

The Grapes of Wrath

Dialogue Analysis by Carolina 8C

This used to be mine. I give it to
Grandpa when I went away.
You reckon they could be dead?

Tom is saying this little piece of the dialogue to Casy in when they enter the house of Tom's parents while they are looking for them. Well I like this piece of the dialogue because Tom, after a long time never seeing his family he could still remember stuff. For example he found a shoe in the house and he remembered that it was his mom's favorite shoe. Another example is this one; he remembered what was his and what he gave to his family, in this case grampa.

Lord, make us thankful for what we
are about to receive, for His sake.
Amen.

Ma says these lines as soon as she sees Tom. When she sees him she is so happy and she says these words. By this I see how much Ma loves Tom, and how much she missed him, and that it past a really long time since the last time they saw each other. I think it is really touching how Ma is so happy to see Tom.

And I ain't gonna listen either. I
tol' you what I'm gonna do.
And I don't give a hoot in a hollow
if they's oranges and grapes crowdin'
a fella outa bed even, I ain't a-
goin' to California!
This here's my country. I b'long
here.
It ain't no good--
--but it's mine.

This is grampa talking to everyone saying that he will not live his land, he will stay there with Muley and everyone will go away. While he is saying this he is sitting down in the steps of the front door. I think that grampa is really brave to remain alone there in the house that is going to get turned down the day after, but even that grampa is really stupid to remain there. This because were is he going to go after, I don't think he wants to die in the house, so he is going some were, but were. He doesn't know where his family is going to go after.

I never had my house pushed over
before. I never had my fambly stuck
out on the road. I never had to

lose... ever'thing I had in life.

This is Ma talking to Al while he was driving away from the house. Ma is sitting in front with Al and Granma. I like this because I never saw or heard someone so sad to leave there house knowing that it would be pushed down. Well, yeah I would be sad, but I don't think sad as Ma. This reveals that the character that is saying this is really emotional. That makes me so emotional and sad.

I know. Maybe that makes us tough.
Rich fellas come up an' they die,
an' their kids ain't no good, an'
they die out. But we keep a-comin'.
We're the people that live. Can't
nobody wipe us out. Can't nobody
lick us. We'll go on forever, Pa.
We're the people.

These are the last lines of the film. They are said by Ma to Pa while they are sitting in front with Al while he is driving away the last place they tried to live in. These lines were the only lines that really touched me when i first saw the movie. Every time after the film I continued to say; 'We'll go on forever, Pa. We're the people.' These were really touching. I even laughed when I saw the face of Pa when he heard this. He was just so happy and glad of Ma.