

The Jerilderie Letter: Five-page close-focus task exemplar

Colourful/descriptive language (slang etc)

"It was a good job for him Ned was not there or he would ram the revolver down his throat" p.32

"slapped Heenans hug on him" p.33

"the deceit and cowardice is too plain to be seen in the puny cabbage hearted looking face" p.38

References to Police

"the Police got great credit and praise. . .for arresting the mother of 12 children, one an infant still on her breast" p. 36-7

"the trooper had no business on her premises without some authority" p. 32

'the trooper left and invented some scheme to say that he got shot which any man can see is false" p.34

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Pages 32-38 (inc. pictures)

Notes relating to style/tone

'great credit and praise' p. 36--sarcastic?

'it seems that the jury was well chosen by the police' p. 37--anger, frustration

References to injustice etc.

Footnote regarding Ellen Kelly, p. 36-37

"they thought it impossible. . .get promoted" p. 37-38