

1. Feeling like a prisoner, always perfect, always the best
 - a. Sullivan: Hi MC, this is a little weird, but could we go talk?
 - b. ...
 - c. **(dungeons, dark with bars on windows and books on desk)**
 - d. Sorry to just jump into this, but, do you ever feel like you are trapped?
 - e. Like - I spent a lot of time in courtrooms growing up. I watched a lot of prisoners waiting for their sentencing. After each side has presented their case, the jury leaves to deliberate.
 - f. During that deliberation, the prisoner just sits there - not knowing if they are going to prison or if they will be free. That unknown is its own form of torture.
 - g. That is how I feel every day. I feel like a prisoner whose sentence hasn't started yet.
 - h. I feel so much pressure to achieve and succeed, to be perfect all the time, and to live up to the expectations of my parents and family for my career. It feels like I don't have a choice in the matter.
 - i. I am the prisoner waiting for my guilty verdict with the sentencing coming once I graduate.
 - j. I'm going to live a life where I have no freedom.
 - k. **Choice:** It isn't that bad. You have more control than you think.
 - l. Ha, sure. I was asked to figure out these magical corridors, I was expected to do it by myself, but I was wrong.
 - m. **CHOICE:** Yeah, not a smart move That's why teams are good.
 - n. I agree with you its just - I - I wanted to prove that I could do it. Now people will think I'm not cut out for it. Instead of being the hero, I'm another victim.
 - o. It wasn't supposed to happen to me.
 - p. (buzzing - phone or pager or wand)
 - q. Uh oh- I've got to go, the headmaster needs me. Thanks for listening to me ramble.
 - r. (he leaves)
 - s. YOu feel like you know Sullivan a little better.
 - t. (Level up)
 - u. YOu should go back to your dorm
 - v. (end scene)
2. Background on family, legacy, lawyers, head boy, valedictorians, he isn't sure that he wants it, but he has to keep the legacy going.
 - a. Oh, Hi [MC] thanks for stopping. Do you have some time today to talk?
 - b. ...
 - c. **(library, buried in a mound of books)**
 - d. Sorry about all this. I've been trying to apply to wizard law school out east. They are very strict on their credentials.
 - e. **Choice:** Law school? That's tough! That is exciting!
 - f. Well, yes and no. It isn't like I have a choice really.

- g. You see, my parents were both valedictorians and prefects here at Clark's and at Jamestown's School of Higher Magic. Together, they started one of the most successful law firms in the region.
 - h. It has been pounded into me since I was a kid that I would take over their law office once I graduated.
 - i. **Choice:** Is that what you want? That is a lot to live up to.
 - j. ...
 - k. To be honest, I - I don't think that is what I want to do.
 - l. I don't think I would be good at Wizard Law. It does not come naturally to me, every day is a fight to keep up with the others. I can barely keep up.
 - m. I don't know what I would do, but I don't want to let my parent down. They are so proud of me, I can't imagine their disappointment in me if I didn't become a lawyer.
 - n. So, I keep my head down and keep working and I'm going to keep working until I get it.
 - o. That is the only way.
 - p. (buzzing - phone or pager or wand)
 - q. Uh oh- There is a fight on the 3rd floor with a couple 2nd years. I need to attend to it. Thanks for talking.
 - r. (he gets up to leave)
 - s. You feel like you know Sullivan a little better.
 - t. (Level up)
 - u. You should go back to your dorm
 - v. (end scene)
3. Overwhelming workload, snaps at player, just snaps - can't do it all. People come up to him asking for things (1 professors, 2 students)
- a. Hi [MC], I could use a study partner today.
 - b. ...
 - c. **(great hall surrounded by books)**
 - d. Thanks for coming, I just needed someone here so I don't go insane.
 - e. **Choice:** Are you able to keep up with this? There is a lot here.
 - f. Maybe, maybe not. But it has to get done. Three assignments for charms, two for wizard law, one for transfiguration, a potion on strength for potions, and six seedlings to plant for herbology.
 - g. There is never enough time in the day.
 - h. (professor walks up - transfiguration)
 - i. Professor: Ah, Mr Parkes, don't forget about the prefect meeting this afternoon.
 - j. (alert animation)
 - k. I had forgotten. I'll be there.
 - l. (she leaves, another student walks up)
 - m. Student: Hi Sullivan, just checking on the group project for astronomy - you were supposed to chart stars last night, could I see that?
 - n. Oh no.

