

# THE INTERVIEW

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ASHLEY BEGINS TO FLIP THROUGH THE CHANNELS.



ASHLEY BEGINS TO WATCH THE MOVIE.



Class, your only homework is to interview someone out of school about hardships, struggle, pain and/or suffering. This person can be your mother, father, aunt, uncle etc.



I don't know I could ask my mom ... how about you?

Hey Sarah-Jane who are you going to write about?

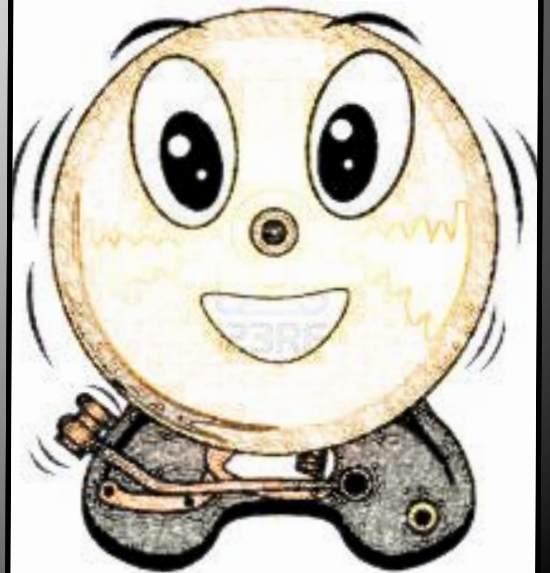




I'M THINKING  
ABOUT  
INTERVIEWING MY  
GRANDFATHER.




Hey  
Sarah-jane  
and Emily hush,  
talk about whatever  
you're talking about  
when class is  
over.



**SCHOOL IS OVER.**




**SARAH-JANE  
AND EMILY  
BOTH WALK  
HOME FROM  
SCHOOL.**



I HAVE A BETTER  
IDEA. WHY DON'T YOU  
INTERVIEW YOUR  
GRANDMOTHER? SHE HAS  
VERY GOOD STORIES  
AND I'M SURE SHE  
WON'T MIND.

HEY, MOM CAN I  
INTERVIEW YOU ABOUT  
PAIN AND STRUGGLE?

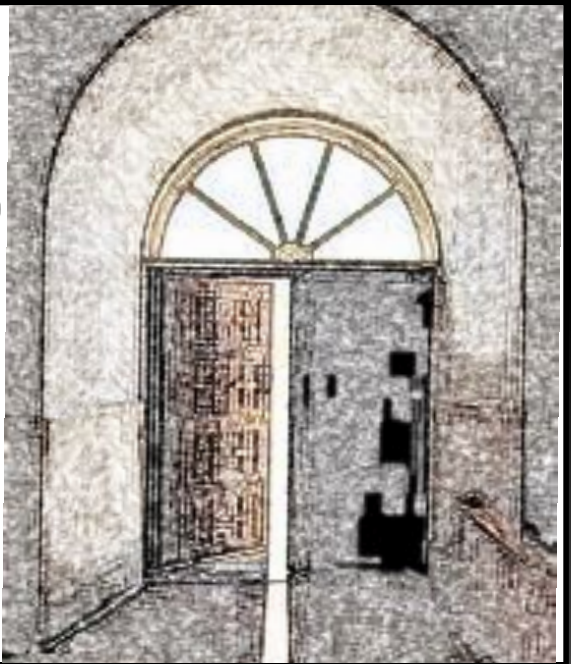


GOOD IDEA MOM! I'M  
GOING TO GO OVER HER  
HOUSE RIGHT NOW. BE  
RIGHT BACK.





Who is it ?



OH HEY BABY!  
HOW'S IT  
GOING?



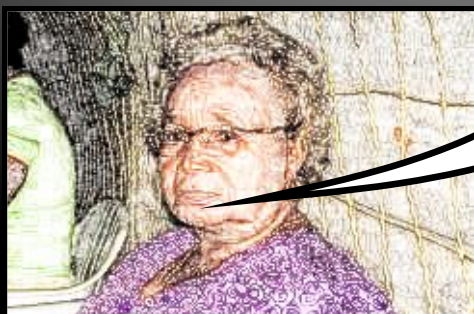
I'M FINE.  
GRANDMA  
CAN I  
INTERVIEW  
YOU?



SURE  
BABY WHAT  
YOU WANNA  
INTERVIEW ME  
ABOUT?

