

EPISODE 23

CHARACTERS

Abokede

Jide

Tayo

Azeez

Sofiat

Oyemade

Voices

SCENE 1

Azeez Ojekunle's house. Jide's father

1. **SFX:** **SOUND OF FOOTSTEPS PACING IMPATIENTLY. GATE OPENS AND CLOSSES**
2. **JIDE:** **(ON MIC)** Good evening dad,
3. **AZEEZ:** **(COLDLY)** Welcome, Jide. I have been waiting for you.
4. **JIDE:** **(JOKING)** Anh anh dad! I am not late at all today o.
5. **AZEEZ:** **(SNAPS)** For once
6. **JIDE:** Dad, is something the matter? Why are you outside in the compound all alone,
7. **AZEEZ:** **(DISAPPOINTED)** I am just looking at you and wondering where I've gone wrong. I'm wondering if you are still my son
8. **JIDE:** **(WORRIED)** Ah, dad! What did I do?
9. **AZEEZ:** **(FIERCELY)** You tell me Jide! Is it true that you are still dancing
10. **JIDE:** **(STAMMERS)** I,,, I,,, don't understand sir
11. **AZEEZ:** Will you shut up your mouth, aunty Funke came here asking me to warn you over joke, and said something about your dance troupe
12. **JIDE:** **(SURPRISED)** D....dance troupe?
13. **AZEEZ:** **(ANGRILY)** Stop paying dumb with me Jide! You went to make costumes for a dance troupe, and I wonder how come you still have time for that as a medical student
14. **JIDE:** **(FEARFULLY, STAMMERS)** I... I can explain everything dad!

15. **AZEEZ:** I forbade you to stop dancing Jide! How could you go behind my back and do this?
16. **JIDE:** Dad... I love dance! I tried to stop but I couldn't. I just didn't know how to tell you and that is why I changed my course to theatre arts
17. **AZEEZ:** **(THUNDEROUSLY)** You what??? Is this a joke?
18. **JIDE:** Dad! I...
19. **AZEEZ:** Are you telling me that all that Funke told me is true? You? Jide? A common dancer? I have been paying your Medical school fees for how long now
20. **JIDE:** I can explain sir
21. **AZEEZ:** **(ANGRILY)** Explain what? That you have been duping me? Lying? Because I didn't go to school you think I'm a fool.
22. **JIDE:** Please dad, I didn't mean...
23. **AZEEZ:** And you just recently collected N20,000 that you are travelling to Dubai for a medical conference! You are such a stupid little liar
24. **JIDE:** Dad, I am indeed going to Dubai but it is for a show dad!
25. **AZEEZ:** You this cockroach! You must be silly for saying that. Look Jide, I have no time to trade words with you, just go back to that school of yours and change your course back to Medicine!
26. **JIDE:** Daddy please, there is no way....
27. **AZEEZ:** Yes there is a way even if you have to write JAMB all over again. A medical doctor you will be and that is final
28. **JIDE:** Daddy please, there is no other thing that can give me joy like theatre arts
29. **AZEEZ:** you are a loser and a useless son, you expect me to spend all that money all for you to become a common dancer
30. **JIDE:** Dad, I can't change back to Medicine! I ...
31. **AZEEZ:** You dare defy me? Jide! You are defying me, your father? You will pay back every kobo I have ever spent on your education
32. **JIDE:** Please sir... daddy, this is my passion... arts is my life...
33. **AZEEZ:** **(SHOUTS)** you are not my son, if you will not do as I say
(STARTS CHOKING) If... if...
34. **JIDE:** **(PANIC)** Daddy, what is it? Daddy get up!
35. **SFX:** **CHOKING SOUND CONTINUES AND A LOUD THUD IS HEARD AMIDST JIDE'S SHOUT FOR HELP**
36. **JIDE:** **(SCARED AND IN TEARS)** Daddy, daddy, somebody help. Daddy get up! Please daddy... I will change to Medicine. I promise please get up. Helppppppp.
37. **BRIDGE MUSIC:** **UP AND FADES UNDER**

