

Tuesday

Dear Walter -

Mrs. Nga and I are so  
excited about coming to  
your class February 11<sup>th</sup>

I have heard so much about  
you and your class sounds  
very special.

I have talked to a  
woman called Ruth Benzel  
at Harper + Row and

She will be in touch with<sup>(2)</sup>  
you about the books.

In the meantime I'm finding  
some clippings about Shallow  
Graves.

Best wishes for a merry  
Christmas and Happy New

Year - and thank you.

Love  
Wendy

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Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>

Dear Walter -

Now that I am back in the  
freezing cold rain of New York City,  
I wanted to thank you for  
making possible one of the most  
memorable days of my life. I  
mean it when I said that next  
to the moment Random House accepted  
Shallow Graves, your class is the  
highlight of the book.

What a class! They laughed, cried,  
were quiet. To read to that many  
people somehow makes the book  
alive in a new way. I really  
think you are doing something  
important and new by having  
such a class. I was very moved  
by many of the comments and so

was Mrs. Wgr. She is so in love  
with Santa Barbara, she says she will  
buy back the noodle card + start  
a business. (It was a special  
week weather-wise along with all  
the rest.)

Thank you for having us back  
next year. We're already excited  
by the prospect. Let me know  
if any of the students have questions.

What did you think of the TV?  
I thought we all were good  
even if your shoes do squeak  
and you've outgrown your hair.  
Actually I thought you looked and  
sounded great.

I'm sending three photos  
as souvenirs — in one we are all  
laughing — but nothing can capture  
that day — With lots of love,  
I can't think of a better way to come home in  
every sense of  
the word.