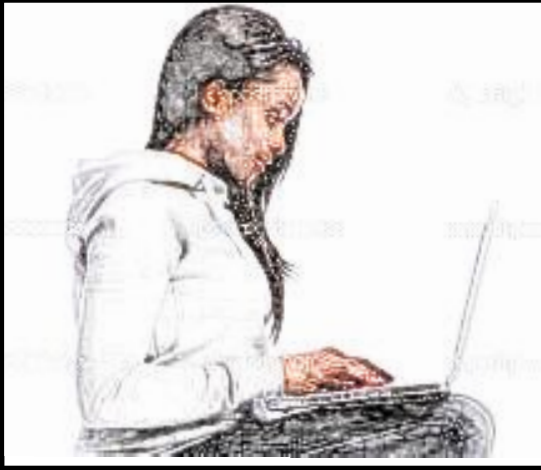


TALK  
TO ME  
ABOUT WHAT  
HAPPENED TO  
YOU IN  
1955.



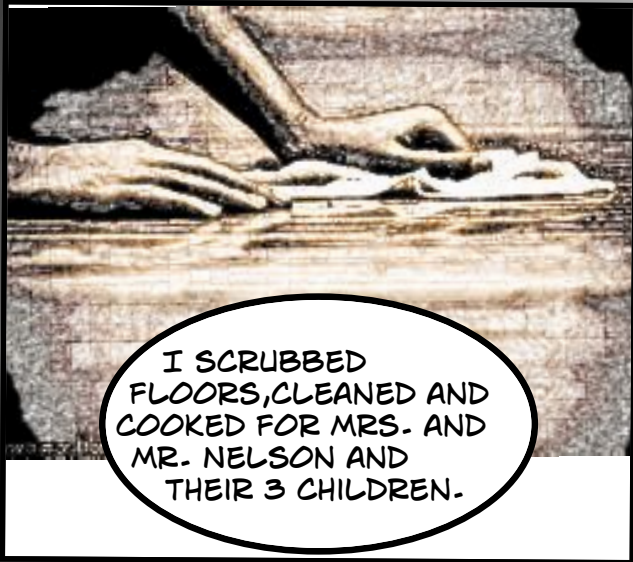
1955?  
WOO BABY THAT  
WAS OVER 50 YEARS  
AGO. LET ME THINK  
BACK FOR A  
MOMENT...





I WAS 24 YEARS OLD AND I WAS WORKING FOR THIS WHITE WOMEN NAMED MRS. NELSON

GOES BACK IN TIME...



I SCRUBBED FLOORS, CLEANED AND COOKED FOR MRS. AND MR. NELSON AND THEIR 3 CHILDREN.



I WORKED DAY IN AND DAY OUT. I NEVER GOT A BREAK. I GOT MADE \$15 A WEEK.



WHAT! OMG GRANDMA ONLY \$15 A WEEK! HOW DID YOU SURVIVE OFF THAT?



HONEY, I MADE IT WORK. IT'S CALLED SACRIFICE.





THE NELSON'S WERE VERY WEALTHY. THEY OWNED A STORE, BUT IT WAS A WHITE ONLY STORE.



MR. NELSON WASN'T A NICE MAN. WHEN WE DID SOMETHING WRONG HE WOULD YELL AT US OR EVEN HIT US.



YOU BLACK BITCH! DUMB NIGGER!

I HATED WHEN HE CALLED ME THAT. I HATED WHEN HE HIT ME!



WHY DIDN'T YOU QUIT? WHY DID YOU ALLOW HIM TO KEEP HITTING YOU?



IT WAS HARD GETTING JOBS, I HAD TO MAKE MONEY SOME TYPE OF WAY. I HAD NO CHOICE.



ONE DAY WHEN I WAS CLEANING UP MR. NELSON WAS IN THE KITCHEN DRINKING. HE WAS SO DRUNK



HE WALKED TO WHERE I WAS AT AND HE GRABBED MY SHIRT, HE HIT ME AND DRAGGED ME INTO THIS ROOM.





I SCREAMED, I TRIED TO FIGHT HIM OFF. HE WAS STRONGER THEN ME. HE RAPED ME!



I HATED HIM! HE RAPED ME AND I COULDN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT. I FELT LIKE TRASH. I WAS WORTHLESS.



I CRIED EVERYDAY.



GRANDMA, OMG YOUR MAKING ME CRY! I CAN'T BELIEVE PEOPLE COULD BE SO MEAN AND CONTROLLING!



WAIT, WHAT WAS THAT MAN NAME AGAIN?



HIS NAME WAS JOHN NELSON.





JOHN NELSON? I HEARD THAT NAME BEFORE, I JUST CAN'T REMEMBER WHERE I HEARD IT FROM.... OMG EMILY'S GRANDDAD NAME IS JOHN NELSON!



WHAT! MAYBE IT'S NOT THE SAME PERSON SARAH! DON'T ASSUME ANYTHING!



NO NO. GRANDMA IT'S HIM! HE USE TO OWN A STORE, BUT NOW EMILY'S DAD OWNS IT! GRAND MOM OMG EMILY'S GRAND POP RAPED YOU!



