

The Tempest abbreviated

Act 1, Scene 2.2

Resentment

Situation: An emotional Prospero becomes loud and angry as he continues his history lesson for his daughter. He tells her how his brother Antonio conspired with the king of Naples to replace him as duke of Milan. He tells her how late one night with help from others Antonio and the king of Naples put the two of them on a small boat, taking them out to sea, leaving them to fend for themselves.

MIRANDA: Your tale, sir, would cure deafness.

Prospero to Miranda, No. 3

He thinks me undeserving of earthly
Justice, and so eager for power he
Conspired with the King of Naples to give
Him annual tribute, do him homage, and
In other ways bend the dukedom to live
Under most ignoble stooping. This land
Of Naples, governed by this king who backs
My brother's suit that I, as one who lacks
Rights, should be driven from our fair dukedom;
That confers all honors on my brother,
Whereon one midnight in sheer darkness from
Milan's gates a crying you and I were
Taken by agents for the purpose. They
Placed us on a bark, sending us away.