# **TORCHWOOD 2**

Episode 5

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# 1 INT. GWEN'S FLAT/BEDROOM - DAY - 8.30 A.M. - DAY 1 1

PRE-TITLE SEQUENCE

A fully dressed giggling GWEN is being pulled onto the bed by RHYS who is in his underpants.

**GWEN** 

No, I've got to go. I'm late already.

She makes to get up. He pulls her back again, wrestling her.

RHYS

Come on! Let's keep the weekend going!

She tries to be cross but can't help laughing as he pins her down -

**GWEN** 

Rhys!

He kisses her playfully, then looks at her.

RHYS

You're itching to get back to work, aren't you?

She pauses a little too long -

RHYS (CONT'D)

I'll take that as a 'yes'.

**GWEN** 

Having you to come home to, that's the best part.

She kisses him tenderly.

CUT TO:

OWEN (dressed more conservatively than usual: this is a sweeter, shyer, more considerate, "ah, bless!" Owen) sitting next to TOSH at the table, beams at her. TOSH (dressed a little more edgily and sexily than usual: confident in her own sexy skin) rolls her eyes a little -

JACK

Adam... I know how much you love audits.

And then we see him, ADAM SMITH (25, sporty, charming, very attractive) sitting at OWEN's work station as though he's always been there. He smiles openly at JACK as IANTO hands out coffees.

**ADAM** 

Gotta be done.

JACK

If you could...

**ADAM** 

(cutting across)

Go through the investigation reports, see when they may have come through the rift?

JACK

You okay with that?

**ADAM** 

Have been for the past three years.

GWEN enters the Hub. ADAM looks slightly surprised to see her. She takes off her coat, her back to them.

JACK

(to GWEN)

You're late.

GWEN turns, sees ADAM sitting there, approaches, eyeing him warily.

GWEN

(to JACK)

Paris was lovely, thanks!

GWEN looks at JACK re ADAM, frowns.

GWEN (CONT'D)

(re ADAM)

Who the hell is this?

The rest of the team look a bit bemused as ADAM rises, laughs, steps up to her, kisses her cheek.

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We go into slow motion as we focus on this contact.

#### 2A INT - TORCHWOOD, THE HUB

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FLASH CUT: An image of GWEN and ADAM laughing together in the Hub, familiar with each other.

#### 2B INT - TORCHWOOD, THE HUB - MORNING - DAY 1

2B

It is almost as though something jolts through GWEN before she laughs along with him. He keeps hold of her -

**ADAM** 

Just 'cause I said that to you on your first day here. Ages ago now. (beat, fondly)

Time to move on, don't you think?

**GWEN** 

Sorry, couldn't resist. Come here you!

They embrace. The team relax.

Over GWEN's shoulder, unseen by the rest of the team, ADAM grins.

CUT TO:

OPENING TITLES

#### 3 INT TORCHWOOD, THE HUB - DAY 1

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The team works on. ADAM is at OWEN's work station. GWEN is at hers. OWEN approaches TOSH as she works at her work station.

TOSH

Just doing a quick check.

(to GWEN)

We had rift activity two days ago.

(re computer)

Nothing seems to have come through.

OWEN

(funny voice)

Apart from me!

TOSH looks up to see a small screen cleaner toy hamster peeping over the top of the computer screen. She sighs.

TOSH

What's that?

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OWEN

It's a screen-cleaner. Thought you might like it.

OWEN places the hamster on TOSH's desk. Smiling, desperate for TOSH's approval. (So sweet, so smitten)

OWEN (CONT'D)

D'you like it?

TOSH

Just what I need. A small rodent looking at me while I work.

TOSH (CONT'D)

(pointed)

Think I'll call it Owen.

He backs away, smiling pathetically at her.

TOSHIKO moves the rodent somewhere out of her eyeline.

GWEN, IANTO and ADAM have all been watching this. OWEN walks past, gives GWEN a big smile, raises his eyes to

Then the small boy is gone.

GWEN approaches -

**GWEN** 

Jack?

JACK turns round, visibly alarmed. GWEN frowns.

GWEN (CONT'D)

You okay?

JACK recovers -

JACK

Yeah. Sure.

**GWEN** 

Did you miss me?

JACK

(a grin)

Were you gone?

She thumps him playfully. JACK laughs, then turns on the lights as he continues his check, one eye glancing continually towards the far end of the Vaults.

CUT TO:

## 5 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB - DAY 1

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ADAM is at TOSH's work station in the empty hub. He is rather hurriedly writing up his own personal file - Adam Smith, 25, expert on alien language patterns, recruited 3 years ago. TOSH comes out of the autopsy room, holding a small beautiful azure and golden hand carved box. It seems to be made of wood and gold..

TOSH

Got a moment?

ADAM

Yep, just finished updating details of rift activity.

We see the screen. It is ADAM's file. As TOSH crosses to him, he immediately presses screen saver -

TOSH

Any idea when this came through? It's got a low Meezon energy reading.

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She grabs her work bag, gets out a gun, trains it on him. He is truly scared now.

GWEN (CONT'D)

I know how to use this. Who are you and what do you want?

RHYS

You know who I am...

**GWEN** 

Fine, if you won't tell me.

GWEN reaches for the phone, the gun still pointing at  $\mathtt{RHYS}$ .

GWEN (CONT'D)

(on phone)

Someone's broken into my flat. He knows my name. He had a key.

RHYS

(angry, exasperated)

Because I live here. With you.

GWEN

(on phone)

Hurry, Jack. He's a nutter.

RHYS stares at her in horror as she looks at him, the gun pointed at his chest. Such hostility in her eyes.

GWEN (CONT'D)

You picked the wrong girl to stalk, mate.

CUT TO:

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## 8 EXT. GWEN'S FLAT - NIGHT - DAY 1

ADAM and JACK are outside GWEN's door. They have their guns out. JACK pushes the door open. As they enter -

JACK

(shouting)

Gwen. It's us.