SCENE 2

Abokede's House

38. **SFX:** **DOOR OPENS AND CLOSES**
39. **ABOKEDE:** (**URGENTLY**) Tayo, welcome back. I have been waiting for you?
40. **TAYO:** (**WARILY**) Thank you Abokede. Hope no problem?
41. **ABOKEDE:** Tayo, I just got a call from Folashade! She said you are pregnant
42. **TAYO:** (**SIGHS**) Yes!
43. **ABOKEDE:** How come you didn't tell me? You are my sister and we stay under the same roof
44. **TAYO:** Because I don't know how to tell you.
45. **ABOKEDE:** Okay. So who is the father of the child?
46. **TAYO:** (**SARCASTICALLY**) I thought you said Folashade called you. She should have told you who the father is
47. **ABOKEDE:** Tayo, Folashade told me that you said her husband, Oyemade is responsible
48. **TAYO:** (**DISMISSIVELY**) Then you know...
49. **ABOKEDE:** (**EXASPERATED**) But why would you claim Oyemade is responsible for your pregnancy
50. **TAYO:** What kind of question is that Abokede, I am not a kid! How won't I know who I got pregnant for?
51. **ABOKEDE:** Folashade said she has told you to do paternity test to prove that Oyemade is indeed responsible
52. **TAYO:** What silly test is that? When he is doing it, did he do test to confirm if he should sleep with me or not?
53. **ABOKEDE:** But that is your own story.
54. **TAYO:** Abokede, you are my sister! Are you saying that you don't believe me?
55. **ABOKEDE:** I really do not know what to believe right now. if you do the paternity test suggested by Oyemade and Folashade, then the story will be clear and believable
56. **TAYO:** (**HURT**) I am surprise that even you my sister can doubt my words
57. **ABOKEDE:** I doubt it very much because I know you took out your FP implants because of a man you claimed was your fiancé. Where is he now?
58. **TAYO:** So what are you insinuating?
59. **ABOKEDE:** That the baby could be his as well. You obviously loved him enough to go off your method for him
60. **TAYO:** I am a woman and I know who is responsible
61. **ABOKEDE:** I know you know who is responsible. But I very much doubt that it is Oyemade and you know it

62. **TAYO:** (SHOUTS) Oyemade is responsible
63. **ABOKEDE:** Great! If you are so sure, then do the paternity test to prove it.
64. **TAYO:** Abokede, I have told you my own. I am not doing any test
65. **ABOKEDE:** Fine! Then I don't think you can continue to stay with me and my husband in this house. Before bringing this trouble to my home, have you forgotten that Folashade is my husband's sister?
66. **TAYO:** (SURPRISED) Excuse me?
67. **ABOKEDE:** (FIRMLY) You heard me, you can't stay here any longer if you cannot proof that you are saying the truth
68. **TAYO:** Me? Abokede! You are chasing me away from your home?
(CLAPS HANDS)eee I can't believe this
69. **BRIDGE MUSIC:** UP AND FADES UNDER

SCENE 3

Oyemade's Office

70. **SFX:** DOOR OPENS FORCEFULLY AND SLAMS SHUT
71. **OYEMADE:** (STARTLED) Tayo! What is the meaning of this
72. **TAYO:** Oyemade, please don't ask me silly question please,
73. **OYEMADE:** (ANGRILY) Barging into my office like that, have you no courtesy at all
74. **TAYO:** (HISSES) Courtesy? I lost that a long time ago when you got me pregnant and refused to take responsibility
75. **OYEMADE:** please Tayo, leave my office
76. **TAYO:** I will not leave, Oyemade. You have been avoiding me
77. **OYEMADE:** (RETORTS) With good reason!
78. **TAYO:** You have not picking been picking my calls
79. **OYEMADE:** Why would I pick your call when I have absolutely nothing to talk to you about, please leave my office
80. **TAYO:** I am not going anywhere Oyemade, do your worst!
81. **OYEMADE:** (MENACINGLY) respect yourself and leave before I call security to throw you out
82. **TAYO:** (LAUGHS) you make me laugh, go on! Call security and the whole world will hear what you have done
83. **OYEMADE:** excuse me?
84. **TAYO:** Yes the world will hear, that I've come to see the father of my unborn child and he is refusing to see me
85. **OYEMADE:** you must be sick , I am not the father of your bastard child
86. **TAYO:** Look here mister, I have my luggage outside! Just close and take me home!
87. **OYEMADE:** (BEWILDERED) What are you saying?

