

C H A P T E R T H R E E

AT THAT MOMENT LADY PRESCOTT, THE WIFE OF THE PRISON GOVERNOR, ARRIVED.

SHE TOOK _____ HER COAT.

For goodness sake stop crying, Gerald. Pull yourself _____ man! What's wrong with you? Why don't you grow _____?

I can't help it. Yet another of my prisoners has run _____ - That's the fifth one this week. Why don't they like it here? Is it the prison food? Or the colour of the walls? Or my after shave? I wish I knew.

That's it. I've had enough of all this nonsense. I hate to see a grown man cry and I'm not going to put _____ it any longer. I'm leaving you, Gerald! I'm going to break _____ our marriage and run _____ to a run down area of Birmingham.

AND WITH THAT HE BURST _____ TEARS AGAIN.

SHE PUT _____ HER COAT.

But you can't do that! If you run _____ to a run down area of Birmingham I'll have a nervous breakdown.

That's your problem, not mine. I'm going to walk _____ that door and you'll never see me again!

But I won't let you go. If you run _____ I'll run _____ you.

If I run _____ to a run down area and you run _____ me I'll run you in my car.

OUR car. You should remember that we bought it together. But you must be careful my dear. If you run _____ to a run down area of Birmingham and I run _____ you and you run _____ me in the car you might then run _____ a tree and the cost of repairing the damage could run _____ hundreds of pounds.

Money! Money! Money! That's all you care _____! Here am I threatening to break _____ our marriage and run _____ to a run down area of Birmingham and all you can think about is the cost of repairing the car - OUR car - if you run _____ me and I run _____ you and then run _____ a tree! That's so typical of you! Self! Self! Me! Me! Me! I've had enough. I've run _____ of patience, Gerald. I'm _____.