

**Trial:**

## **State vs. Joel Smith**

**Judge:**

Ladies and gentlemen, the session is opened. Would all the parties in the case of the state versus Joel please come forward.

Joel, we are trying you here on the criminal charges of bodily injury and bag-snatching.

The prosecution will please read the indictment.

**Prosecutor:**

When Mrs. Winterbottom wanted to do her daily walk through the park, on Saturday the 13th of September, Joel Smith, 15, suddenly attacked her. He tried to snatch her bag, but when he realized that he couldn't get the bag, he took a knife and cut the strap. Thus he also injured Mrs Winterbottom's right hand with his knife. She fell down and hurt her ankle. Joel took her bag. A policeman was patrolling, and when Joel Smith saw him, he ran away as fast as he could. But the officer followed him



and caught him. It wasn't very difficult, because the policeman said that Joel was drunk. Mrs. Winterbottom has got a deep cut at her right hand, a broken ankle and a shock.

**Judge:**

Joel, do you want to answer the accusations?



**Joel:** Well, first I went to the supermarket, and I got a bottle of vodka from the owner who is my friend! I just drank a little bit, I mean very little, despite what the policeman said. At the register I saw an elderly woman with a big purse in her hand! I thought of my girlfriend, who needed money for her next shot! So I followed her to a back street. There I

threatened her with a knife to give me her purse, but I didn't hurt her. Then I threw the knife into a garbage can nearby. After that I ran into the city to search my girlfriend. After a few minutes I saw her in the city with a friend. I gave her the money and went away! But I didn't tell her anything about how I got it!



**Judge:**

Joel, you didn't hurt Mrs. Winterbottom?

- Joel:** That's right.
- Prosecutor:** But I can't believe that she hurt herself.
- Joel:** It must have been someone else.
- Prosecutor:** Who?
- Joel:** It could have been anyone.
- Judge:** No more questions? We will see if you told the truth. I'd like to hear Mrs Winterbottom next. Mrs Winterbottom, here before the court you have to tell the truth and nothing but the truth, otherwise you'll be punished. So, please tell us the story from your point of view.

**Mrs Winterbottom:** The theft happened Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. Every Saturday I go for a walk through the park with my friend, Brenda Jackson. When I turned into Spring Street, which is the way to the park, I heard steps from behind. A boy came from the back and pulled at my bag.



But he couldn't get it, so he cut the strap of my bag. By cutting the strap, he hurt my right wrist with his knife. Before he ran into the direction of the park, he pushed me down to the ground. I couldn't get up, because my foot hurt very badly. I shouted for help. A policeman and my friend Brenda came and called the ambulance immediately.

**Judge:** Are you sure that it was the defendant who pushed you down?

**Mrs Winterbottom:** Yes, absolutely, and my friend Brenda will confirm that , too.

**Judge:** We will hear her later, but I have the medical report here. I will read it out.

## Medical Report

Mrs Winterbottom has a deep cut in her hand and a broken ankle due to a fall.

Dr. James Brown, Greenwich

**Prosecutor:** Who called the ambulance?

**Mrs Winterbottom:** It was Brenda Jackson. She's my best friend and we wanted to meet in the park. But I didn't come, of course. So she wanted to go home. But then she heard me and called the ambulance.

**Prosecutor:** And who called the policeman?

**Mrs Winterbottom:** I don't know... I think nobody. The policeman suddenly stood next to me, but I don't really remember...

**Judge:** Let's hear what Mrs Winterbottom's psychologist, Dr Caroline Daily, says about this case.

Dr Daily has been treating Mrs Winterbottom since the incident. Dr Daily, your first name is Caroline and you are 50 years old. What effect did the incident have on Mrs Winterbottom?

**Mrs. Daily:** She has been under my care since the assault. Since this time she has a phobia of young men. She does not dare to leave her house, even during the day. She has three therapy sessions per week, and I think the boy should pay for them! If he hadn't attacked her, she wouldn't need my help. She is the victim and she will have a trauma for the rest of her life. And remember: She's 73 (seventy-three) years old!!

