



## Living with Disability

*Care at home - Ann's story Scene 1*

**ANGUS:**

Aye.

**ANN:**

Come on, Dad. It's just one more step.

**ANGUS:**

I can do it!

**ANN:**

Oh. You all right?

**ANGUS:**

I can do it. I don't need help. I'm all right.

**ANN:**

Just hold on the banister. Oh. Have you got it?

**ANGUS:**

Annie, Annie. I'm going to fall.

**ANN:**

Dad? OK. Hang on to me. Hang on a minute.

**ANGUS:**

Ah, help. Ah, Ah.

**ANN:**

Are you all right Dad? Dad? Ah, no broken bones.

**ANGUS:**

You made me fall! Why, why did you not hold me up?

**ANN:**

I did, Dad, I was holding you, I just said to you to wait on the stairs for a minute!

**ANGUS:**

What is happening to me, Annie? This Parkinson's. It's cruel. I cannae hold myself up any more.

**ANN:**

Just hold on and I'll get you up.

**ANGUS:**

Aye. I need the ...

**ANN:**

Just put your arm around me.

**ANGUS:**

I need the toilet now.

**BOB:**

Hello? Ann? I'm back!

**ANN:**

Bob, we're up here! Could you give us a wee hand?

**BOB:**

Oh for Christ's sake, not again! Are you both all right?

**ANGUS:**

You keep out of it, Bob, it's nothing to do with you, I can look after myself.

**BOB:**

So why are you lying on the landing?

**ANN:**

Bob, we've just had a wee fall, we don't need a row about it. Now could you just help us up please?

**BOB:**

Ann, this is ridiculous! We've got to get some help for him!

**ANN:**

Will you just give us a wee hand? We can talk about this later.

**ANGUS:**

Aye, talk about me behind my back, why don't you?

**BOB:**

Come on, Angus, let's get you up.

**ZOE:**

I'm home!

**BOB:**

That's it, Angus, a few more steps to the bathroom. That's it.

**ZOE:**

I said I'm home!

**ANN:**

Oh, hang on Zoë, we're a wee bit tied up just now!

**ZOE:**

Mum I failed my English.

**BOB:**

Zoë, we'll talk to you in a minute, all right? We're kind of busy at the moment!

**ZOE:**

You lot don't care if I live or die! I hate you!

**ANN:**

Oh, Zoë!

**ANGUS:**

I need the toilet.

**BOB:**

Ann, I've got to go out quite soon - is the tea on?

**ANN:**

What you talking about?

**BOB:**

I've got a football match

**ANN:**

What? I'm supposed to be meeting Cheryl!

**BOB:**

Look I have to go, Ann! They can't get somebody else at short notice just to fill in for me can they? It's not my fault you're having a bad day.

**ANN:**

I'm not having a bad day. Look, I'll phone Cheryl and see if I can rearrange.

**ANGUS:**

I need the toilet.