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## ***Just Lather That's All***

by Hernando Tellez

### **1. What is Just Lather That's All about?**

"Just Lather That's All" is a short story written by Hernando Tellez, and is set in a Colombian town that is facing an issue of insurgency. The story begins with a man known as Captain Torres walking into a barber shop for a shave. The barber comes to a decision that he won't stain his hands with blood.

### **2. What is the main theme of the story Just Lather That's All?**

Theme: Duty. The barber has a strong sense of duty. He's nervous upon recognizing Captain Torres, but he doesn't refuse him service. He prepares for the shave as he would for anyone else. The story further develops the themes of bravery, heroism and common sense.

### **3. When was Just Lather That's All written?**

1950

### **4. What is the message of Just Lather That's All?**

The message of "Just Lather, That's All" is the nuances of morality and an exploration of the line between doing what is "best" and what is "moral."

### **5. What is the irony in Just Lather That's All?**

Situational irony, in which the story's circumstances are the opposite of what would be expected or considered appropriate. In "Just Lather, That's All" it is ironic that a barber is taking pains not to spill a drop of blood from a man who is an executioner.

### **6. What is the climax of Just Lather That's All?**

The climax is the most important and highest point of the story, when the protagonist makes an important decision. The climax is when the barber decides not to kill captain Torres and says I am not a murderer and am only a barber. barber keeps asking himself if he should kill Torres.

### **7. What is the resolution in Just Lather That's All?**

The resolution in the story is when Captain Torres pauses at the doorway and says, "They told me you'd kill me. I came to find out. But killing isn't easy. You can take my word for it."

### **8. What is the rising action of Just Lather That's All?**

Exposition: This takes place in the first paragraph, in which Captain Torres enters the barber's shop and requests a shave. Rising Action: This is the vast majority of the story as the barber considers killing the Captain and ponders the practical and moral ramifications of doing so.

**9. Who is the protagonist in Just Lather That's All?**

The barber is the protagonist.

**10. Why didn't Barber kill Torres?**

The barber didn't kill Captain Torres because he thought that each person has his own place in the scheme of things. At that time, Captain Torres was an executioner and he was only a barber whose job was to lather, not murder. He wanted to perform his work honourably.

**11. What is the main conflict in Just Lather That's All?**

The main conflict in Just Lather That's All is Barber vs Society. The Barber (the protagonist) does not agree with the current government. He wants change. This forces him to join the rebellion.

**12. What is the central conflict of Just Lather That's All?**

In "Just Lather, That's All," the central conflict involves the barber's dilemma over whether or not he should kill Captain Torres. From a logical perspective, the barber believes that Captain Torres deserves to die because of the extreme violence he has demonstrated against members of the barber's rebel group.

**13. What is an example of foreshadowing in Just Lather That's All?**

In the story, foreshadowing happens when the barber sharpens the razor while Captain Torres is in the chair. That makes the reader think that maybe the barber will use the freshly sharpened razor on the Captain's throat. The captain is vulnerable in his position. We think he might die.

**14. Which is an example of internal conflict?**

With internal conflicts, you might feel a clash between competing desires. For example, an alcoholic may struggle not to reach for the bottle of bourbon. That person knows they need to stop drinking, but the desire to drink is very strong, leading to an intense internal struggle.

**15. Who are the characters in lather and nothing?**

The main characters of this story are the barber and Captain Torres. The barber was the protagonist and Torres was the antagonist.

**16. Who is the antagonist in Just Lather That's All?**

The protagonist is the Barber and Captain Torres is the antagonist.

**17. What Is the Difference Between Internal and External Conflict?**

1. Internal conflict is when a character struggles with their own opposing desires or beliefs. It happens within them, and it drives their development as a character.
2. External conflict sets a character against something or someone beyond their control.

**18. What is an example of external conflict?**

Examples of External Conflict: Man-the character is in conflict with another person in the story. Man vs. Society-the character faces conflict due to some type of societal norm that is in conflict with his/her beliefs or actions.

19. What are examples of conflicts?

*7 Types of Conflict in Fiction*

1. Person vs. Person. Also called man vs.man
2. Person vs. Nature. This type of conflict counters a character against some force of nature, such as an animal or the weather.
3. Person vs. Society.
4. Person vs. Technology.
5. Person vs. Supernatural.
6. Person vs. Self.
7. Person vs. Destiny (Fate/Luck/God)

20. What is external conflict in real life?

In an external conflict, a character may be struggling against another character, the natural world, or society. External conflict is defined in contrast to internal conflict, in which the struggle is between a character and themselves—for example, between selfish and selfless impulses.

21. What are the causes of external conflicts?

This can be conflict that is observed in others or outside forces that are causing conflict for the person, such as an unhappy customer or an unruly supplier. External conflict can also be caused when the management style of the business owner does not set well with the employees of the organization.

22. How do you explain external conflict?

External conflict is a struggle that takes place between the main character and some outside force. Therefore, it is outside the body of the protagonist. Usually, it occurs when the protagonist struggles against the antagonist, a character that opposes the protagonist in the main body of the story.

23. What is a main conflict?

What Is Central Conflict? Central conflict in a novel is when a main character's defining desire clashes with an internal or external obstacle. In traditional literary terms, the rising action introduces the conflict, and the falling action resolves it in some way by the end of the story.