**Judge:** Thank you, Dr Daily. Maybe Joel's girlfriend Jessica can help us, too. Please, come to the witness stand.

**Jessica:** I don't think I can help you. That day I wasn't in the supermarket with Joel. I was in the city centre with my best friend. We had been in a café for an hour when Joel came to join us. He had some money and he gave it to me for my next shot, because I've been on heroin since I turned 12. I asked him where he had the money from, but he didn't answer. I think Joel isn't guilty. It's probably true that he stole the money, but he did it for me. I need money for heroin and also for my little child. But I guess this isn't important for this trial. Anyway, I can't tell you anything about the incident, because it didn't see it, but Joel is a good boy.

**Judge:** How much money did Joel give you?

**Jessica:** He gave me 500£.

**Prosecutor:** How much money did you have in your bag, Mrs. Winterbottom?

**Mrs. Winterbottom:** I had 200£ in my bag.

**Judge:** Okay, Jessica. Thank you. I would like to hear the report of the drug experts who will tell us something about the effects of heroin.



**Expert:**

I would like to hand you over my notes (**attachment 1**); and here I would like to give a short summary of the main effects of the use of heroin.

Heroin is a very dangerous drug, because it evokes some very serious conditions, among others: addiction, illnesses (HIV positive, Hepatitis B and C, nausea and vomiting), inflammation, depressed respiration, diminished mental functions . It slows down your reaction, your memories and the way you think. Heroin may cause a "rush" and a feeling of well-being, but in the long run, you have to deal with these terrible conditions. The conditions depend on many factors like the weight, size, health and the mood of the person, who takes heroin and on the way how it is taken. An overdose can cause death! There are also very serious withdrawal symptoms!



Heroin is very dangerous, because it enters your brain so quickly. Besides that, heroin is illegal, when the police notice that you take it or deal with drugs you are arrested! And because of all the negative effects of heroin we would advise Jessica to take part in a withdrawal treatment.

**Judge:** A very informative statement. But we couldn't find any signs of drug abuse in the defendant we can only take this report as a general warning for young people and advise especially Jessica to take part in a withdrawal treatment as the

experts recommended.

**Judge:**

Then I would like to hear the policeman. Please describe, what happened.

**Policeman:**

On September,13th I was on my regular patrol. When I was about 200m away from Mrs. Winterbottom, I suddenly saw Joel near her. Mrs. Winterbottom fell down. I saw that Joel had a knife and her bag in his hands. When he saw me, he ran away but I was able to catch him and I took him to the police station. He was drunk. We made an alcohol and a drug test . The first one was positive. Joel had an alcohol level of 1.5 pro ml .



Official Police Report

On September,15<sup>th</sup> I was on my regular patrol. I was 100 m away from Mrs. Winterbottom. Suddenly I saw Joel near Mrs. Winterbottom. Mrs. Winterbottom fell down. Joel had a knife and her bag in his hands. When he saw me, he ran away but I could catch him and I took him to the police station. He was drunk. We made an alcohol and a drug test. Both were positive. Joel had an alcohol level of 1.5 pro ml.

*Tom Johnson*

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**Joel:** I don't normally don't drink alcohol, and as I said before I had drunk only very little, and I don't take drugs. You can ask my mother.

**Judge:** First I would like to hear the next witness, Mrs Brenda Jackson.

**Bailiff:** Mrs Brenda Jackson to the witness stand, please.

**Judge:** So, you are Brenda Jackson, born in Manchester on July 18, 1929. You now live in Greenwich. Are the dates correct?

**Mrs Jackson:** Yes, they are.

**Judge:** Mrs Jackson, please tell us what you witnessed about the incident of September 13.

**Mrs Jackson:** My friend, Annie Winterbottom, and I wanted to meet in the park at 3 pm. Suddenly a boy with a knife ran past me very fast. And on the knife there was some blood. I was so scared. I waited and sat down on the bench in front of the park. I waited for Mrs Winterbottom, but she didn't come. I thought something bad had happened, because Annie is normally always on time. I went to Spring Street, because I know that she always takes this way to the park. Then I heard her and saw a woman on the ground; it was Annie. I was very scared. I wanted to help her to stand up, but she couldn't, because her foot hurt. Then I saw her injured wrist and I called the ambulance.

