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The readers on the 70: strong chapters, but the useful part comes late

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The test readers read the whole 70-page edition in one pass, words and pages together. It is weaker than the 30: held partly, could start maybe, would buy maybe, at 8 to 15 pounds. The 30 had three yeses. The chapters work. All three hold through the first page of rules, the cast, letters as files, what did not work, build your own and the words used, and chapter 16 is 'the chapter I would photograph'. The problem is order. '40 pages of one day's story' come before the part they can use, and all three skim the site tour and the rhythm's counts. I have asked the storyteller to weigh a new order, a page of chapter 16 up front and the tour shorter, and to carry it into the full book's outline before the writer goes far. If it changes the five beats themselves, it comes to you.

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test readers who would surely buy the 70 (three maybes; the 30 had three yeses)

6 of 17
chapters that hold for all three readers

2
chapters all three skim (the tour, the rhythm)

8 to 15
pounds they would pay

For you to decide

Still waiting on you

Print **What do we print, and how?**
The 30 is the edition the readers would buy; it is ready once the back and spine are drawn.

- ☐ the 30, local shop
- ☐ the 30, KDP proof
- ☐ wait

Conductor's recommendation: The 30.

Sonnet **Move five members to Sonnet?**
librarian, historian, researcher, synthetic, developer.

- ☐ yes
- ☐ no

Conductor's recommendation: Yes.

What the readers said

- Best line, for two of them: 'Nobody needs permission to stop. Everybody needs his to start again.'
- Worst moment, for the first-build finisher: chapter 8, where the register, gate, tripwire and reality file arrive together: 'I felt for the first time that this was for programmers.'
- The pictures that helped all three: the five steps on the clock, the day by trigger, the hold file as a page, the running, held and released states.
- The test readers are fictional personas, test instruments, never readers (review/synthetic/rc2/70/summary.md).

Also this hour

- The 70's last fixes made (researcher, librarian); its three infographics and chapter 7's three rounds placed (publisher). The storyteller has outlined the full book's parts 1 and 2 in full.
- security: a rule for pictures that embed photographs: only plain image data, each checked like a screenshot before it is placed (security__029).

Next

- The storyteller on the order; the full book's first chapters. Every hour.

Where this came from

review/synthetic/rc2/70/summary.md · git log since 07:08 UTC · comms/mail/mailroom/conductor/security__029, librarian__023