

Waiting for Godot Quotations

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Quotes

"Nothing to be done." (Estragon, Act 1)

Explanation:

Estragon says this at the beginning of the play. It shows the feeling of helplessness and that nothing in their lives changes.

"We're waiting for Godot." (Vladimir, Act 1)

Explanation:

Vladimir says this to explain why they are there. It shows the main action of the play, endless waiting for someone who never comes.

Estragon: "Let's go."

Vladimir: "We can't."

Estragon: "Why not?"

Vladimir: "We're waiting for Godot." (Act 1)

Explanation: This short dialogue shows they want to leave but cannot. Waiting controls their lives.

"Nothing happens, nobody comes, nobody goes, it's awful." (Estragon, Act 1)

Explanation:

Shows the boredom and emptiness of their lives. Time passes but nothing changes.

"We always find something, eh Didi, to give us the impression we exist?" (Estragon, Act 2)

Explanation:

This line shows they try to fill time so they can feel alive.

"They give birth astride of a grave, the light gleams an instant, then it's night once more." (Pozzo, Act 2)

Explanation:

Life is very short and ends in death.

"Let us not waste our time in idle discourse!" (Vladimir, Act 2)

Explanation:

Vladimir wants to do something useful instead of meaningless talk.

"People are bloody ignorant apes." (Estragon, Act 1)

Explanation:

Estragon says this to show his frustration with human nature. It reflects his belief that people are foolish and selfish.