

# Professor McGonagall Side

Accent: Scottish



## ACT THREE SCENE TEN

HOGWARTS, HEADMISTRESS'S OFFICE

### Start

DRACO, GINNY *and* HARRY *stand behind a contrite-looking* SCORPIUS *and* ALBUS. PROFESSOR McGONAGALL *is fuming.*

PROFESSOR McGONAGALL

So to be clear – you illegally jumped off the Hogwarts Express, you invaded and stole from the Ministry of Magic, you took it upon yourself to change time, whereupon you disappeared two people—

ALBUS

I agree it doesn't sound good.

PROFESSOR McGONAGALL

And your response to disappearing Hugo and Rose Granger-Weasley was to go back in time again – and this time – instead of losing two people you lost a huge number of people and killed your father – and in doing so you resurrected the worst wizard the world has ever known and heralded in a new age of Dark Magic. (*Dry.*) You're correct, Mr Potter, it doesn't sound good does it? Are you aware how stupid you've been?

SCORPIUS

Yes, Professor.

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ALBUS *hesitates a moment. He looks at HARRY.*

ALBUS  
Yes.

HARRY  
Professor, if I may—

PROFESSOR MCGONAGALL  
You may not. What you choose to do as parents is your matter, but this is my school, and these are my students, and I will choose what punishment they will face.

DRACO  
Seems fair.

*HARRY looks at GINNY, who shakes her head.*

PROFESSOR MCGONAGALL  
I should expel you but *(with a look to HARRY)* all things considered – I think it might be safer for you to remain in my care. You are in detention for – well, you can consider yourself in detention for the rest of the year. Christmas is cancelled for you. You can forget visiting Hogsmeade ever again. And that's just the start . . .

*Suddenly HERMIONE bursts in. All action and resolve.*

HERMIONE  
What did I miss?

PROFESSOR MCGONAGALL *(fierce)*  
It is considered polite to knock when entering a room, Hermione Granger, maybe you missed that.

HERMIONE *(realises she's over-stepped)*  
Ah.

PROFESSOR MCGONAGALL  
If I could also give a detention to you, Minister, I would. Keeping hold of a Time-Turner, of all the stupid things!

HERMIONE  
In my defence—

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PROFESSOR MCGONAGALL

And in a bookcase. You kept it in a bookcase. It's almost laughable.

HERMIONE

Minerva. (*There is an intake of breath.*) Professor McGonagall—

PROFESSOR MCGONAGALL

Your children didn't exist!

HERMIONE *has no reply to that.*

This happened in my school, under my watch. After all that Dumbledore did, I couldn't live with myself . . .

HERMIONE

I know.

PROFESSOR MCGONAGALL *composes herself for a moment.*

PROFESSOR MCGONAGALL (*to ALBUS and SCORPIUS*)

Your intentions to save Cedric were honourable if misguided. And it does sound as if you were brave, Scorpius, and you, Albus, but the lesson even your father sometimes failed to heed is that bravery doesn't forgive stupidity. Always think. Think what's possible. A world controlled by Voldemort is—

SCORPIUS

A horrific world.

PROFESSOR MCGONAGALL

You are so young. (*She looks at HARRY, DRACO, GINNY and HERMIONE.*) You're all so young. You have no idea how dark the wizarding wars got. You were – reckless – with the world some people – some very dear friends of mine and yours – sacrificed a huge amount to create and sustain.

ALBUS

Yes, Professor.

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SCORPIUS

Yes, Professor.

PROFESSOR MCGONAGALL

Go on. Get out. The lot of you. And find me that  
Time-Turner.

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**End**

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