**Judge:** Do you see the boy with the knife here in the courtroom?

**Mrs Jackson:** Yes, it's the defendant.

**Judge:** Thank you, Mrs Jackson. The last witness in this case is Joel's mother. Mrs Smith, please, come to the witness stand. Please describe your son's childhood in a few words.

**Mrs Smith :** My Joel had a very difficult childhood. My husband, Joel's father, died when Joel was six years old. It was a shock for us, especially for Joel. He loved his dad. After that Joel sat in his room every day and didn't talk to anybody, not even to me. At that time I thought that it was just a phase, because his father had just died. It's normal, I thought, but now I know that this phase has not ended yet. At this time I met my new boyfriend. I was so busy that I wasn't aware of the fact that Joel didn't like him. I don't know when Joel met Jessica but I think it was the time when my boyfriend moved in with us. Then Joel was outside with Jessica every day. I think she had a bad influence on my Joel. That all wouldn't have happened if I



had had more time for him. So it's my and not my son's fault. He is a good boy, my little angel. He wouldn't do anything like this.

**Judge:**

He doesn't quite give me the impression of an angel. Well, if there are no other questions and witnesses, I would like to ask the prosecution and the defence to begin with their pleas. Mrs Schröter would you please begin?

**Prosecutor:**

Joel Smith told us that he attacked Mrs. Winterbottom. He wanted to steal money. That is a fact. But Joel said that he didn't injure Mrs. Winterbottom with a knife. I think, Joel's argumentation is ridiculous. We have Dr James Brown's medical report. Mrs. Winterbottom has got a deep cut at her hand, a broken ankle and a shock. The officer told us that he saw Mrs. Winterbottom with her injured hand on the ground. There is enough evidence against the defendant. But we also have another witness, Brenda Jackson. She saw Joel's face, so we know that he wasn't masked. The question is: Who attacked Mrs. Winterbottom? I know, there's no other answer than Joel Smith.

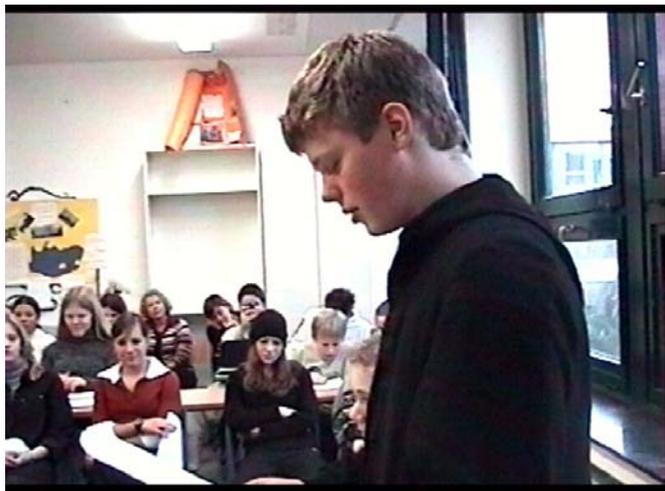
Do you really believe that Mrs. Winterbottom injured herself with Joel's knife? I think, this is ridiculous. The situation is clear. Joel took his knife and he injured Mrs. Winterbottom. Bag-snatching, bodily injury, the defendant was drunk. That's why I demand a withdrawal treatment for Joel Smith. One year on probation and 100 hours in an old people's home will give him time to think about what he did to Mrs Winterbottom. I also will initiate legal proceedings against Jessica and advise her to take part in a withdrawal treatment for drug addicts.

**Judge:**

Mr. Stegt, your plea, please.

