

TOM ~~No, sir. Scared I'd have to face up to what I didn't do.~~

MR. GILMER ~~You bein' impudent to me, boy?~~

TOM ~~I didn't go to be.~~

~~(Dill stands up in the balcony and runs out.)~~

JEAN LOUISE ~~I didn't hear the end of Mr. Gilmer's cross-examination because Dill suddenly left the balcony.~~

REV. SYKES ~~(to Scout) You'd better go.~~

JEAN LOUISE ~~Dill had seemed to be all right that day, nothing wrong with him.~~

MR. GILMER ~~No more questions.~~

JUDGE ~~You can step down, Mr. Robinson.~~

~~(As Tom slowly rises and goes back to his place next to Atticus, the lights change. Dill runs on stage into a pool of light representing a courthouse hallway. Scout catches up with him.)~~

SCOUT 'smatter with you?

DILL I'm okay.

SCOUT The heat got you? Ain't you feeling good?

DILL Said I was okay.

SCOUT Then why'd you run out?

DILL It's just him I couldn't stand.

SCOUT Who?

DILL That old Mr. Gilmer doin' Tom thataway, talking so hateful to him.

SCOUT Dill, that's just his job. He's supposed to act that way, he was just cross-

DILL I know all that, Scout. It was just the way he said it made me sick, plain sick.

SCOUT That's just Mr. Gilmer's way, Dill, he does 'em all that way. They all do, most lawyers, I mean.

DILL Mr. Finch doesn't.

SCOUT He's not an example, Dill, he's - he's just himself.

DILL I think I'm beginning to understand something. I think I'm beginning to understand why Boo Radley stays shut up in the house all the time...it's because he wants to stay inside.

SCOUT ~~C'mon, Dill. You all right now?~~

~~JEAN LOUISE We raced back up the two flights of stairs and edged our way along the balcony rail. Atticus was halfway through his speech to the jury.~~

~~(The lights change back to the courtroom. Atticus has stood and is addressing the jury.)~~

ATTICUS ~~...absence of any corroborative evidence, this man was indicted on a capital charge and is now on trial for his life. (He turns to Judge Taylor.) With the court's permission - (Judge Taylor nods. Atticus takes off his suitcoat and hangs it on the back of his chair.)~~

SCOUT ~~(arriving back in the balcony) Shoot, we missed it. (to Jem) How long's he been at it?~~

JEM ~~He's just gone over the evidence, and we're gonna win, Scout. I don't see how we can't.~~

ATTICUS ~~Gentlemen, this case is not a difficult one. It requires no minute sifting of complicated facts, but it does require you to be sure beyond all reasonable doubt as to the guilt of the defendant. To begin with, this case should never have come to trial. This case is as simple as black and white.~~

~~The State has not produced one iota of evidence, medical or otherwise, that the crime Tom Robinson is charged with ever took place. It has relied instead upon the testimony of two witnesses - witnesses whose testimony has not only been called into serious question on cross-examination, but has been flatly contradicted by the defendant. The defendant is not guilty, but somebody in this courtroom is.~~

~~(He looks at Mayella.) I have nothing but pity in my heart for the chief witness for the state. But my pity does not extend so far as to her putting a man's life at stake. Which is what's she's done in an effort to get rid of her own guilt.~~

~~I say guilt, gentlemen, because it was guilt that motivated her. She~~