

Frank O'Connor
First Confession
More questions to challenge you!

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Jackie is a young Irish boy who is being forced to make his first confession. He is terrified of the ordeal because he has several sins which he feels he must hide but this would constitute a "Bad Confession". The punishment for a "Bad Confession" would be an eternity in hell. His confession, however, proves to be very different from what he expected.

1. Refer to Jackie's first attempt at confession:
 - Why is the confessional dark inside? (2)
 - Comment on the bizarre happenings in the confessional. (4)
 - The priest does not realise that Jackie is inside the confessional. Why does he not realise this? (4)
 - Comment on the priest's sudden change of allegiance: from being angry with Jackie to defending him. (4)

2. Jackie at last is able to make his confession.
 - Comment on the priest's reaction to all the sins that Jackie confesses. (4)
 - Why is Nora so incredulous and upset when Jackie tells her about his confession? (4)

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