**Defending lawyer:**

My client is innocent due to an alcohol-caused inability to commit this crime. As he usually doesn't drink, the little amount of alcohol had a greater effect. At the time when the crime was committed he was



in the park but he didn't touch or hurt Mrs Winterbottom. We can assume that the offender was somebody else. For these reasons I demand that my client be acquitted.

**Judge:**  
word.

Thank you. The defendant has the last



- Joel:** I'm sorry that I threatened you and that you were scared! But I never hurt you! That's a big lie! Thank you!
- Judge:** We will retire to discuss the case and announce the verdict shortly.

*Outside the courtroom the judge, the lay justice and the writer of the minutes discuss the case. They go through the minutes (attachment 2) and the notes of the lay justice (attachment 3) and later announce the verdict.*



*In the meantime reporters interview Mrs Winterbottom and Joel's mother:*

### Interview with Mrs Winterbottom

Reporter:

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Hello, Mrs Winterbottom! I think it was a big shock for you when the boy threatened you and demanded your bag. How did you react ?

Mrs Winterbottom.: I

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because I was under shock and my right wrist and my foot hurt.

was lying on the ground and couldn't move

Reporter: Did you recognise the boy?

Mrs W...: Yes, I saw him.

Reporter: Are you afraid when you leave your house now after this crime happened?

Mrs W.....: Yes, of course, and I still can't speak about it! (She cries!)

Reporter: Thank you for answering the questions!



### Interview with Joel's mother

Reporter: Hello, Mrs Smith! I think it was a shock when you heard that Joel snatched a bag from an old lady. What was your reaction?

Mrs Smith: I still can't believe it. I was so scared.

Reporter: Did you know that Jessica, Joel's girlfriend, takes drugs and that this was the reason for this crime ?

Mrs Smith: Yes! I thought she had a bad influence on Joel!

Reporter: Do you think he will get a severe punishment?

Mrs Smith: I hope he won't be punished too hard, because I think it wasn't his fault that the woman was hurt.

Reporter: Thank you for answering my questions!

### *The judge returns to announce the verdict:*

**Judge:** The defendant is guilty of bag-snatching and is hereby sentenced to 30 hours of social work. He will also have to take part in a withdrawal treatment program for alcoholics. Jessica Thompson at the same time is advised to take part in a withdrawal treatment for drug addicts.



The reasons for the verdict are the following:

Joel confessed that he stole Mrs Winterbottom's hand bag.

The question whether he injured Mrs Winterbottom cannot be completely answered here, because the testimony of the witnesses is contradictory.

The withdrawal treatments will hopefully help them to manage their further lives without getting into conflict with the law again.

The session is over.

*Outside the courtroom reporters from two different newspapers interview Joel, his girlfriend Jessica, Joel's mother and Mrs Winterbottom.*

Here are the interviews:

### Interview with Joel

Reporter: Hello Joel!

You snatched a bag from an old lady and hurt her. Are you satisfied with the sentence?

Joel: ???????

Reporter: What was the reason for this crime?

Joel: I wanted to have money for my girlfriend because she needed money for her next shot.

Reporter: Do you realise that you made a mistake?

Joel: Yes, but I didn't realize that at the moment when I did it.

Reporter: Thank you for answering the questions!



### Interview with Jessica

Reporter: Hello Jessica.

Jessica, your boyfriend said that he snatched the bag from an old lady to get money for your drugs. Are you ashamed that now he is the defendant because you need drugs?

Jessica: Yes, a little bit.

Reporter: Don't you think that you should take part in a withdrawal treatment for drug addicts after this crime happened?

Jessica: Yes, but I'm sure that I can't do it.

Reporter: Do you still want to be his girlfriend although he committed a crime?

Jessica: Yes, of course; he is very important to me and I love him!

Reporter: Thank you for answering the questions!

*And here are the newspaper articles that appeared the following day:*



The following is the article published in the [STAR](#) , based on interviews.

## **Bloodbath after robbery**

### ***-Old lady had heart attack-***

The morning of September 13<sup>th</sup> the world was still in order in Greenwich. But evil woke up at noon. Mrs Winterbottom (73) went to the supermarket and left again 20 minutes later. She turned into a back street called Spring Street. A mistake, as it turned out!

