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1.	Persian	Pomp	and	Circumstance (1:1	-8)

**2. Trouble in the Palace** (1:9-22)

**3. Who Would be Queen?** (2:1-18)

**4. A Plot Uncovered** (2:19-23)

A Mighty King

An Expedient Jew

A Beautiful Queen

A Sovereign God