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exploring a wider range of writers that extends beyond Swift and his

vehement critique of enthusiasm, Eron charts a positive ref