blath....” **(backspace, backspace, backspace)** **(aside)** strike that **(continuing)** “Brittle Banter” upon your Community Board. I was met with **(pauses for the correct word to come)** hostility.

According to your *Barista*, the board already has a very popular blog that is shared daily! DAILY! When I went to see just what the fuss was all about, I realized that the blog post belonged to none other than my co-worker, Constance! I speak from a position of great authority when I say that Constance’s “blog” is nothing but... (pause) DRIVEL. Your establishment’s patrons would be better served by my works.

Please reach out and let me know if you would like to replace your current (pause) uninspired choice with something with a little more...gravitas. Sincerely, DOCTOR Benjamin Brittle -- you know where to find me, as this is my sixth letter.

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BENJAMIN **(speaking slowly, as if speaking out what he is writing)** To Whom it May Concern... I noticed yesterday that the water leaking from the ceiling in the Resource Services department has started to turn a disturbing shade of rust. I was hoping that you could provide assistance in re-sealing the usual holes, and helping to create some new, not so rusty holes. We use the dripping water to run the coffee machine. Sincerely, DOCTOR Benjamin Brittle -- the one and only.

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BENJAMIN **(speaking slowly, as if speaking out what he is writing)** My Dearest Director, since the SECRETARY will not let me speak to you directly, I have decided to write to you in private. **[SFX: steps approaching]** I have many, many concerns when it comes to the running of this building. My first concern --

HAZEL: BENJAMIN -- YOU WILL NOT BE GIVING ANY LETTERS TO THE DIRECTOR.

BENJAMIN Hazel..... How...

HAZEL: Not only do you INSIST on dictating your complaints, you're loud enough to be heard down the hall! That's enough for the day! Do you understand me?

BENJAMIN Yes, Miss Adams. I do.

[SFX: Footsteps retreat]

Benjamin **(continues typing, but much, much slower) (whispers)** you see, the management of this building has been severely lacking since... well, since you know. I was wondering if you and I could have a little TÊTE à TÊTE about how to fix that. Sincerely, DOCTOR Benjamin Brittle -- Third Floor, Archivist and Recumbent Bicycling Enthusiast.

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