88. **TAYO:** Exactly what you heard! I cannot have my baby in Abokede's house. So you have a choice! You can either rent me an apartment or take me home with you!
89. **OYEMADE:** I think something is wrong with you! Tayo, I have enough of this tantrums and blackmail
90. **TAYO:** Who is blackmailing you? I am only telling you what you should do as the father of my child
91. **OYEMADE:** I have had it! Look you wretched idiot! I have been really calm about this because of Abokede and Bello.
92. **TAYO:** Why won't you be...
93. **SFX:** **DIALING A NUMBER, PHONE RINGS**
94. **OYEMADE:** Security! Come to my office now!!
95. **TAYO:** **(ALARMED)** you are calling the security to throw me out
96. **SFX:** **DOOR OPENS AND CLOSES**
97. **VOICE:** Yes sir!
98. **OYEMADE:** Please escort this woman off the property! And if she ever returns here, lock her up for trespassing!
99. **VOICE:** Yes sir! Madam , respect yourself and move
100. **SFX:** **SOUND OF SMALL INTERMITTENT STRUGGLE**
101. **TAYO:** Don't push me ooo, you , you are just deceiving yourself, you had better accept this for your own good
102. **BRIDGE MUSIC:** **UP AND FADES UNDER**

SCENE 4

The Ojekunle's residence

103. **SFX:** **SORROWFUL MOOD. ISLAMIC BURIAL SONGS PLAYING OFF MIC**
104. **JIDE:** **(CRYING)** Haaa, daddy! Mummy, I can't believe we just buried daddy! Noooo. I killed him! I am sure he died because of me
105. **SOFIAT:** Stop saying that Jide. I have told you did not kill your father
106. **JIDE:** Mum, I did! If only I had listened to him, he wouldn't have died! All he wanted was for me to be a medical doctor
107. **SOFIAT:** I am sure your father is proud of you, you were only following your passion
108. **JIDE:** My passion killed him mum
109. **SOFIAT:** That's not true Jide! Your father died of heart attack
110. **JIDE:** I was the one that made him have a heart attack
111. **SOFIAT:** It wasn't your fault Jide! Your dad had been diagnosed with high blood pressure and hypertension for a while now but he refused to take his drugs

112. **JIDE:** (CRIES HARDER) I wish he didn't die. I betrayed him. I led a double life. I will stop dancing! I promise!!
113. **SOFIAT:** It is okay Jide
114. **SFX:** **KNOCK ON THE DOOR**
115. **SOFIAT:** come in
116. **SFX:** **DOOR OPENS AND CLOSES**
117. **VOICE:** Good afternoon ma. Are you mama Jide?
118. **SOFIAT:** Yes I am.
119. **VOICE:** (IN TEARS) I am bimpe, Azeez Ojekunle's wife, I heard of his death and I decided to come to introduce myself and his two children to his family
120. **SOFIAT:** (SHOCKED) What? My own husband? Had kids with you?
121. **JIDE:** That is impossible!
122. **VOICE:** I am very sorry. He told me you didn't know of this. Please I am sorry to come like this. But as he is dead, my children need to know their father's family.
123. **SFX:** **KNOCK ON DOOR. DOOR OPEN AND CLOSES**
124. **VOICE2:** good evening ma
125. **JIDE:** (SNAPS) Good evening, please we are having a serious conversation here.
126. **VOICE2:** Please don't be annoyed. I am Adenike , Azeez Ojekunle's wife and I am carrying his baby
127. **SOFIAT:** (BURST INTO TEARS) HAAAAA, Another one? You too are pregnant for my husband?
128. **VOICE2:** I am sorry. I heard that he died so I came to show myself
129. **JIDE:** this is impossible!
130. **VOICE:** Please carry out any test you want. My children belongs to your father
131. **VOICE2:** I am ready for any test too
132. **JIDE:** This is crazy! My father did this?
133. **SOFIAT:** Oh my God!!! This can't be happening
134. **JIDE:** I can't belief this! I really can't, please I need fresh air
135. **SFX:** **FOOT STEPS BARGES OUT. DOOR OPENS AND CLOSES**
136. **BRIDGE MUSIC:** **UP AND FADES**