

# Home Front

## Episode 5

**8<sup>th</sup> August 1914 – Adam Wilson**

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**(MUSIC – HOME FRONT SIG TUNE STARTS, CONTINUING  
UNDER TITLE AND SPEECH. 33 SECS IN TOTAL)**

**SCENE 1                    INT. WILSON HOUSEHOLD. BREAKFAST.**

ADAM                    Why aren't you at work?

KITTY                    Last night was my night off wasn't it.

ADAM                    Yeh but you're normally gone by now.

**KITTY GOES BACK TO LETTER.**

ADAM                    Is that a letter?

KITTY                    No it's a violin.

ADAM                    Who's it from?

**KITTY DOESN'T RESPOND**

ADAM

I said who's it from?

KITTY

That's not your business is it?

ADAM

You crying?

KITTY

No.

ADAM

What you crying for?

KITTY

Adam.

ADAM

What?

KITTY

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FLORRIE                   What is this?

SAM                        What?

KITTY                     The photograph.

SAM                        What photograph?

ADAM                     You're on the front page.

SAM                        Am I? Can I see?

**FLORRIE SHOWS HIM THE NEWSPAPER.**

ADAM                     You and Jimmy and the Vicar's dog.

FLORRIE                 I've never been more ashamed in my life.

KITTY                     You were only supposed to take the dog for a walk.

FLORRIE                 Now everyone will think we're like them won't they.

KITTY                     You had no right to enter that dog in a competition.

FLORRIE                 They'll think ooh Wilsons as bad as Macknades. Thick as thieves they are.

ADAM                     The Macknades are thieves.

FLORRIE                 Thieves and worse. The Daddy's a drunk and the mother's a-

SAM                        A what?

FLORRIE                 Never you mind.

SAM                        What's a neveryoumind?

KITTY                     Says here you won a shilling.

ADAM                     Did you?

SAM Yeh.

ADAM A whole shilling? All to yourselves?

SAM Yeh.

KITTY Well where is it?

FLORRIE Where's the money?

SAM Erm I shared it. With Jimmy. So it was only six pence.

KITTY Only six pence. Only six pence he says.

FLORRIE Your sister's had her wages docked.

KITTY Vicar's wife – she's hardly speaking to me.

FLORRIE Well to be fair you should never have let them walk the dog in the first place.

KITTY I trusted them.

FLORRIE You trusted a Macknade.

KITTY I trusted Sam.

ADAM More fool you.

KITTY Hand it over.

SAM Hand what over?

ADAM The money Dummy.

SAM I haven't got it.

FLORRIE Where is it?

SAM I spent it.

FLORRIE On what?

SAM Sweets.

FLORRIE Six pence all on sweets. Sam Wilson.

**FLORRIE HITS HIM.**

SAM                   Ow!

**SAM NEARLY CRYING.**

SAM                   Adam's got more money than I ever had!

ADAM                 No I haven't!

SAM                   Liar you've got ten shillings hidden under your  
pillow!

ADAM                 You're the liar!

FLORRIE             Where would Adam get ten shillings?

SAM                   I dunno. He won't tell me.

ADAM                 He's lying.

FLORRIE             What you lying for?

SAM                   I'm not.

KITTY                 Oh Lord.

FLORRIE             What?

KITTY                 Look at the time. I'll be in even more trouble  
with Mrs W.

FLORRIE             Better hurry Sweetheart.

KITTY                 You haven't heard the end of this Sam.

FLORRIE             Well you're definitely not going to that picnic.

SAM                   Ah Mum!

FLORRIE             You don't deserve it!

SAM                   But Mum.

**KITTY IS PREPARING TO LEAVE.**

FLORRIE             Kitty?

KITTY

Yes?

SAM I thought you liked him.

FLORRIE I do like him. I do. But that's not the point is it?

SAM Can I still go on the picnic?

FLORRIE No chance.

SAM I'll be good. I'll be good forever. I'll be good for the rest of my life.

ADAM No you won't.

FLORRIE You're not going Sam and that's that. That's final.

SAM But it's not like a normal picnic. It's a picnic for God.

ADAM How is it a picnic for God?

SAM Bec



ADAM                    Why've I got to take him?

FLORRIE                Because I've got ninety nine washes to do and I don't want either of you under my feet. And I don't want Sam to get into any more trouble.

ADAM                    The Vicar'll be there. And whatsername Miss Graham.

FLORRIE                Will Jimmy Macknade be there?