GWEN (O.S.)

In here.

CUT TO:

## 9 INT. GWEN'S FLAT/LOUNGE - NIGHT 1 - CONTINUOUS.

JACK enters and is stunned to see RHYS standing there with his hands in the air. ADAM follows closely behind.

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JACK

What's going on?

GWEN is increasingly wound up.

GWEN

You tell me. He's put photos up of us, look. Must have done it while I was at work. He's deluded. Keeps saying he's my boyfriend.

JACK looks at GWEN, deeply concerned. JACK puts away his gun. So does ADAM.

**JACK** 

He is. It's Rhys.

**GWEN** 

(What?)

I've never seen him before in my life.

JACK

You've been with him for years.

RHYS

(to GWEN)

You see.

**JACK** 

Give me the gun, Gwen.

**GWEN** 

No! He grabbed me, Jack. Who knows what he was going to do?

RHYS

(appalled)

How can you say that?

ADAM

Jack wouldn't do that.

An angry RHYS advances on JACK. GWEN holds up her gun.

RHYS

Are you phasing me out? So you can have her all to yourself?

GWEN

Stay away from him.

GWEN stands between JACK and RHYS, the gun pointing at RHYS. RHYS looks at her, bewildered, betrayed.

RHYS

(to GWEN)

Gwen, we're engaged. I gave you that bloody ring!

GWEN looks at her engagement ring on her hand, confused.

ADAM crosses the room, puts his arm around GWEN.

**ADAM** 

Why don't you come with me to the Hub?

RHYS

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JACK

Trust me, I didn't do this. But whatever's happened, we'll put it right.

CUT TO:

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#### 10 INT. TORCHWOOD, AUTOPSY ROOM / HUB- NIGHT 1

10

OWEN is running tests on GWEN who is still visibly shaken. OWEN completes the scan -

OWEN

No sign of any long term damage as far as I can tell.

They are all clearly relieved. ADAM looks on.

OWEN (CONT'D)

Or alien intervention. But, sorry, I must be missing something, I don't see what brought it on.

**ADAM** 

Could it be stress related? We've all been through a lot, lately.

OWEN

Well, yeah, maybe. The symptoms could suggest a paroxysmal amnesia attack.

(putting two and two
 together)

Which can sometimes be caused by - um, well ... oh, no, doesn't matter-

GWEN

Caused by what?

OWEN

Well, um... sex.

IANTO

(grinning)

You blushing, Owen?

OWEN

No! No! It's just...hot...in here.

**ADAM** 

(to GWEN gently)

And I bet you hardly left that hotel all weekend.

TOSH appears in the doorway -

TOSH

Rhys is up on screen now.

ADAM leads GWEN out of the Autopsy room to a table in the hub. The others make to follow.

**ADAM** 

(to the team)

Let's not crowd her.

The team stands back. ADAM sits with GWEN. On a computer screen is RHYS, still a bit stunned, on camera in GWEN's flat, sitting opposite JACK.

RHYS

(on camera)

Is this really necessary?

**JACK** 

(on camera)

She needs to remember.

(beat)

Where did you meet?

RHYS

(on camera)

College. I was a year above her.

Fancied her the moment I saw her.

JACK

(on camera)

Go on.

RHYS

(on camera)

Not just her looks. I mean, she's a looker...

He breaks off, exasperated.

**JACK** 

(on camera, with

intent)

She needs reminding.

RHYS

(on camera)

She was just so full of life. She loves to laugh. Sometimes, I don't even know what she's laughing at. Me, I suppose, being serious.

He breaks off as the memory causes bitter-sweet pain. He looks at the camera.

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10	CONTINUED: (2)		10
	GWEN listens. ADAM watches her.		
	JACK (on camera) Tell me about your first kiss.		
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		CUT	TO:
13	INT. GWEN'S FLAT/LOUNGE - NIGHT 1 - CONTINUOUS		13
	RHYS In the supermarket. I was going to make her spag bol. Then I realised, didn't I? Bloody garlic. Can't kiss a girl with garlic breath.		
	JACK smiles.		
	RHYS (CONT'D) We were in the queue		
		CUT	TO:
14	INT. TORCHWOOD - THE HUB - NIGHT - CONTINUOUS		14
	GWEN listens. She frowns.		
	RHYS (on camera) And I said I wanted to make something else, spaghetti carbonara or something		
		CUT	TO:
15	INT. GWEN'S FLAT/LOUNGE - NIGHT 1 - CONTINUOUS		15
	RHYS  So she gets pissed off because the queues are so long and we start arguing. And I kick off and end up shouting out why I'm changing the recipe.  (beat)  And she starts laughing and I'm feeling a right prat because everyone's heard and I think maybe she just sees us as mates, you know when she just kisses me. Right there. In the queue.		

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RHYS looks to the camera, tears in his eyes.

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16 <u>INT. TORCHWOOD - THE HUB - NIGHT 1 - CONTINUOUS</u> 16

GWEN looks at RHYS on camera. He is looking at her -

RHYS

(on camera)

And I thought then - I'm going to marry this bloody mad woman ... even if it kills me.

Silence.

ADAM

Do you remember that?

**GWEN** 

Sort of. It's like I'm seeing what he says, but I don't remember how I felt.

ADAM puts his hand on her cheek. She reacts.

**ADAM** 

Believe me when I tell you that he is your fiance. Your memory's playing tricks, that's all. Okay?

He is still touching her. She nods, a little reassured.

CUT TO:

17 INT. GWEN'S FLAT/LOUNGE - NIGHT 1

17

GWEN enters with IANTO. She looks at RHYS warily. He stands there, a little lost. JACK crosses to the door.

**GWEN** 

(whispered to JACK)

Don't leave me.

