

KATIE MORAG

But you *do*, don't you!

GRANNIE ISLAND

Hush now... I'm trying to concentrate.

KATIE MORAG REMAINS SILENT BUT SMILES KNOWINGLY TO HERSELF.

GRANNIE ISLAND FINALLY FINISHES WHAT SHE'S DOING AND PATS ALECINA GENTLY.

GRANNIE ISLAND (CONT'D)

Right... All we can do now is wait.

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INT. GRANNIE ISLAND'S CROFT - DAY

START

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GRANNIE ISLAND IS RINSING THE LAMB'S BOTTLES (AFTER STERIDENTING THEM!)AND IS PUTTING THEM BY THE SINK TO DRY. KATIE MORAG IS PERCHED ON THE SIDE OF THE SINK, WATCHING HER.

KATIE MORAG

Grannie Island..?

GRANNIE ISLAND

Hmmm?

KATIE MORAG

What happens to animals when they die?

GRANNIE ISLAND

What d'you mean?

KATIE MORAG

Well people have *funerals*... Like old Mrs Eckersley when the ladies from the bowling club came over from Oban and we planted the tree.

(beat)

But what do animals have when *they* die?

GRANNIE ISLAND

It depends. If it's a family pet folk might put it in a nice wee box and say a few words. If it's a farm animal... Not so much. They just bury it. (**bury** is TBC)

KATIE MORAG

That's sad.

GRANNIE ISLAND

Like I said, you shouldn't...

KATIE MORAG

You shouldn't get too fond of them!  
I know!

(beat)

But it still seems sad.

GRANNIE ISLAND LOOKS AT HER, THINKS FOR A MOMENT, THEN SIGHS.

GRANNIE ISLAND

Follow me.

KATIE MORAG

Where..?

GRANNIE ISLAND

I want to show you something.

END

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EXT. GRANNIE ISLAND'S - CAIRN

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GRANNIE ISLAND LEADS KATIE MORAG TO A SMALL CAIRN NOT FAR FROM THE CROFTHOUSE. A FEW COLOURFUL PEBBLES AND SHELLS HAVE BEEN LODGED IN THE CRACKS.

GRANNIE ISLAND

See the pebbles and shells... Have you ever wondered why I put them there?

KATIE MORAG

'Cause they're pretty..?