Joel Smith (15) had already seen her in the supermarket, and he followed her into the back street.

He took out a knife and threatened the old lady, because he wanted her purse. When Mrs Winterbottom refused to give him her purse, the boy stabbed her several times with the knife. Mrs Winterbottom screamed loudly but then she had a heart attack and fell down.

Joel took her purse and ran away. He didn't know that a policeman, who heard the screams, was only two streets away from them. Joel ran straight into the policeman and was caught, because the policeman saw the blood on his jacket. An old woman, who had also heard Mrs Winterbottom's screams had called the ambulance after she had found Mrs. Winterbottom lying on the ground.

### **Editorial:**

The trial is over. 15 -year - old Joel Smith didn't get his well deserved punishment.

The verdict says that he is only guilty of bag snatching and so he got only 30 hours of social work.

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of September, the boy attacked an old, helpless lady, because he wanted to

Mrs Winterbottom was transported to hospital as fast as possible, but the doctors say her condition is very bad, and she's still dangerously ill. She has several fractures, cuts and a concussion. But her heart is already pumping normally again.

We recently were informed that Joel was drunk when he committed this terrible crime. He told us that he wanted to steal the money for his girlfriend, who is on drugs, but he said he didn't hurt Mrs. Winterbottom. Some of us ask ourselves: Is Joel really guilty?! His comment: "I can't understand why a poor helpless boy is accused!"

His girlfriend, Jessica, is of the same opinion on the accusations against her boyfriend, "Together we will win this trial, because we are right!"

At the moment we don't know what the verdict will be, but from this moment on we'll live in fear. Who will be the next victim of juvenile delinquency?

We'll provide you with more information on this theme when the trial starts.

steal money for his girlfriend. He was accused of a bodily injury and of robbery.

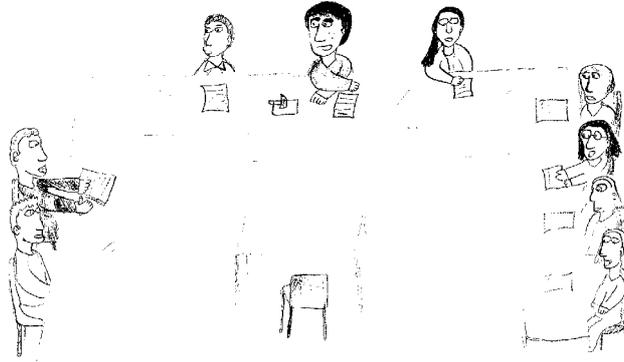
Now, there is one more criminal who isn't imprisoned, because he got a mild verdict. While we live in fear we will always ask ourselves: When will Joel Smith commit the next crime?

This article was published in the **Greenwich Times**

### Boy attacked woman

Last Saturday an old woman was attacked by a 15- year- old boy named Joel Smith. The old woman, Mrs Winterbottom, was on her way to the park. Every Saturday she meets a friend in the park. But suddenly Joel came and threatened her with a knife

Joel. The young man said that he often drinks alcohol and that before he threatened the woman he had drunk half a bottle of whisky, so he wasn't sober. The trial was yesterday. Joel was sentenced to 30 hours of social work and he must take part in a



and demanded her purse. He pushed Mrs Winterbottom down and ran away with the bag. Joel snatched the purse because he needed money for his girlfriend Jessica. She is on drugs and also has a little child that needs food. But police officer Tom Johnson caught

withdrawal treatment for alcoholics. His girlfriend Jessica was advised to take part in a withdrawal treatment for drug addicts.

Attachment 1

## Heroin

### Is someone using heroin?

You can tell if one of your friends is using heroin when he/she has euphoria, drowsiness, impaired mental functions, slowed down respiration, constricted pupils and nausea.

When one of your friends takes drugs tell him/her that this is illegal. When the police find out that you deal with drugs you will be arrested.