I..GOTTA GO! THANKS GRANDMA THAT INTERVIEW WAS AWESOME. I WILL TALK TO YOU LATER.

SARAH-JANE LEAVES HER GRAND MOM'S HOUSE AND RUNS FAST TO EMILY'S HOUSE.







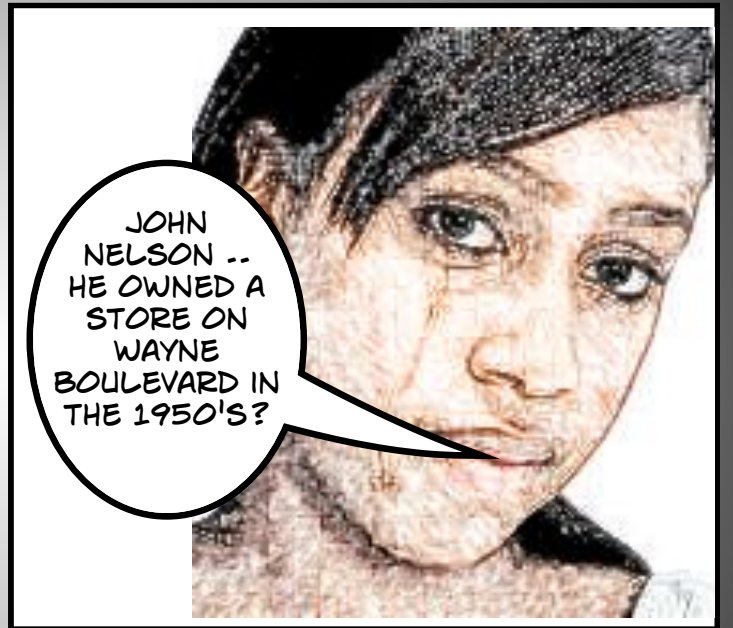
HEY SARAH-JANE  
WASSUP?



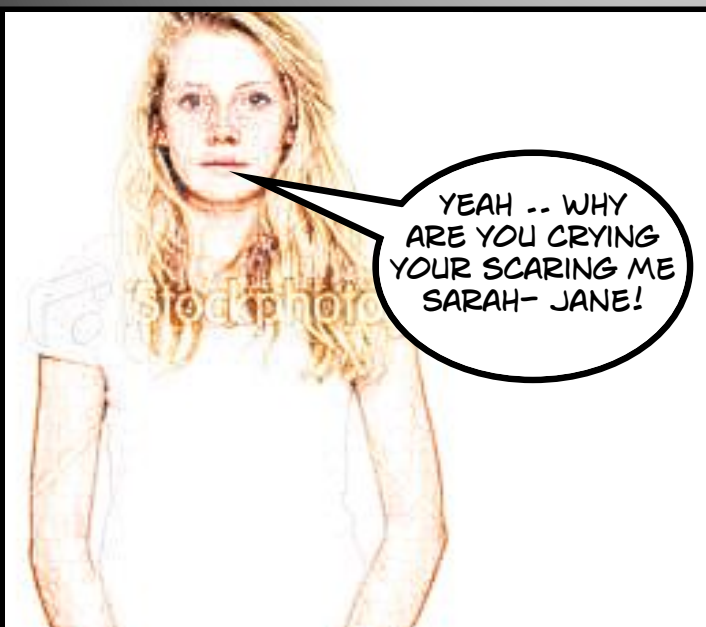
WHA.. WHAT IS  
YOUR  
GRANDFATHERS  
NAME?



JOHN NELSON  
WHY?



JOHN  
NELSON ..  
HE OWNED A  
STORE ON  
WAYNE  
BOULEVARD IN  
THE 1950'S?



