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SWEENEY TODD

THE DEMON BARBER OF FLEET STREET

THE GRAPHIC NOVEL

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CHAPTER I
*The Strange Customer
at Sweeney Todd's*

IN LONDON'S
FLEET STREET...

...WHEN ST. DUNSTAN'S
CHURCH WAS STILL IN
ITS GLORY...

...THERE STOOD A
SMALL BARBER
SHOP, RUN BY...

SWEENEY TODD



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BARBERS WERE NOT **STYLISH** BACK THEN...



...AND SWEENEY TODD WAS **OLD-FASHIONED**.

HE HAD A **WEIRD LAUGH**, AND HE WOULD FIND **STRANGE THINGS FUNNY**.

HIS LAUGH WAS SO **WIERD** THAT PEOPLE WOULD LOOK **AROUND** TO FIND OUT WHERE THE NOISE WAS COMING FROM.



Hee Hee Hee



BUT FOR ALL HIS FAULTS, HE HAD A **GOOD BUSINESS** AND DID **WELL** FOR HIMSELF.

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THIS WAS SWEENEY TODD IN 1785.



REMEMBER, TOBIAS RAGG, YOU WORK FOR ME NOW.

YES, SIR.



HERE YOU WILL LEARN MY TRADE - SO LET ME MAKE ONE THING CLEAR.



YES, SIR.



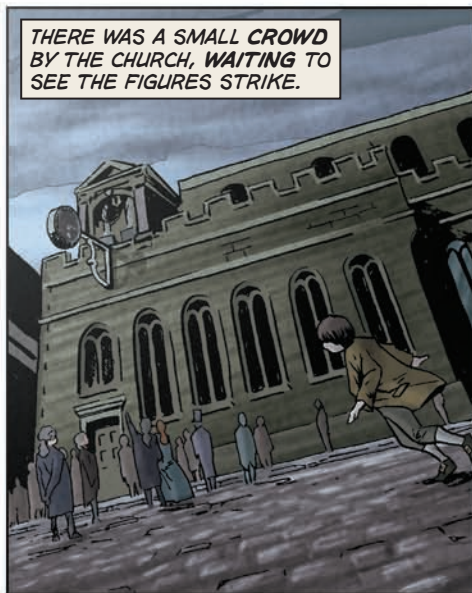
I WILL CUT YOUR THROAT IF YOU TELL ANYONE WHAT GOES ON IN THIS SHOP. DO YOU UNDERSTAND?



YES SIR. I WON'T SAY A WORD. LET ME BE MADE INTO ONE OF MRS. LOVETT'S MEAT PIES IF I DO.



HMMM... VERY WELL THEN - AND REMEMBER YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED TO GO INTO THE BACK ROOMS.





THERE'S A BARBER SHOP.

BEFORE I VISIT JOHANNA TO BREAK THE SAD NEWS TO HER THAT POOR MARK INGESTRIE IS DEAD AND GONE --



-- AND GIVE HER THE VALUABLE STRING OF PEARLS --

-- I WILL HAVE A SHAVE.



WHAT'S THE MATTER, HECTOR?



EASY, BOY!



I DON'T LIKE DOGS. WILL YOU MAKE HIM STAY OUTSIDE, SIR?

YOU'RE THE FIRST PERSON HE'S TAKEN A DISLIKE TO.



I SUPPOSE HE DOESN'T LIKE YOUR LOOKS.



HEH HEH HEH

WHAT WAS THAT NOISE?



IT WAS ONLY ME, LAUGHING.

TOBIAS, GO AND BUY ME SOME BISCUITS.



I SUPPOSE YOU WANT A SHAVE, SIR? THERE AIN'T ANOTHER BARBER IN ALL OF LONDON THAT *POLISHES 'EM OFF* LIKE I DO.

AS LONG AS YOU PROMISE NOT TO LAUGH LIKE THAT AGAIN.

ALL RIGHT



BEEN TO SEA, SIR?

YES. I'VE JUST RETURNED FROM INDIA.

DO YOU KNOW MR. OAKLEY, THE SPECTACLE-MAKER?



YES I DO, HE HAS A DAUGHTER, JOHANNA. WHY, SIR?

I HAVE AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR HER, AND ALSO A VALUABLE GIFT.



INDEED! NOW WHERE IS MY SHARPENER? OH YES, I JUST REMEMBERED, IT IS IN THE BACK ROOM.

SIT STILL AND READ THE PAPER, SIR. I WILL BE BACK IN A MOMENT.



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THE CUSTOMER WAS NO LONGER IN THE CHAIR. ALL THAT REMAINED OF HIM WAS HIS HAT.