### Effects of heroin

The effects of heroin vary from person to person. It depends on many factors:

- The size, weight and health
- How it is taken
- Whether the person is used to taking it
- The person's mood
- And if other drugs are taken, too!

### Immediate effects:

Heroin may cause a rush of intense pleasure and a feeling of well-being. It also relieves physical pain. After using heroin, the feelings of pain or hunger are diminished. Breathing, blood pressure and pulse become slower. The mouth dries out and the pupils of the eyes get much smaller, too.

The user may feel warmer, heavy and sleepy, after the used quantity increases. Nausea and vomiting can occur.

In greater quantities:

If the quantity of heroin is higher, the immediate effects get stronger and the person has them longer. As the quantity increases, the following effects can occur, too:

The person (who uses the drug) can't concentrate anymore. He/she can fall asleep. The user's breathing also becomes slower.

Nausea and vomiting are more likely to occur. The bodily effects are sweating, itching and increased urinary output.

### Short term effects:

- depressed respiration; means that you can't breath normally
- clouded mental functions; means you can't feel normal
- suppression of pain; means you don't feel pain

- spontaneous abortion; means you may abort your baby spontaneously

**Long term effects:**

- abscesses
- addiction: you can't live without the drug
- collapsed veins: means your blood can't circulate normally
- bacterial infections: means you get ill

Heroin is one of the most dangerous drugs. It enters your brain quickly. It slows down the way you think, slows down your reaction time and slows down your memory.

When you take drugs you have a high risk of becoming HIV positive or getting hepatitis B and C.

These dangerous conditions can be passed on to sexual partners and newborn children. You depend physically on heroin.

You are in danger of becoming criminal, because you have only money for drugs, but not for clothes, food and drink so you will turn to shoplifting, for example.

Besides that, when you take an overdose, it's probable that you will die.

**Overdose:**

Using a large quantity of heroin can kill. An overdose can occur, if too much heroin is injected/ or a strong batch; or when heroin is used with alcohol or sedatives.

It has the effect that the breathing becomes slower, the heartbeat irregular and the body-temperature drops. Most overdoses occur when heroin is taken with another drug.

If an ambulance-officer wants to combat an overdose, he injects nalcron (another drug). But the nalcron does not last as long as the heroin, so the person will feel stoned again and may even become unconscious again. That day heroin shouldn't be taken anymore, because that could cause another overdose.

After an overdose, the persons should go to a hospital.

Attachment 2: The minutes

Judge: The session is opened. (Reads indictment): On the 13<sup>th</sup> of September, Mrs. Winterbottom was attacked by Joel during her daily walk. She also was hurt by him.  
First I want to talk to Joel, please.  
Joel, what happened that day?

Defendant (D.): I went to the supermarket and got a bottle of vodka. I was intoxicated. I followed Mrs. Winterbottom, took out my knife and threatened her to give me her bag. I just did it for my girlfriend and I didn't hurt the woman.

Judge: (to defender and prosecutor) Do you have any questions?

Prosecutor(P.): Yes. Joel, you didn't hurt Mrs. Winterbottom?

Joel: That's right.

P.: But I can't believe that she hurt herself.

Defendant : It must have been someone else.

P.: Who?

D.: It could have been any one else.

Judge: No more questions?

D. & P.: No.

Judge: Okay, then I want to hear Mrs. Winterbottom, please.  
Your full name is Annie Winterbottom, and you are 73 years old, is that right?

Mrs. W.: Yes, that's right.

Judge: Please describe, what happened on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September.

Mrs. W.: I went for a walk, like every Saturday, but that day I was robbed by Joel with a knife.

D.: How could you notice him?

Mrs. W.: I saw him.

P.: Was he drunk ?

Mrs. W.: I don't know.

Judge: The medical report says that you received a deep cut in your hand and a broken ankle. Is that right?

Mrs. W.: Yes.

Judge: Thank you, Mrs. Winterbottom.  
We have Mrs. Winterbottom's psychologist here.  
Mrs. Caroline D., what can you say about Mrs. Winterbottom's psychological condition?

