

EXCURSION

Focus: Using local resources

Synopsis

Kevwe, bright and naïve daughter of Jude wants to learn about the operations of the law courts as part of her Social Studies subject but is finding the topic too abstract.

Jude decides to take her on an excursion to a law court. Outside the court, she sees the statue of Justice. Kevwe asks why its eyes are blindfolded and Jude explains the symbol to her. As they proceed into the court premises, an excited Kevwe sees a condemned criminal being led into the Black Maria. She asks where he is being taken to and Jude explains everything to her. They enter when the court is in recess. Kevwe asks her father who the people in the court are and he shows her the lawyers, defendants, accused and court clerks. The Judge enters and all stand. Jude explains why. The clerk then addresses the Judge as "My Lord" and Kevwe is shocked. She interrupts the court process by telling them that God is "Lord" and is in heaven, so the Judge cannot be "Lord".