



## ACT TWO, SCENE FIVE

How surprised were you to read Troy died? Why? Why do you think August Wilson didn't include Troy's death on stage?

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How surprised were you to read that Cory is now a corporal in the Marines? Why do you think he chose this path?

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A wooden baseball bat stands vertically on the left side of the slide. A baseball is positioned at the base of the bat, leaning against it. The background is a textured, light-colored surface with a dark border.

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What is meant by the line, "You got to take the crooked with the straights"? How does this relate to the characters on stage preparing for Troy's funeral?

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A wooden baseball bat stands vertically on the left side of the image. At its base, a baseball is positioned. The background consists of vertical wooden planks, and the entire scene is framed by a dark, distressed border.

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How did Troy die? How is this symbolic?

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What purpose does Raynell serve in this scene? How is her situation unlike others at the play's end?

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Why doesn't Cory want to go to his father's funeral? Even though he ends up going, how has he said "no" to Troy?

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What has Rose realized about herself through Troy's death and in raising Raynell?

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What is the significance of the Blues song Cory and Raynell sing? Who could the "good old dog" symbolize?

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What is the significance of Gabriel's last line? Why is he the one given the final word? What does this mean for Troy?

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A wooden baseball bat stands vertically on the left side of the slide. At its base, a baseball is positioned horizontally. The bat and ball are rendered in a realistic style with shading and texture.

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August Wilson's purpose in writing the play was the chronical the Black experience of the 1950s. Are the issues raised in the play still relevant? Do these issues still exist? Explain.

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