She hugs him. He hugs her back. Then he catches RHYS watching him over GWEN's shoulder. JACK extracts himself from GWEN's embrace. JACK and IANTO head out. GWEN looks at RHYS, still nervous, still seeing a stranger.

CUT TO:

18 EXT. STREET OUTSIDE GWEN'S FLAT/SUV - NIGHT 1 - CONTINUOUS

JACK and IANTO come out of the flat.

JACK

What the hell was that all about?

IANTO

Stress, according to Owen.

IANTO gets into the passenger's seat of the SUV, flicks on the screen. JACK opens the driver's door.

IANTO (CONT'D)

There's been a Weevil sighting by the sewer in Rockall Street.

He looks over at JACK who stands rooted to the spot. Across the road, under a street lamp, JACK sees a small 10 year old boy, (JACK's brother, GRAY).

IANTO (CONT'D)

Jack, what is it?

JACK

Do you see him?

IANTO looks to where JACK's looking - there's no-one there.

IANTO

Who?

A moment as JACK recovers, gets into the SUV. IANTO touches his arm. JACK looks at him.

JACK

I'll drop you off and check out that sighting.

IANTO

I could come with you. It's been a while since we went hunting together.

JACK

I'll be fine on my own.

IANTO accepts this. JACK seems distracted. As they pull away, JACK can't resist a glance back at the empty street.

CUT TO:

#### 19 INT. TORCHWOOD, NEW BOARDROOM - NIGHT 1

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18

OWEN is working on the box, running tests on what it's made of. TOSH enters.

TOSH

Worked out what that thing is yet?

OWEN

No joy yet.

(so excited)

But you should see the detail on it,

Tosh. It's gorgeous.

TOSH leans close to him as she studies the box.

And, as TOSH brushes close to him, OWEN smells the air, her scent, a tiny tiny gesture but he can smell her and it makes him so so happy.

TOSH doesn't even notice him drinking her in.

TOSH

(re: the box)

It's beautiful.

OWEN

(high on her)

Yeah.

TOSH looks at him. They share a smile. They get on better like this, alone.

TOSH

Sorry if I was a bit mean earlier.

OWEN

It's okay. I know you didn't mean it.

TOSHIKO fiddles with the box.

TOSHIKO

Have you managed to open it yet?

OWEN

No. Sorry. Not doing very well.

TOSHIKO

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OWEN (CONT'D)

(slides a Tupperware box over to Toshiko)

And one for me.

TOSHIKO opens the Tupperware box: it has triangular brown sandwiches in, a pack of crisps, an apple and a Penguintype biscuit.

OWEN (CONT'D)

Smoked salmon.

(suddenly worried)

That's your favourite, right?

TOSHIKO

How d'you know that?

OWEN

I keep a note.

TOSHIKO can't really deal with this.

TOSHIKO

I'm gonna need a beer.

OWEN

What, while we're working? (off TOSH's look)

No, course, that's fine, relax, kick back, good idea. Not for me though.

TOSH is gone. He looks after her, then down at the sandwiches. Proud.

CUT TO:

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20 INT. SEWER BY RIVER - NIGHT 1

A man is standing some distance away from him, a strong man, 40's, handsome, (JACK's father). JACK peers at him, steps forward, unable to see him clearly.

JACK'S FATHER

(yelling in an

American accent)

Run! Get out!

JACK shines his torch and sees his father clearly.

JACK'S FATHER (CONT'D)

Get out, son.

**JACK** 

Dad?

JACK'S FATHER

RUN!

And then suddenly, a horrifying howl from the shadows.

JACK turns and runs, as though his life depends on it.

JACK reaches the ladder to the man-hole, climbs up.

CUT TO:

21 EXT. DERELICT STREET NR. RIVER - NIGHT 1 - CONTINUOUS 21

JACK emerges from the manhole opening. ADAM is waiting there.

**ADAM** 

Jack?

JACK sees him. ADAM takes in JACK's shaken appearance.

ADAM (CONT'D)

Is it down there? The Weevil?

JACK

No.

Something occurs to JACK.

JACK (CONT'D)

How did you get here?

ADAM smiles, steps forward, touches JACK. JACK shivers.

**ADAM** 

I came with you, remember?

JACK

(remembering)

Yeah. Course.

**ADAM** 

Are you okay?

(beat)

Jack, what did you see?

JACK looks at him -

**JACK** 

My past.

CUT TO:

#### 22 INT. GWEN'S FLAT/LOUNGE - NIGHT 1

22

GWEN sits, nursing a mug of tea. There is a tense atmosphere as RHYS sits by her on the sofa, distance between them. A photo album of them as a happy couple *in the past* lies open. GWEN looks at it.

GWEN

If what you say is true...

RHYS

It is.

(matter of fact)

We love each other.

GWEN

But how could I forget that?

GWEN looks at him. He turns to her, makes to kiss her. She stiffens. He gets up, trying to hide his pain. For something to do, he opens cupboard doors.

RHYS

Nothing in. I was going to take you out for a meal, didn't want the weekend to end...

And he can't help it. He turns away. He is fighting back tears. But she doesn't know him. All she can do is look away and wait for him to finish.

CUT TO:

#### 23 EXT. DERELICT STREET NR. RIVER - NIGHT 1

**ADAM** 

Jack, please. Talk to me.

JACK continues up the bank.

ADAM (CONT'D)

What about the past?

(beat)

Is it your childhood?

JACK stops, swings round. ADAM steps nearer, touches his shoulder. JACK reacts to the contact -

ADAM (CONT'D)

I've always been here for you, Jack. From the beginning. I'm the one you confide in, remember?

JACK

It was meant to be buried. I buried the memory. Over a hundred and fifty years ago.

(beat)

Why now?

ADAM

Maybe it's time. Maybe up till now, your subconscious has been protecting you. But you can't block out the past for ever.

JACK

(meaning it)

I can't afford to remember.