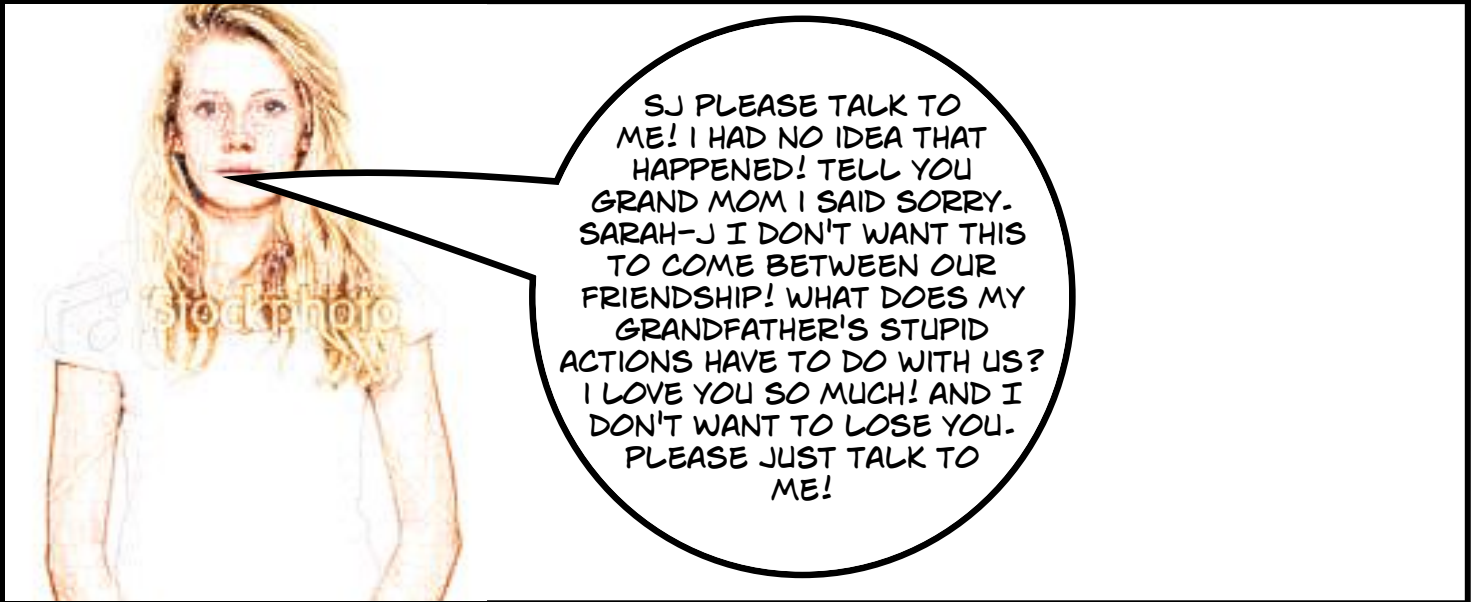
YEAH -- WHY  
ARE YOU CRYING  
YOUR SCARING ME  
SARAH- JANE!



MY  
GRAND  
MOM USE  
TO WORK  
FOR HIM BACK  
IN THE DAY. HE  
HIT HER AND HE  
RAPED HER! I  
HATE YOU AND  
YOUR WHOLE  
FAMILY ! I  
DON'T EVER  
WANNA TALK  
TO YOU  
AGAIN!!



THE NEXT DAY.



SJ PLEASE TALK TO ME! I HAD NO IDEA THAT HAPPENED! TELL YOU GRAND MOM I SAID SORRY. SARAH-J I DON'T WANT THIS TO COME BETWEEN OUR FRIENDSHIP! WHAT DOES MY GRANDFATHER'S STUPID ACTIONS HAVE TO DO WITH US? I LOVE YOU SO MUCH! AND I DON'T WANT TO LOSE YOU. PLEASE JUST TALK TO ME!



I KNOW, I TALKED TO MY MOM ABOUT IT AND SHE TOLD ME I WAS WRONG AND THAT I SHOULD HAVE NEVER TOOK IT OUT ON YOU! I'M SORRY EMILY. I WAS JUST SO UPSET. I NEVER MEANT TO SNAP ON YOU. WHEN MY GRANDMOTHER TOLD ME THAT STORY IT JUST HURT ME AND I SNAPPED. I LOVE YOU TO EMILY! WE ARE STILL BFF'S TILL THE END!

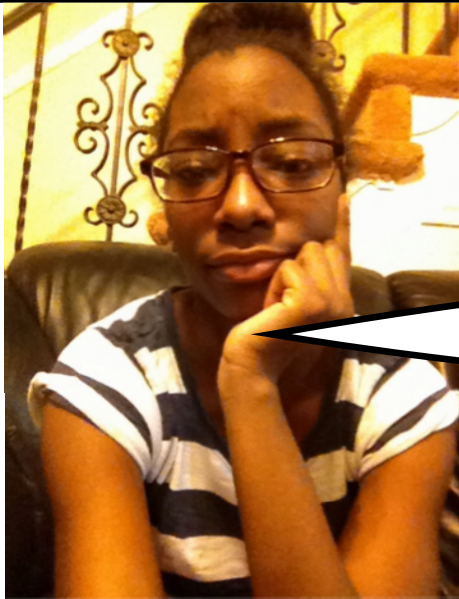


I LOVE YOU

I LOVE YOU MORE!

EMILY AND SARAH-JANE REMAINED FRIENDS AND BOTH GOT AN "A" ON THERE INTERVIEW ASSIGNMENT. SARAH-JANE LEARNED NOT TO LET HER PAST / FAMILY HISTORY AFFECT HER FUTURE/ FRIENDSHIPS.





THAT MOVIE WAS REALLY  
GOOD! IT HAD ME THINKING  
ABOUT MY FAMILY'S HISTORY.  
CAN'T WAIT TO WATCH IT  
AGAIN!