

Brooklyn

Section 4 – Back to Enniscorthy

1. How does Eilis look and behave differently when she comes back from New York?
Do other people behave differently to her?
2. Why does Eilis put on her wedding ring when she visits the graveyard?
3. Eilis seems initially hostile towards Jim. Can you give examples?
4. How does Jim defy her expectations?
5. At the church her mother had said that she would get Eilis a key as she didn't want to wait up. Why is she still awake when Eilis returns home?
6. Does Eilis wear her wedding ring the next time she visits the graveyard? Is this important?
7. Comment on the use of music and slow motion when Eilis and the others reach the beach. What effect do you think the film makers are trying to achieve?
8. How does this visit to the beach compare with Coney Island?
9. How is Jim's invitation to meet his family different from Tony's?
10. What do you think Eilis's comment 'I wish it'd been like this before' means?