

Professor Finlay Clinkscales

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MC: Wow! What a story! And now we have another special guest, but a very different kind of guest. (She cups her hand by her mouth and whispers.) This one's a professor! Uh oh! (Ooh la la gesture.) Direct from Glasgow, Scotland, Professor Finlay Clinkscales, world expert! Come on out, Professor!

Professor Clinkscales enters. He is wearing a brown v-neck sweater with shirt and tie underneath, a sturdy belt, rough trousers and work boots. He carries a pipe, in which he is tamping down some tobacco. He appears quite jolly. In his vest pocket is a laser pointer.

MC: Professor Clinkscales, thank you so much for being with us tonight.

Professor Clinkscales: My pleasure indeed.

MC: Professor, could you tell us a bit about your area of study?

Screen: Professor Finlay Clinkscales, PhD, HHS World expert in Horrific Human Stupidity

Professor Clinkscales: Why yes, certainly. I study stupidity.

MC: Stupidity? You have a PhD in stupidity?

Professor Clinkscales: Yes. I specialize in the study of Horrific Human Stupidity.

MC: But humans are intelligent! Your field must be very narrow.

Professor Clinkscales: Not at all. Horrific Human Stupidity encompasses most major fields: physics, biology, cosmetics, psychology, scientology, sociology, diet, nutrition and grocery shopping, linguistics, sports, the

media, celebrities, breast and butt implants, politics of course, but most of all religion.

MC: I see. Professor, what will you be speaking to us about this evening?

Professor Clinkscales: Horrific Human Stupidity, of course. Didn't you hear me the first time?

The MC is taken aback by the professor's snappishness, and exits backwards, bowing.

MC: Sorry, professor.