

Excerpt from Moonrise Kingdom

****Please prepare reading for both parts, SAM & REDFORD, in separate takes****

SAM
What do you creeps want?

REDFORD shrugs and answers with a callous smile:

REDFORD
We're looking for you.

SAM
Why?

REDFORD
Because you're a fugitive.

SAM
No, I'm not. Didn't you get my letter of resignation? I quit the Khaki Scouts.

REDFORD
You're still in uniform.

Pause. SAM quickly takes off his shirt and throws it aside.

REDFORD
Well it doesn't matter, anyway. You don't have that authority. We've been deputized. Now are you going to come along peacefully or not?

SAM takes a deep breath. He pleads:

SAM
Listen to some reason: I don't like you. You don't like me. Why don't you stupid idiots just let us disappear?

REDFORD
(pause)
It's tempting but I can't allow it.

DELUCA Spits on the ground. He says to SUZY:

DELUCA
You shouldn't be friends with him.

SUZY
(offended)
Why not?

DELUCA
Because he's crazy.

SUZY
(coldly)
Maybe you just don't know him.

REDFORD
We know him a lot better than you. He's emotionally disturbed because his family died.
Nickleby, tie him up.

NICKLEBY takes a step forward with his bow pointed and ready. SUZY looks furious. SAM whips his rifle off his shoulder with a twirl. He points it at REDFORD & NICKLEBY. NICKLEBY hesitates. SAM says darkly:

SAM
Do not cross this stick.

SAM motions to a twig on the ground in front of him. Silence.

REDFORD
You're doomed Shakusky.

REDFORD revs the motor and pops the clutch.