

A Sample Play

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Cast of Characters

ELEANOR

A girl of age 18. She likes pies and π .

CAT

A large creature that meows.

Playwright's Notes

This is a sample of what the *sides* package for L^AT_EX can do.

Act I

Scene 1

2003, New York City. The CAT and ELEANOR are engaging in conversation upon a meadow.

CAT

Meow. I am a kitten. Kittens like to meow.

ELEANOR

Yes, indeed. (*Pause.*) But the question is, do cats like to typeset in L^AT_EX?

CAT

I do not know. Let us find out!

They exit.

Scene 2

Five hours later. ELEANOR enters and rushes across the stage.

ELLIE

(*Angrily.*) My document class does not work! The cat has destroyed my code!

ELEANOR exits.

Interlude

The CAT is eating a biscuit on top of a roof.

CAT

Cats are not known to give monologues. But they are also not known to talk. So I am an exception.

You see, all is relative—including class paths. Eleanor failed in that she did not take this into account.

This is a mighty tasty biscuit.

The CAT exits.

Act II

The Final Scene

Three days later. ELEANOR and the CAT speak to each other upon a roof on a stormy night. ELEANOR is about to jump off the edge.

CAT

Do not jump, dear girl!

ELEANOR

But I must! For I cannot write my documents in L^AT_EX! (*She jumps.*)

CAT

No!

Blackout. We hear the sound of a “splat”. End of play.