CUT TO:

# 24 INT. TORCHWOOD, NEW BOARDROOM - NIGHT 1

24

TOSH places a gadget on the side of the box. It chitters -- and the LED flashes red with a "failed" alert sound.

TOSH stares at the gadget, genuinely surprised.

TOSHIKO

I don't believe it! This is supposed to open anything!

OWEN

So, all our know-how and technology...

He laughs as TOSH sets down the box, defeated -

OWEN (CONT'D)

And we can't even open a box.

She laughs along as she takes a swig from a beer bottle.

He's pleased at her laugh: he's made her happy. Even the tiniest hint of that and his heart soars.

There's another beer, still unopened. TOSH offers it to OWEN. He hesitates -

TOSH

Go on. Live a little.

OWEN undecided for a second, then--

OWEN

As it's you.

OWEN takes one, opens it. TOSH grins.

TOSH

Call it a celebration.

They clink bottles before they drink. OWEN loves that.

OWEN

Oh yes?

TOSH

Adam and I have been together one year today.

OWEN

Right.

This takes the wind from OWEN's sails. TOSH is glowing. He watches her, trying to smile.

TOSH

A whole year. And my stomach still flips when he touches me.. Tc 12 0 0 12 108 549 Tm /rncuEm4

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TOSH

Oh, don't worry. You'll meet the right girl one day.

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And OWEN holds her gaze, his heart breaking. So vulnerable.

OWEN

D'you really think I look like a rodent?

And TOSH can't help but laugh in his face. OWEN tries not to look too crushed.

TOSH

Come on, we're going to crack this box if it kill us.

She sets back to work. OWEN watches her. Oh, if only

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JACK (V.O.) (CONT'D)

(beat)

But that made it all the more special. Or so my Dad used to say.

CUT TO:

#### 27 EXT. DERELICT STREET NR. RIVER - NIGHT 1

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JACK opens his eyes.

JACK

They came without warning. We thought they'd pass over, like they always did. But they didn't.

(beat)

Not that day.

**ADAM** 

Who?

JACK

The worst possible creatures you could imagine.

He looks at ADAM -

JACK (CONT'D)

Their howls traveled before them.

CUT TO:

#### 28 EXT. BACK OF 51ST CENTURY HOUSE - DAY - MEMORY B

28

JACK's father, holding open the back door as the howling gets louder.

DMP: We see the house in the midst of a beautiful colony.

A terrified boy, 15, JACK as a child, is ushered out with a younger boy, 10 years old, his brother, in tow.

JACK'S FATHER

Run! Take Gray... keep him safe!

ADAM (V.O.)

Gray?

JACK (V.O.)

My little brother.

YOUNG JACK

No, Dad. Come with us.

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Screeches. The creatures are getting nearer.

The sound of the front door banging open as YOUNG JACK's brother, GRAY, 10 years old, heads down the garden path.

JACK'S FATHER

RUN!

And YOUNG JACK runs, taking GRAY's hand as he does so.

CUT TO:

#### 29 EXT. 51ST CENTURY SAND DUNES - DAY - MEMORY B

29

DMP(?): 51st Century Colony in background.

YOUNG JACK running. Feet pounding up and down the dunes. (Others may be seen running in the distance).

GRAY lags behind after his brother... Then, GRAY's hand slips out of YOUNG JACK's.

Screeches sound out. YOUNG JACK runs faster. GRAY falls behind. We stay with YOUNG JACK, pounding along the dunes.

CUT TO:

### 30 EXT. 51ST CENTURY SAND DUNES - DAY - MEMORY B

30

YOUNG JACK stops, breathless.

YOUNG JACK

We can hide here.

YOUNG JACK turns. The moment of truth. He can't see GRAY anywhere.

YOUNG JACK (CONT'D)

Gray?

(the fear, deep in his
 stomach)

Gray?

JACK (V.O.)

One minute his hand was in mine. I don't know when he let go. I don't think I noticed. I thought he was there. Just behind me.

YOUNG JACK starts to run back the way he came.

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YOUNG JACK

Gray?

CUT TO:

#### 31 EXT. DERELICT STREET NR. RIVER - NIGHT 1

31

JACK, sitting now, speaks in a matter of fact tone.

JACK

I retraced my steps. I kept hoping I'd see him...

ADAM

Did you find him?

JACK just looks at him, hollow-eyed.

ADAM (CONT'D)

What did you find?

CUT TO:

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#### 32 EXT. BACK OF 51ST CENTURY HOUSE - DAY - MEMORY B

DMP: (Re-use sc 28?) Colony in background.

YOUNG JACK approaching his father who lies dying on the street. The aliens have gone. There is a bleeding wound where his heart has been pierced. His eyes blink up at YOUNG JACK -

YOUNG JACK kneels. Inept, just a boy.

JACK'S FATHER

You need to take care... (struggling now)
... of Gray and your mother.

YOUNG JACK

No... No, Dad.

# 33 <u>EXT. DERELICT STREET NR. RIVER - NIGHT 1</u>

JACK rises suddenly, almost angry with himself for taking the memory so far. His eyes are wild. He *needed* to forget.

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ADAM

You had to run. You did it for your brother.

JACK

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TOSH

No, I'm sure Adam found it on an excavation a few months back.

IANTO

(heading out)

I'll have a look in the diary. I like to log the interesting stuff.

TOSH

You write about artifacts in your diary!

IANTO

Among other things.

He exits, leaving just TOSH and OWEN.

OWEN

So. We're done for the night.

TOSHIKO

(checking her phone;
absently)

I guess.

OWEN

Everything alright?

TOSH

Yeah. Just... Adam hasn't rung.

OWEN

I'm sure he will.

TOSHIKO smiles. OWEN can't take his eyes off her. And his heart's racing as he plucks up courage:

OWEN (CONT'D)

I would.

(tiny bit emboldened)

If it was our anniversary. I wouldn't disappear.

(Beat)

I'd cherish you.

