

1 INT.ALICE'S BEDROOM-NIGHT

ALICE is lying on her bed staring at her ceiling. She is distraught, she is in deep thought and breathing heavily.

CUT TO:

EXT.A FIELD-DAY

Alice, lying on the grass in 17th century clothes. She is calm and collected, staring straight ahead of her.

BACK TO:

INT.ALICE'S BEDROOM-NIGHT

Alice, still anxious, turns on her side and closes her eyes.

2 INT.SCHOOL-DAY(EARLY)

Alice opens her locker and takes out her books, she is feels like everyone is talking about her. She is frozen on the spot, until she closes her locker urgently and turns around.

She takes a deep breath and walks down the hallway fast.

CUT TO:

3 INT.COUNCILLOR'S OFFICE (OUTSIDE)-DAY(EARLY)

Alice walks into MX.WALKER's office, she sits down, startling Mx.Walker. Alice begins to sob, Mx.Walker is unsure of what to do, they get up and close the blinds.

CUT TO:

4 INT.COUNCILLOR'S OFFICE (INSIDE)-DAY(LATER)

THOMAS is sitting across Mx.Walker, he is charming and is a lot more relaxed than Alice

MX.WALKER

Mr.Hughes were you drinking alcohol on halloween night?

THOMAS

(sighing) Yes.

MX.WALKER

How much alcohol did you consume before and during the party?

THOMAS
(fidgeting, friendly) I'm not sure... a couple of cans?

MX.WALKER
Thomas, have you ever blacked out after drinking alcohol?

THOMAS
(pauses) No Miss/Sir.

Mx.Walker pauses for a moment, taking a good look at Thomas.

MX.WALKER
Thank you Thomas, that'll be all.

Thomas leaves the room, Mx.Walker writes something down for a moment.

MX.WALKER
Ms.Dowling!

Alice walks into the office, she is clearly distraught.

MX.WALKER (CONT'D)
Take a seat Alice.

Alice sits down carefully, she watched Mx.Walker sort some papers.

MX.WALKER (CONT'D)
I've just spoken with Mr.Hughes, he denies all claims to the actions you've accused him of on the night-

Alice is no longer listening, she is frozen on the spot.

FADE TO:

5 INT.COURTROOM- AFTERNOON

Alice is at the stand, everyone she knows is watching her, they are the jury. They are emotionless, they are all dressed similarly.

Alice is silent, breathing heavily and looking at everyone in a panic.

MOB MEMBER #1
(angrily) SPEAK!

ALICE
(After a few moments, upset) My name
is Alice Dowling-

MOB MEMBER #2
(offhandedly) Slut

ALICE
-I am sixteen years old

The Mob start to stir, a chorus of whore, slut, liar can be heard.

ALICE
I go to St.Michael's Secondary School

MOB MEMBER #3
(maliciously) I heard she's easy, I
heard she's a ride.

MOB MEMBER #1
She's always out with some lad!

The Mob is getting more aggressive, accusations are flying,
it's getting difficult to hear Alice.

ALICE
I am captain of the hockey team and I
love to run.

The Mob is still gradually getting louder and more
aggressive.

ALICE
I love my baby sister and I love being
with my friends. I went out with my
friends on Halloween Night.

MOB MEMBER #2
What were you wearing?!

MOB MEMBER #3
I'm sure she enjoyed it.

ALICE
and I was raped.

The Mob fall silent, they all stare at Alice for a few
moments.

The JUDGE slams his gavel.

JUDGE

Liar.

CUT TO:

6 EXT. THE WOODS- EVENING

The Mob have Alice tied with a rope, she has tape stuck to her mouth, she does not resist the Mob. They are like a cult, they wear sacks over their faces.

They walk through the woods slowly, although Alice is not resisting, she is upset, she knows what's going to happen to her.

The Mob bring Alice to a tree, they begin to tie her to the tree, her arms are stuck and she is helpless.

Alice, and the tree are burned.

CUT TO:

4 INT. COUNCILLOR'S OFFICE (INSIDE)-DAY(LATER)

MX.WALKER

Alice?

Alice snaps out of her own imagination, she recovers after a quick moment.

ALICE

Sorry what was that?

MX.WALKER

I said that a further investigation has to take place here, there's nothing more I can do but your parents have been contacted. So have the authorities, it's now out of my hands, you understand me?

ALICE

(swallows hard) yes.

CUT TO:

2 INT.SCHOOL-EARLY(NEXT DAY)

Alice takes a breath and walks into school, this time people are talking about her, she is not happy, but the looks do not worry her so much. She goes to her locker and opens it, inside sits a note, it reads 'I believe you'.

Alice tries not to smile, she pockets the note and closes the locker.

The next scene is additional and can be placed anywhere:

0 INT.PARTY-NIGHT

The party is not wild, Alice is sitting by herself drinking. She is not lonely she is just sitting out as everyone else dances.

Thomas sits down beside her, he is friendly and approachable.

THOMAS

Would you like to dance?

ALICE

(swallows her drink)

I-I'm a really bad dancer.

THOMAS

(smiling)

Everyone here is a bad dancer

Alice looks around, everyone is dancing rather badly.

ALICE

you're right.

THOMAS

Is that a yes?

ALICE

(laughing)

It's a yes.

Thomas takes Alice's hand and takes her to the dance floor. They dance quite sensually, but no better than anyone else. Alice drinks some more.

They stumble down a hallway, Thomas supporting Alice. He brings her into a room.

FADE OUT:

the end.