SAM                     Yeh he will yeh he's very excited. Everyone's going to get a scotch egg. A whole one.

FLORRIE                Well if Jimmy's there then Adam you've got to go. I don't want him getting Sam in trouble or getting him shot.

ADAM                    Jimmy hasn't gone a gun. It belonged to the soldier.

FLORRIE                Well Jimmy must have stole it.

SAM                     No. The soldier was teaching us how to fire it.

FLORRIE                Am I supposed to believe that?

SAM                     Yeh cos it's true.

**FLORRIE CLOUTS SAM**

SAM                     Ow!





JESSIE                    That doesn't seem fair Miss.

ISABEL                    Erm well erm...

JESSIE                    Jessie, Miss.

ISABEL                    No it doesn't Jessie but I don't like to defy a  
parent's wishes.

JESSIE                    He's probably just saying that Adam Miss.

ADAM                      I am not.

JESSIE                    Well I'm the one brought the cakes. And my  
Dad made them. And if my Dad made them  
then I can give them to whoever I want and  
maybe I won't give one to you and I will give  
one to Sam.

SAM                        Ha!

ADAM                      Shut up Sam.



RALPH                    Have you seen Isabel?

ADAM                    Who?

RALPH                    I meant I mean Miss Graham.

ADAM                    She was packing up the picnic things.

RALPH                    I can't see her. Keep an eye on the younger  
ones would you Adam?

ADAM

**SCENE 4                    EXTERIOR. TREE. NEAR THE ZIG ZAG  
PATH.**

**ADAM IS SITTING IN THE TREE. JESSIE IS  
CLIMBING UP TO JOIN HIM.**

JESSIE                    What you doing?

ADAM                     Go away.

JESSIE                    You in a mood?

ADAM                     This is my tree Jessie, alright? Go and find your  
own tree.

JESSIE                    This is the best one.

**JESSIE CLIMBS UP A BIT FURTHER.**

**ADAM REACTS WITH A KIND OF TUT.**

JESSIE                    I brought you a doughnut.

ADAM                     I don't want it.

JESSIE                    I don't believe you.

ADAM                     Has it got jam in it?

JESSIE                    Yeh.

**JESSIE HANDS THE DOUGHNUT TO ADAM**

ADAM                     I wasn't lying. She really did say not to let Sam  
have any cake. And he tried to get me into  
trouble. Just to save his own skin.

JESSIE                    How did he do that?

ADAM                     What?

JESSIE                    How did he try and get you in trouble?

ADAM                     I can't tell you.

JESSIE                    Why?

ADAM                    I can't explain without telling you a secret.

JESSIE                    You can trust me. Absolutely trust me.

ADAM                    I can't trust a girl with a secret.

JESSIE                    Yes you can.

ADAM                    You'll tell everyone.

JESSIE                    No I won't.

ADAM                    Do you think if you do something really bad but  
it's not as bad as killing someone. Do you think  
you still go to hell?

JESSIE                    What?

ADAM                    How bad does it have to be to get sent to hell?

JESSIE                    You should ask the Reverend.

ADAM                    But then he'll want to know why I want to know.

JESSIE                    Why do you want to know-

ADAM                    Ssh.

**FX:**



ADAM

ISABEL                   Of course of course. Poor Adam.

                              Children. Children. There's been an accident  
and we need to cut our lovely picnic short. I'm  
sure we've all had a marvellous time but  
unfortunately. Let's gather round. Gather round.  
That's lovely. Well done. Quick as you can.  
That's it. Molly. Andrew. Milly. Sara. Polly.  
Christopher. Simon. Herbert. Humphrey.  
Susan. Margaret. Betty. Johnny B. Johnny M.  
Archie. Eliza. Lawrence, Rose. Robert. Who's  
missing? Jessica? Where's Jessica-

JESSIE                   Here-

ISABEL                   Ah there you are – where's Sam? Where's  
Jimmy?

JESSIE                   Erm.

ISABEL                   Sam! Jimmy!

JESSIE                   I saw them.

ISABEL                   When? How long ago.

JESSIE                   Oh erm I don't know. Not that long.

ISABEL                   Sam! Jimmy!

JESSIE                   Sam! Jimmy!

RALPH                   Hold still Adam. Hold still. Miss Graham's just  
gathering everyone together.

ISABEL                   Sam! Jimmy!

ADAM                    Are they lost? Are Sam and Jimmy lost?

RALPH                   I'm sure they're not. They're probably just  
hiding.

ISABEL