TOSH

Owen-

OWEN

(in his stride)

I really would, though. I'd never let you out my sight. Cos...

(Beat)

I love you, Tosh.

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TOSH

What're you thinking of?

And this is a nightmare for OWEN now; he never thought it'd go like this.

OWEN

I'm sorry -I just wanted you to know -

TOSH

How dare you! I'm with Adam.

(tough)

And even if I wasn't... you're not my type. And you never will be.

OWEN

Tosh! Wait!

But she's gone.

Leaving a humiliated, heartbroken OWEN.

#### 35 INT. LATE NIGHT QUALITY MART - NIGHT 1

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The Quality Mart is nearly empty. There are a few students paying by the till and a disinterested youth serving them. GWEN follows RHYS to the counter, still disorientated, still very frightened and confused. (RHYS has mince and spaghetti and passata and onions in his basket).

GWEN

Maybe I should be on my own tonight.

RHYS

No way. What if you forget who you are?

**GWEN** 

I know who I am.

RHYS

It's not just you who's lost something.

YOUTH

(on phone)

Hey, alright, Mefs. What's happening?

GWEN

(puzzled)

But you remember.

RHYS

All you know about me. You're my girl, my best friend. Suddenly, that's all gone.

RHYS looks around for the YOUTH -

RHYS (CONT'D)

For God's sake, where's he now?

He spots him chatting and laughing on the phone at the end of the aisle. Then the YOUTH, still on the phone, heads into the back room.

RHYS (CONT'D)

(to GWEN)

He just walked away! He knows we're waiting.

His anger is a little displaced and now he's started, he can't stop.

RHYS (CONT'D)

I'm not coming here again. It's overpriced. There's a £1.50 charge on the cash machine. It's a bloody disgrace.

(shouting out)

Hello!

No response.

RHYS (CONT'D)

Fine. I'll help myself.

RHYS gets £10 out, puts it on the counter.

RHYS (CONT'D)

(calling out)

Keep the change. Buy some spot cream.

He gathers up his shopping.

RHYS (CONT'D)

Honestly. Kids today. Don't know the meaning of hard work.

He stops as he sees GWEN looking at him, a spark in her eyes as a smile plays on her lips.

RHYS (CONT'D)

What?

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GWEN

Rhys the Rant!

RHYS looks at her. It's something she's called him before. She starts to laugh -

GWEN (CONT'D)

Always when you're in a queue. Or driving. Or when you're on the phone to one of those automated phone thingies

RHYS smiles, so relieved. This small memory offers hope. She's looking at him so fondly.

Then she kisses him. Then she breaks down - convulsive sobs. And he holds her so tightly.

CUT TO:

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#### 37 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB - NIGHT 1

37

IANTO is alone now, reading through his leather bound diary, frowning, going back from month to month...

There is a small lamp which gives a pool of light - an eerie effect as some areas are dark and shadowy.

Then he senses a presence behind him. He turns. ADAM is standing there watching him.

IANTO approaches him, his face dark.

**ADAM** 

What's wrong?

IANTO

My diary... you're not in it. Everyone else is. Why would I leave you out when you've been here so long?

IANTO steps closer. Struggling to put this thought together:

IANTO (CONT'D)

Like I'm remembering a man who doesn't exist.

FX: Under the intensity of IANTO's penetrating gaze, ADAM visibly flickers... his face becomes almost transparent for a few moments. IANTO sees this. Suddenly realising.

IANTO (CONT'D)

What are you?

IANTO grabs ADAM who suddenly, violently grabs him back.

**ADAM** 

Cross me and I will fill you with fake memories until your head is on fire. Because that's how I exist.

IANTO

Gwen. What did you do to her?

**ADAM** 

Memory's a delicate thing. Feeding myself in wiped other memories out. It's a side effect of what I have to do in order to survive.

IANTO

Jack needs to know.

IANTO touches his blue-tooth.

Suddenly, ADAM places his hands on IANTO's head. IANTO resists, tries to pull his hands away -

ADAM

Remember this...

IANTO stands there, appalled, distraught at the memory ADAM's feeding into him.

CUT TO:

# 38 <u>INT. CARDIFF ALLEY - NIGHT - MEMORY C</u>

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37

Rain in an alleyway. Shadows in the darkness - stylised noir effect. IANTO in an alley grabbing a woman from behind.

ADAM (V.O.)

I knew you never meant to kill her. You just couldn't stop yourself.

Her scream -

CUT TO:

#### 39 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB - NIGHT 1

39

Back to present day, the Hub. ADAM grabs the sides of IANTO's head even harder. ADAM is vicious, sadistic as he overcomes IANTO's thoughts.

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ADAM

Remember this.

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IANTO stares at her for a few moments as she lays on the ground beneath him.

ADAM (V.O.)

I help you dump the bodies. It's me you call.

And suddenly ADAM is there. He and IANTO put the body into a body bag, struggling in the rain.

CUT TO:

43 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB - NIGHT 1

Close-up on YOUNG JACK's face as she screams -

And his mother's looking around as though she's lost something.

Then she sinks to the ground.

The mother on her knees, bewildered, unable to take it in.

JACK'S MOTHER

(to JACK'S FATHER)

Franklin? Franklin, wake up. Please, wake up.

But he is dead. She emits a low terrible keening.

YOUNG JACK reaches out to her.

YOUNG JACK

Mom?

She looks at him. Something occurs to her.

JACK'S MOTHER

Where's Gray?

Blame cuts like a knife through YOUNG JACK's heart.

JACK'S MOTHER (CONT'D)

Is he safe?

(beat)

Where is he, son?

YOUNG JACK looks into her eyes.

A new horror dawns on his mother. This one too much to bear.

YOUNG JACK

We were running so fast. I thought he was behind me. One minute his hand was in mine and then...

And sobs rack through her body as she breaks her heart. Tears running down her face.

