

## Gangs

INT. THE BATHROOM

Bud is at the sink. He is cleaning a wound on his arm when his sister, Z, bursts in.

Z  
Let me see it.

BUD  
Leave me alone!

Z  
(Grabbing his arm) Oooo! They cut you good.

BUD  
Who told you?

Z  
Who didn't? Well, that's what you get for joining a gang.

BUD  
Shut up! We're not a gang.

Z  
What, you think I'm stupid? The 57's are a gang. Everyone knows that.

BUD  
Whatever.

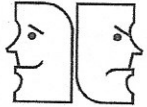
Z  
(Mimicking him) Whatever. What, you think you're cool now?

BUD  
Get out of here.

Z  
Mom finds out about this and you're dead.

Z starts to leave but Bud slams the door.

BUD  
You tell her and you're dead.



## Sensational Dramatic Scenes

Z

What, you threatening me? You going to get your boys to come over and take care of your little sister?

BUD

No, I'll do it myself.

Z

I can't believe you. You let those bunch of morons cut you with a knife so you could be a part of their stupid gang?

BUD

It's called initiation. You won't understand.

Z

Try me.

BUD

The 57's are cool.

BUD (cont'd)

They are. For once I'm part of something. I watch their back. They watch mine.

Z

They didn't watch Googie's back.

BUD

That's different.

Z

Why? 'Cause he died?

BUD

Look, I'm not going to get hurt.

Z

You might.

BUD

Z, I'm going to be okay.

Z

You promise?

BUD

Yeah. Don't tell mom.

Z

I can do what I want. Unlike you I don't need no stupid gang to tell me what to do. Give me your arm. You don't even know how to take care of yourself.