

York Castle Museum

Role cards: To allow students to select, or be given, specific roles to play within the courtroom scene.

Preparation: Print the cards and cut out. These sheets provide enough for a class of 30 students. If there are more or less students, equal numbers of the defence and prosecution legal teams can be added or removed.

Judge

Do you have questions for this witness?
You can step down
Have the jury reached a verdict?
Do you find the defendant guilty or not guilty?

Member of the Jury (Foreperson)

(Have you reached a verdict?)
Yes, Your Honour
We find the defendant guilty OR
We find the defendant not guilty.
Your vote: _____

Member of the Jury

Your vote: _____

If you all vote the same it is unanimous, if not discuss & vote again (and a majority will decide), if you are equally split the verdict is not guilty.

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Annabella Wilson Prosecution Witness

Martha denied being pregnant
You found the baby's body hidden
Martha said "If I have done anything, I am not to blame, for I have only done it in assisting myself".

Martha Chapel Defendant

You didn't know you were pregnant
You can't remember what happened or
hiding the baby's body
You are sad about losing your baby
and feel guilty and sorry

Member of the Defence Legal Team

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Chapel"
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