YOUNG JACK looks on, also weeping.

JACK'S MOTHER

No. No.

(MORE)

JACK'S MOTHER (CONT'D)

45 CONTINUED: (2)

(beat)

Not my little boy.

CUT TO:

### 46 EXT. TOP OF TALL BUILDING - NIGHT 1

46

45

JACK in so much pain - remembering as it keeps flooding back.

JACK

Why now?

CUT TO:

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## 53A INT. GWEN'S FLAT/BEDROOM - NIGHT 1

53A

GWEN enters in her dressing gown. It's still not all resolved. RHYS sits on the bed, apprehensive, unsure what to do. He wears a tee-shirt and underpants.

GWEN wears pyjamas. She gets into bed.

RHYS

Anything?

GWEN

It's all still a bit of a blur but I'm getting there.

RHYS

That's all we've got really. Memories. That's what brought us here. To this point.

**GWEN** 

Hey, we found it before. We'll find it again.

She looks at RHYS' back, reaches out but doesn't quite touch him.

RHYS

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53A

GWEN

Okay, you can stay.

CUT TO:

## 54 EXT. CARDIFF STREET - NIGHT 1

54

IANTO walks up a deserted street. He freezes as two giggling women approach. One flashes him a smile as they pass.

We focus on her face, her neck... IANTO's p.o.v. as he breathes hard.

Then backs away and starts to run down the street, a haunted man on the run from his own terrible dark

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TOSH

Yes.

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55A OMITTED

55A

55B INT. TORCHWOOD, JACKS' OFFICE - NIGHT 1

55B

The door rolls back. JACK returns to the Hub. It is dark. IANTO comes looming out of the shadows -

IANTO

(yelling, desperate)

Jack!

JACK is shocked to see IANTO in such a state.

JACK

What's wrong?

When IANTO speaks, it is almost manic -

IANTO

(grabs JACK)

You've got to put me in the vaults. Lock me up. Please.

JACK

(grinning)

Well, if it's bondage you're after

IANTO

I killed three girls. Strangled them. For their flesh.

JACK

What? Stop kidding around! -

IANTO

(interrupting;

desperate)

I'm serious! I murdered them, in cold blood, took the bodies and...

(breaking down)

You have to lock me away.

Before I turn on you! None of you are safe.

**JACK** 

(gently)

Hey, come here.

JACK reaches out. IANTO falls into his embrace.

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JACK (CONT'D)

What's happened to you?

IANTO whispers in JACK's ear.

IANTO

I'm a monster.

JACK pulls back, still holding onto him and looks him in the eye. So certain.

**JACK** 

No.

JUMP CUT TO:

### 55C INT. TORCHWOOD, JACK'S OFFICE - NIGHT 1

55C

A Brain Scanning Device (black, militaristic) being attached to IANTO -

IANTO's face, staring ahead as he remembers -

IANTO

My hands on her throat. And it felt so good.

JACK

You've got to be lying.

IANTO

Squeezing the life out of her...

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IANTO (CONT'D)

... pleading and I didn't care...

JACK's eyes on the detector - the truth.

IANTO (CONT'D)

(eyes on JACK)

Something in me wants to kill.

JACK looks at the lie detector. It reads as 'truth'.

Close on JACK. Unshaken in his belief.

**JACK** 

No. This is not you. Something's changed you.

JUMP CUT TO:

55D OMITTED 55D

55E INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB. NIGHT 1 55E

JACK on TOSH's computer, downloading cctv footage. IANTO standing in the shadows -

The images of the past few days, flashing by, barely distinguishable.

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JACK

Adam's isn't here.

CUT TO:

## 55G INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB - NIGHT 1

55G

55F

IANTO racing through Adam's personnel records.

IANTO

Everything's in order here.

JACK

When were they last updated?

IANTO digging deep into the computer (maybe lose the squid interface, back to basics) scrolling through data.

IANTO

15 hours ago

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## 57 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB - MORNING - DAY 2

57

TOSH and ADAM enter the Hub. OWEN is working. IANTO is making coffees. TOSH goes to her work station. There are flowers there. On the card, it reads - To Tosh, apologies and love, Owen. A sheepish OWEN crosses to TOSH.

TOSH

Owen-

OWEN

No, listen. Last night, I went too far. I embarrassed you. It was selfish.

TOSH

Owen, I think the world of you but...

OWEN

I know. I'm sorry. I don't want to jeopardise our friendship.

(Beat)

The most important thing is you're happy. That means more to me than anything.

TOSH

(smiling; ending the conversation)

Thank you.

And OWEN can't quite leave. Has to say:

OWEN

You are happy with Adam. Aren't you?

TOSH

Completely.

OWEN nods, smiles. Walks away, keeping his heartbreak in.

CUT TO:

### 57A INT. TORCHWOOD, JACK'S OFFICE - DAY 2

57A

JACK alone now on his computer, going over the cctv footage.

A day a week ago - the whole team at work. No ADAM.

CUT TO:

### 57B INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB - MORNING - DAY 2

57B

GWEN enters. TOSH looks at her, concerned.

TOSH

How are you today?

GWEN

There's still a lot missing. Rhys didn't think I should come into work but...

ADAM

Hey, we'll look after you.

Just give yourself time.

(ironically in an

American accent)

Come on, group hug.

Laughing at the idiocy of it all, TOSH, ADAM, GWEN and OWEN all hug.

IANTO stands alone.

CUT TO:

## 57C INT. TORCHWOOD, JACK'S OFFICE - DAY 2

57C

JACK looks out. His p.o.v. - The Hub. The team are giggling, hugging.

CUT TO:

### 57D INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB - DAY 2

57D

IANTO stands frozen.

**ADAM** 

(to IANTO)

You alright, mate? Listen, I could murder a coffee.

TOSH sees JACK coming out of his office.

