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Extract

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CHARACTERS

SIMONE: a young woman

NICOLE: a young woman

Simone and Nicole are sitting together at a table with a mug of coffee each. Simone is relating her experience of the improvisation class she has been attending in the hope of being put forward as a possible castaway on Bear Grylls island.

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- SIMONE So Sheldon said 'think hot, Simone'.....
'Think hot,' he said fixing me with those deep blue eyes.
- NICOLE And you were standing barefoot in the tray of cat litter....
- SIMONE To get the feel of standing on the sandy shore of a desert island.
- NICOLE 'Experience is the master,' Sheldon always says.
- SIMONE 'It's getting hotter, Simone,' he said again. Who in the group is drawn to be the sun?'
- NICOLE You were really concentrating....
- SIMONE Really concentrating until Celia Omrod got out her pen torch and said.....
- SIMONE)
NICOLE) **(TOGETHER)** I'll be the sun.
- NICOLE Just because she's got blond hair. Typical.
- SIMONE Sheldon said 'Celia, darling, stand on a chair love as the sun would be very high at this time of day.'
- NICOLE And did she?
- SIMONE Yes anything to be noticed.
- NICOLE So there you were with the sun high in the sky.
- SIMONE 'It's very hot on this desert island now,' Sheldon said – 'what would you do?'
- NICOLE You wanted to strip?
- SIMONE Anyone would. I took off my cardigan. Just threw it to the floor...'I must stop you there,' Sheldon said. All right with me I said - I'm more than ready to receive instruction.
- NICOLE A plus point in your favour.
- SIMONE He said 'would you really throw your cardigan to the ground like that to get matted in the island sand and covered in creepy crawlies. Marooned, I think it would be more precious to you.
- NICOLE It was that one you bought in a charity shop.
- SIMONE I said that as I was all alone on this sandy shore did it matter. He said, have you thought there might be primitive natives on the

Island who at any moment might rush down to the sea. Would you want them to be tripped up by an object totally alien to their culture – a cardigan lying in the sand?