

THE BREAK II - ETCHING

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SHOOTING SCRIPT

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1 **INT. LUCY'S BEDROOM - [DAY 1]**

Local radio station playing music in the background. LUCY is sat on her bed. She is holding a dried bloodied T-shirt with a distinctive logo.

2 **EXT. URBAN ESTATE - [DAY 1]**

Front door slams shut. Male footsteps, trainers, walking to the local nearby shop.

3 **INT. LUCY'S BEDROOM - [DAY 1]**

LUCY presses the timer on her digital alarm clock - counting down from five minutes - urgent and determined.

LUCY
Five minutes fifty-eight seconds
...that's all I got.

She pulls a hold-all from under her bed. She shoves the blood-stained T-shirt into the bottom of the hold-all.

LUCY (CONT'D)
C'mon Lucy use your nous focus,
focus c'mon.

We hear the radio in the background (established as subtle diegetic news - a local weather and traffic report).

She anxiously looks around her room.

We see unwashed plates, mugs on a tray as if they have been here for a while.

There are desperate etchings/carvings done with a knife... her name carved artistically into the door... 'Lucy is ere', 'Here Lucy is', 'Is Lucy ere?', 'Lucy, Lucy, Lucy,'

Breaking the fourth wall she talks to the camera:

LUCY (CONT'D)
Sez I got crap going on in ma
head...

She rushes to her draws and pulls out essentials i.e. clothes and underwear.

LUCY (CONT'D)
Connor, me big brother, shouting
"you don't use your nous Lucy, not
sure what's going on in that head
of yours, you don't know what's
good for ya, there's crap hammered
into that head of yours".

We see a St. George flag hanging on the wall and racist leaflets from 'Britain's Front' a local white extremist group, all over her bedroom floor. A photo of LUCY and CONNOR during happier times on one of the 'Britain's Front' marches they used to attend. LUCY is wearing the (clean) T-shirt that she was holding in the beginning.

She stops suddenly as she hears a police siren outside her window, too close for comfort. As the police siren fades into the distance she, relieved, carries on packing, speaking to camera as she does so:

LUCY (CONT'D)

Then he locks me in house cos he's scared shitless! Well, he's going to have shock of his life cos its him who hasn't got any brains... it's him who actually doesn't know what's good for him, I'm telling ya!

She checks the timer: 3:15, 3:14... continues to pack:

RADIO

... Following this weekend's disturbances the hunt for the killer of Mohammed Karim continues. Police are unable to confirm if the murder was a racially motivated hate-crime sparking off the disturbances/

LUCY abruptly switches the radio off.

LUCY

Only so much background noise you can handle.

Smiles nervously. She continues to pack talking to camera.

Referring to the etchings/scribbles on the door.

LUCY (CONT'D)

These past few weeks I starts doing that again, in ere, trapped in these four walls... as if this time I'm etching me way out of here, forever, like I used to, carving me name into walls out there...

(Reflecting)

I'd scrape me name carefully, slowly using a pen-knife, deep into the concrete, so idiots see when they'd walk past, etched into this land, my land... my flag...

BEAT. Back to the moment. Looking at the etchings on her door.

LUCY (CONT'D)
 Does send you loopy being ere in
 all the time though!

She packs her precious pencils, colours, and paints. Frantically starts looking through her art work wanting to pack her favourite pieces - we see dynamic sketches of the Union Jack. As LUCY flicks through they tell a story of awakening via her college art course from her nationalistic view to a more multi-cultural landscape.

LUCY (CONT'D)
 I loved doing Union Jack, only cos
 it's like this big star - dynamic
 like. Sabi, me tutor she sez why
 not try colours, different
 contrasts, dint want to listen to
 her, but I did cos she was me tutor
 like, even though she's foreign,
 she were right.

We see a Union Jack in different colours and shades. She then shows a painting of an inner city multicultural crowd - portraits of diverse faces.

LUCY (CONT'D)
 Never thought I'd do anything like
 this.

INSERT: (INT. CLASSROOM - DAY): We see a glimpse of SABI hover over the shoulder of LUCY as she draws. We see LUCY decorate her hand with Henna.

Then she looks at her sketch of SABI - her influential tutor (Asian female 45ish), with a quote written on it: "standout firmly for justice, even as against your parents or your kin -"

She quickly packs the sketch in her hold-all. Looks at the photo of her and CONNOR.

LUCY (CONT'D)
 I hate the party, these marches,
 shouting what we do, it warps you
 mind, makes you sick! Maybe if I'd
 not let him borrow my T-shirt, but
 he dint have anything clean.
 (Beat)
 Sabi, me tutor only person in the
 world whose ever given me time of
 day.

INSERT: (INT. HALLWAY / STAIRCASE - DAY): LUCY on the phone.

LUCY (CONT'D)
 Only thing I could do was call her.

INSERT: (INT. HALLWAY / STAIRCASE - DAY): LUCY on the phone talking to SABI.

LUCY (CONT'D)
 "I got something to tell you, really important. Mohammed Karim, know who done it. I'm suffering family honour abuse, like you did," she, Sabi sez

INSERT: (INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY) ECU of SABI's mouth:

SABI
 "Use your head Lucy, just like I had to".

Finished packing she zips up her hold-all and takes a moment.

We see the timer on the clock: 00:30, 00:29...

LUCY
 You know when you spend time on your own like this, like a long time, like weeks that become months, focuses your brain. I know every sound and rhythm, I know his **routine**, I know Connor's footsteps like the sounds and beats on the digits of the clock. What each differing car sounds like.

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A car pulls up in the distance outside her window.

LUCY (CONT'D)
 So I uses me head, like everyone sez, I knew I got to get evidence, timing him, as he's nipped out to get a pint of milk, I found it, the T-shirt.

INSERT: (INT. KITCHEN - DAY) LUCY finding the T-shirt hidden in a bin bag underneath the kitchen sink. We hear CONNOR with a BUNCH OF LADS in the background.

LUCY (CONT'D)
 It takes him approximately five minutes to get a pint of milk.

The alarm goes on the timer she had set at the beginning at five minutes.

She reads the quote she's memorized from SABI to herself:

LUCY
 "standout firmly for justice, even as against your parents or your kin"

Throws her bed-sheets attached to a St. George flag, out of her window as an escape rope, she takes her packed hold-all, using this, she climbs out of her bedroom window...

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4. EXT. URBAN ESTATE - [DAY 1]

She lands in her urban estate. Looks back at the house. Then at the camera.

She runs to the car. SABI (Asian, 45ish, western clothes) gets out of the car and they hug.

SABI ushers LUCY into the car they drive off.

END.