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Thanks to Trent Dalton for a brilliant and tear-jerking Clive James eulogy. I can almost hear Clive chuckling at his rebuke to the Grim Reaper: Trent also makes this place great.

Rhoda Silber, Manly, NSW

Trent Dalton's beautifully penned tribute to the inimitable Clive James demonstrates that his multi-talented legacies live on, inspiring the next generation to be their best.

Mandy Macmillan, Singleton, NSW

In Clive James we had a unique wordsmith who could sculpture a phrase with such wit and wonder. We thank him so much.

Gary Ford, Surfers Paradise, Qld

Clive James was the quintessential Australian zinger-phrase master. His humour says be watchful, and don't be taken in by anything that restricts our sense of thought and participation.

Kon Parris, North Parramatta, NSW

Clive James had few equals. So good was he that most other writers played catch-up all their lives. His wit knew no boundaries.

Ken Johnston, Rochedale South, Qld

Will Steffen warns that our planet is cascading towards a hothouse and we must do something (28/11). We should demand China shut down its coal-fired power plants.

Peter Clarke, Corinda, Qld

Douglas Mackenzie refers me to the article in Nature titled “Climate tipping points — too risky to ignore”. (Letters, 29/11). It is an opinion piece that postulates the anthropogenic nature of climate change. That remains unproven. Ian Plimer argues that change is inherent in the nature of climate. Attempts by humans to alter global climate represent a waste of resources.

Mike Tsykin, Elsternwick, Vic

Climate catastrophists must believe in a very dumb Gaia. The god who created the universe is capable of adapting its, his or her creation to cope with a 0.04 per cent increase in CO2 levels.

Peter R. Tredenick, Paddington, Qld

Plaudits to the Queensland government for legislating a \$1000 fine for drivers using mobile phones. Drivers should know the dangers inherent in driving while talking on a mobile phone. Too many people are being killed and injured on our roads due to non-compliance on this.

John Jolliffe, Buderim, Qld

One of the criticisms of President Donald Trump is his erratic nature. But he’s consistent in his liking of dictators. In reports, he did not want to pass laws on Hong Kong in case he offended Chinese President Xi Jinping. He seems to admire the type of leaders who rule their countries undemocratically.

Jeff Stokes, Largs Bay, SA.