Mrs. D.: Mrs. Winterbottom got a big shock. Ever since she was attacked she needs 3 psychological therapy sessions per week.

Judge: Thanks. I would like to hear Jessica, Joel's girlfriend, please.  
Jessica, where were you, when the supposed attack was going on?

Jessica: I was in the city centre.

Judge: Do you think Joel is guilty or not?

Jessica: He got the money for me, because I needed it. So he isn't guilty.

Judge: Why did you need it?

Jessica: Because I've been on heroin since I was 12 and I am pregnant.

P.: How much money did Joel give you?

Jessica: He gave me 500\$.

P.: How much money did you have in your bag, Mrs. Winterbottom?

Mrs. W.: I had 200\$ in my bag.

Judge: Okay, Jessica. Thank you.  
Can I hear the heroin experts now?

Expert: Yes. The effects of heroin are very strong. You have a feeling of well-being and you can't feel, breathe or think normal. And an overdose can kill as well. That happens, if you take it with other drugs. You can also become HIV positive or get Hepatitis B and C. In addition, heroin slows down your blood circulation and you think that you can't live without drugs. So heroin is one of the most dangerous drugs.

Judge: Thanks. Do you have any question?

D.: Yes. Can you think clearly without drugs, while you are waiting for the next shot?

Expert: I don't think so.

P.: I have a question to ask Joel. Did you ever take drugs?

Joel: No.

Judge: No more questions?

D. & P.: No thanks.

Judge: Then I would like to hear the policeman.  
Please describe, what happened.

Policeman: I was on my daily round to the park, when I heard someone cry for help. I ran towards where I heard the voice until I saw an old lady lying on the ground. A boy was running away and I ran after him. After a while I caught him.

D.: Did you catch him at home?

Policeman: No, I caught him in the city.

P.: Did he snatch the bag of the woman?

Policeman: I didn't see this.

D.: Did you see the attack?

Policeman: No.

D.: I have no more questions.

P.: Neither do I.

Judge: Brenda Jackson now, please.  
Mrs. Jackson, What did you do that day?

Mrs. J.: Annie and I wanted to meet at the park. I sat on a bench and waited for her, but she didn't arrive. After a while I saw a boy with a bloody knife. I was very scared, but I decided to wait for my friend. After 15 minutes I went to Spring Street and saw Annie, and her arm was bleeding.

P.: Did you see the policeman?

Mrs. J.: No.

D.: Did the boy with the knife wear a mask?

Mrs. J.: No.

- Judge: Thank you, Mrs. Jackson.  
Our last witness will be Joel's mother.  
Can you describe Joel's childhood for us, please?
- Mother: Joel had a very difficult childhood. His father died when he was only 6 years old and after that he talked to nobody about his problems. I think that Jessica has a very bad influence on Joel.
- Judge: Okay, thank you. It's time for the final pleas.  
Mrs. Schröter would you please begin?
- P.: Of course. Joel said he didn't injure Mrs. Winterbottom, but the medical report shows that she had a deep cut in her right hand and a broken ankle. The officer saw the defendant next to her in front of the park. And he saw his face. Another witness, Brenda Jackson, saw his face too. I demand 1 year on probation and 100 hours of social work. And I demand a treatment for alcohol addiction for Joel and a treatment for drug addiction for Jessica.
- Judge: Mr. Stegt, your plea, please.
- D.: On the 15th of September Joel drank a bottle of Vodka, so he was insane. And he didn't hurt Mrs. Winterbottom. For that reason I plead for acquittal.
- Judge: The court will retire for counselling now.

### Attachment 3: Notes of the lay justice:

- Joel S. threatened Mrs W. with a knife
- was caught quickly by police
- was drunk but drug test was negative
- victim: broken ankle, fear of young man for rest of life
- Joel should spend hours with psychologist
- Jessica: admits that he stole for her
- heroin: can't breathe normally, one of the most dangerous drugs, expensive drug
- Mrs Winterbottom identified him, and policeman also
- Joel's childhood: hard childhood; after father died he was depressive.