And he puts a gun against ADAM's head. ADAM freezes. TOSH, OWEN and GWEN stand shocked.

IANTO just looks on.

**JACK** 

Talk to me, Adam. If that's even your name.

ADAM

(scared, bluffing)

What?

GWEN

Jack, what the hell are you doing?

JACK

He's not who you think he is. He's feeding himself into our memories, by touch.

TOSH

Is this some kind of sick joke?

But the look on JACK's face tells her it isn't.

JACK

He didn't exist until two days ago.

OWEN

Jack, we've known him for years. He's part of the team!

JACK

No. He's just made you think that.

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ADAM reaches out, touches JACK's arm.

JACK (CONT'D)

You won't get me like that.

**ADAM** 

Jack, you know me. You recruited me three years ago.

**JACK** 

All I know is that when I think of the team... I see you there. But I don't feel anything for you - no pride, no warmth ...

(beat)

You, the one I can confide in, the one who unburied the dead.

TOSH

Stop this, please.

**GWEN** 

Jack, maybe you've just forgotten him. Like I did with Rhys.

JACK

I should have spotted it then. That wasn't stress. That was him.

JACK looks at ADAM with contempt.

JACK (CONT'D)

By making us think we know him, he disturbed our real memories.

(beat)

I'm taking him to the vaults.

JACK, his gun to ADAM's head, marches him towards the vaults.

TOSH

No!

And before anyone knows it, she's pulled a gun.

OWEN

Tosh, I don't think that's gonna help.

TOSH

(to JACK)

Let Adam go.

But TOSH is wild, determined. She trains the gun on JACK.

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JACK

I'm just going to lock him up. I'm not

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ADAM (CONT'D)

He's a different man now. Selfless. Happier. Toshiko, too: she was never this confident.

JACK

How did you come here? Why us?

**ADAM** 

All of you have such special, unique memories.

ADAM looks at JACK admiringly, fearful -

ADAM (CONT'D)

Especially you, Jack. All those extraordinary memories you hold: some hidden, some absent. Your singular mind. That's what drew me here.

JACK

Good job. It's what we do best - wipe out aliens.

ADAM watches in dread as JACK looks him in the eye.

### **ADAMJACK**

You can't shoot me. You made me live. (with intent)
And you always remember what you killed,

And you always remember what you killed, don't you, Jack?

JACK shows how much this gets to him. He turns, starts to walk away.

CUT TO:

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## INT. TORCHWOOD, NEW BOARDROOM - DAY 2

JACK, OWEN, IANTO, TOSH and GWEN sit at the table. There is cctv footage of the Hub going back a few weeks - the team without ADAM.

JACK

Our memories define us. Adam changed those memories - changed who we are.

(beat)

Now I have to help you all go back, find a memory that defines you. Rediscover who you are.

He turns off the cctv. There's an image of ADAM standing in the vaults on the screen. TOSH looks at it -

JACK (CONT'D)

If I'm wrong, he'll still be here when we've done this.

JACK indicates the table.

They all sit facing the screen. ADAM disappears. Then a strange alien sound is heard as sixties style images, concentric circles etc. appear on the screen.

JACK (CONT'D)

Let me take you back to before we all met ...

CUT TO:

#### INT. TORCHWOOD, VAULTS - DAY 2

ADAM paces in the vault. He stops in his tracks - a moment of weakness as he leans against the perspex.

CUT TO:

### 67 INT. TORCHWOOD, THE HUB - DAY 2 - LATER

67

Time has passed. OWEN, GWEN, TOSH and IANTO sit in silence, around the table, as though in a trance.

JACK

Feel around for anything that makes you what you are, the hidden and the forgotten, the core of your past.

JACK waits.

JACK (CONT'D)

Tell me where you are.

**GWEN** 

The college canteen... Bruce and I have just split up... Rhys is sitting opposite me, telling stupid jokes.

OWEN

My birthday. I'm ten. Dad doesn't send a card. Mum spends the whole day screaming.

TOSH

School library, maths club, something so reliable about maths... always a right answer.

OWEN

I love you because you're my son, Owen, that's what she says... but that doesn't mean that I like you.

GWEN

Where do you find a tortoise with no legs?

(beat)

Where you left it.

She laughs.

IANTO

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OWEN

And that's why she can't look at me. Because he left her.

(beat)

But he left me too.

IANTO

Your heart doesn't break. It just keeps pumping.

GWEN

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TOSH looks at him. She knows what she has to do.

She sits by the table, looks at the screen, at ADAM looking out at her. The tears stream from her eyes as she rests her head on the table.

TOSH

Goodbye, Adam.

TOSH takes the pill. Places her head down.

JACK stands behind her, places his hand on her shoulder, giving her strength.

GWEN, fighting the last moments of wakefulness, is looking at JACK. She tries to blink away the drowsiness.

GWEN

What about you?

JACK picks up the pill. Looks at GWEN.

**JACK** 

I want to be there when he dies.

CUT TO:

### 68 INT. TORCHWOOD, VAULTS - DAY 2

68

In his vault, ADAM is growing weaker by the second. He hears the door opening as JACK descends, not the kindly JACK from the previous scene, but a man ready to wipe out the enemy. JACK faces him.

JACK

Just me left.

ADAM

Jack, I know what it's like not to exist. Don't send me back there.

JACK

I have to.

ADAM

What are you going to do?

JACK

I've already erased you from their minds - and from all our systems. All that's left is to phase you out of my memory.

JACK holds up the pill -

JACK (V.O.)

It's early evening. Just me and Dad. On the beach.

The tide is in, the waves lapping gently on the sand. At first, the beach seems empty and then two shadows as YOUNG JACK (15) and his father emerge into the picture. Both wear tee-shirts and trunks.

Two sets of footprints, the sound of laughter, their laughter. Birds swooping above as a ball is batted with a rounder's bat far across the sand towards the sea.

