

Audition Sides - Elle, Chutney, the Court

(ENID looks confused and then steps forward, her hair permed exactly like Chutney's. PAULETTE fusses around her with a comb.)

START

(ELLE)

Now Ms. Wyndham, would Exhibit A's perm be similar to your own?

CHUTNEY

Duh.

ELLE

And now, one more time, you didn't see the murder or hear the gunshot because you were where?...

(The COURT groans, exasperated.)

ALL

In the shower!!!!

ELLE

Thank you. Now, Ms. Hoopes, would you dump this bucket of water onto your head?

(ENID is about to dump the water on her head.)

CHUTNEY

Idiot. You can't get a perm wet for 48 hours—

ELLE

Exactly!

(#36 – SCENE OF THE CRIME (PART 1) begins with a chord.)

Water deactivates the perm's ammonium thiglycolate and completely *ruins* it.

(chord)

It's the cardinal rule of perm maintenance.

(chord)

Your perm is still intact so you couldn't have showered that day. Why would you *lie* about being in the shower?

CHUTNEY

I was—

ELLE

Why would you *lie* about NOT hearing the gunshot?

CHUTNEY

But I—

END