YOUNG JACK running for the ball - panting, laughing, picking it up as his Dad runs round a circle of stones in the sand in the distance. JACK running back to first base, diving onto it as his father throws himself towards it.

YOUNG JACK

You're out.

And his father lands, laughing, stretching out his arms as he lies on his back on the sand. YOUNG JACK does the same. They stare up at the sky...

JACK'S FATHER

One day, you won't want to play with your old Dad any more.

YOUNG JACK

Never.

And then a smaller boy is running towards them -

**GRAY** 

Dad! Mom said I could play too.

YOUNG JACK

Gray!

YOUNG JACK gets up, swings GRAY around in his arms.

CUT TO:

## 70 INT. TORCHWOOD, VAULTS - DAY 2

70

JACK reliving the memory, smiling at the wonder of this ordinary day.

**ADAM** 

Are you there?

YOUNG JACK

This is our beach.

YOUNG BOY

There's lots of room.

YOUNG JACK pushes YOUNG BOY away as his father and GRAY approach.

YOUNG JACK

You shouldn't be here.

His father sees the boy stagger.

YOUNG BOY

I brought you here.

JACK'S FATHER

(running to YOUNG

JACK)

What are you doing?

(to YOUNG ADAM)

Are you alright?

YOUNG BOY

I just want to play.

JACK'S FATHER

(to YOUNG JACK)

He can play.

YOUNG ADAM runs back and throws the ball. GRAY bats it, starts to run.

JACK'S FATHER (CONT'D)

(to YOUNG JACK)

Get the ball, son.

YOUNG JACK

(very upset)

No! He doesn't belong here. I don't want him playing with us.

YOUNG ADAM

(to JACK'S FATHER)

I've played with you before. I'm Adam.

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JACK's FATHER looks shocked. YOUNG ADAM falls to the ground.

JACK'S FATHER

Are you alright, Adam?

YOUNG ADAM

Yes, sir. He just doesn't want to share.

JACK'S FATHER

(to YOUNG JACK)

Right, if you're going to behave like that, we're going home. Come on, Gray.

JACK's FATHER and GRAY pick up the bat and the ball.

YOUNG JACK

No, we don't leave yet. We play some more. It gets dark and we light a fire...

GRAY and JACK'S FATHER start to head away.

YOUNG JACK (CONT'D)

Mom joins us. We sing songs.

They keep walking.

YOUNG JACK (CONT'D)



# 74 INT. TORCHWOOD, VAULTS - DAY 2

74

ADAM is stronger now. He looks out at JACK -

ADAM

I made it happen.

(ardently)

I can do this for you time and time again.

JACK

I can do it myself.

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JACK looks at ADAM. Then JACK takes the pill.

CUT TO:

# 77 <u>EXT. 51ST CENTURY BEACH - DAY - MEMORY E</u>

77

FX: An empty beach. A darker sky. Wind blowing, howling through like a wilderness.

YOUNG JACK running to where his father stood earlier with  ${\tt GRAY}$  -

YOUNG JACK

Dad?... Dad?...
 (beat)
Gray?

But there's no-one there. YOUNG JACK spins around, searching desperately -

YOUNG JACK (CONT'D)

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It is harrowing.

CUT TO:

80 INT. TORCHWOOD, VAULTS - MORNING - DAY 3

80

JACK opens his eyes, dazed and disorientated.

He has no idea why he is there.

CUT TO:

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80A

81 <u>INT. TORCHWOOD</u>, THE HUB - MORNING - DAY 3

81

JACK emerges from the Vaults, blinking, disorientated. GWEN is looking at her computer with OWEN.

TOSH is at her work station. IANTO is making coffee. All are a little dazed -

**GWEN** 

Jack, how have we lost two days?

JACK stops, looks at the team.

JACK

What d'you mean?

IANTO

(handing out)

The last 48 hours. None of us can remember a thing.

TOSH

The systems are blank, the CCTV's been wiped. What's been going on? What've we been doing?

Close in on JACK, struggling, failing to remember.

JACK

I don't know.

OWEN

Great. Two days of my life I'm never gonna get back!

JACK looks at the flowers on TOSH's work station.

JACK

Looks like Toshiko got herself a secret admirer, though.

TOSH looks at the flowers, almost like she's seeing them properly for the first time.

On the florist's card, it says - To Tosh, love and apologies, Owen.

TOSH

(to OWEN; delighted)

They're from you!

Oh, she's so pleased. OWEN takes the card.

OWEN

In your dreams, Tosh. Someone's winding you up.

(screws up the card)

Don't do flowers. And I definitely don't do apologies.

And throws the card in the bin.

But there's a moment between them as they lock eyes... the tiniest of remnants?

CUT TO:

### 82 INT. GWEN'S FLAT/BEDROOM - MORNING - DAY 3

82

GWEN gets into bed as RHYS blinks awake, still a little nervous around her. She snuggles up to him under the sheets.

She shuts her eyes. He kisses the top of her head.

CUT TO:

### 83 INT. TOSH'S FLAT - MORNING - DAY 3

83

TOSH lets herself in. There are two coffee cups in the sink. She looks at them for a moment. She carries OWEN's flowers. She sets them in water. They make her smile.

CUT TO:

### 84 INT. TORCHWOOD, NEW BOARDROOM - MORNING - DAY 3

84

OWEN talks on the phone -

OWEN

No, nothing's wrong. I just thought I'd come and see you.

(beat)

What about the weekend after? (MORE)

(CONTINUED)

OWEN (CONT'D)

(beat)

Alright, I'll try and give you more notice next time.

(edgier)

Mum, I'm not in trouble. I make my own money and I'm doing really well, despite your best efforts to screw me up.

(beat, more tense)

Fine. Leave it then. Let me know if you ever get a window in your precious diary. Cos it's not like I've got a life of my own or anything.

He slams the phone down hard.

Then regrets it. But it's too late.

CUT TO:

85