- o. Student: Don't tell me you forgot. That's three times this project Sullivan - come on, we need you on this.
 - p. I'll - I'll figure something out.
 - q. (she leaves, a new student walks up)
 - r. Student: Here is that transfiguration assignment you asked for (gives piece of paper and puts on desk)
 - s. Student: I expect my detention to be revoked.
 - t. Sullivan: I'll clear it.
 - u. (student walks away)
 - v. Sullivan: I'm sorry you had to see that.
 - w. **CHOICE:** Did you buy that assignment? What was that?
 - x. I know, I know it is wrong, but I can't keep up with it all. If people are overworked in the real world, they hire secretaries and co-workers, why can't I do that here?
 - y. There is no way I could do it on my own.
 - z. I just - I can't. It's too much.
 - aa. ... (head down, crying emotion)
 - bb. I just can't do it. I'm a failure. I'm not going to make it into law school. I'm buying assignments. I'm not sleeping - I just can't do it.
 - cc. **Choice:** You should drop something You have too much going on.
 - dd. You're right, but what to drop? All these classes are required to get ahead. Prefect looks good for my resume. Helping professors helps with networking.
 - ee. ... but I can't keep doing this. I'm so close to finishing my 6th year. If I have to do this a whole other year, I won't make it.
 - ff. *sigh*... Fine.
 - gg. I'll figure something out.
 - hh. (buzzing - phone or pager or wand)
 - ii. That's fine. I didn't want to do my homework anyway.
 - jj. Could we keep this between us for now?
 - kk. (he gets up to leave)
 - ll. You feel like you know Sullivan a little better.
 - mm. (Level up)
 - nn. You should go back to your dorm
 - oo. (end scene)
4. He talked with the headmaster, he is dropping 3 classes and won't be head boy next year. He got 3 letters declining him from law school because his tests were low. He is trying, but it just isn't working.
- a. Hi [MC], today is a good day isn't it? Want to talk?
 - b. ...
 - c. **Library (smaller stack)**
 - d. I took your advice, I went to the Headmaster after our conversation and was able to drop 3 of my classes. I was able to get half credit for the drop, but it took a ton off of my plate.
 - e. I also talked to them about removing my Head Boy status next year so I could just be a prefect instead which is a lot less of a headache.

- f. I'm able to breathe easier and I'm actually sleeping through the night.
 - g. (buzzing - phone or pager or wand)
 - h. Oh yeah, there is that.
 - i. That is another one.
 - j. That is the third law school to reject me this week based on my test scores.
 - k. Hey, MC, could I ask you a question - do you know what you want to be when you graduate?
 - l. **Choice:** I have an idea I have no idea.
 - i. I envy you.
 - ii. I don't think a lot of people know.
 - m. Do you find it ridiculous that we as 11-17 year olds need to define what career we are to pick for the rest of our lives? Heck, my life we predetermined before I was even in school.
 - n. How are arranged marriages frowned upon, but pushing kids to pick their career isn't? You don't spend 60-80 hours a week with your spouse, but you do at your work.
 - o. **Choice:** Why not quit pursuing law? I'm sure your parents would understand.
 - i. That's all I've known.
 - ii. You don't know my parents.
 - p. Then again - law isn't for everyone. I know the old phrase is to say "nothing worth doing is easy", but if there are other things you do and like to do more - shouldn't you do those?
 - q. **Choice:** What would you do instead? What are you thinking?
 - r. Honestly, I have no idea. I've been so blinded by going to law school that I never thought of anything else. I'll do some thinking on it.
 - s. (buzzing - phone or pager or wand)
 - t. **Choice:** Do you need to get that? Is that for you?
 - u. No, someone else will take care of it. Now, let's focus. We've got finals around the corner.
 - v. You feel like you know Sullivan a little better.
 - w. (Level up)
 - x. You should go back to your dorm
 - y. (end scene)
5. Maybe he doesn't have to go to law school, or at least not right away - too much stress? Just not cut out for it?. Take some time off, see what he wants to do. He will chat with his parents over vacation to see what they want to do.
- a. Hi MC, do you have time to talk?
 - b. ...
 - c. **Library - just one open book**
 - d. I have to thank you - If it wasn't for you, I would still be swamped.
 - e. **Choice:** That what friends do. You were working yourself to death.
 - f. True, but if you hadn't stepped in, I would still be working myself that way.
 - g. I had a fireside talk with my parents last night in the communal fire pit and told them what all I was going through.

- h. It went better than I thought. They apologized for the amount of pressure they were putting on me and they promised they would back off.
- i. They offered me to come in and work as an intern in their firm, but I think I'm going to pass.
- j. I plan on staying with my grandparents out west. I think the change of scenery will do good for me and it will give me time to think.
- k. I'm not going to write off law school, but I at least want to entertain other options.
- l. Who knows, when I come back, I may want to be a professional footballistics player, or a professor, or ... Oh, I'm sorry, I got side tracked.
- m. We don't have too much longer then we have exams. Then it is sweet summer vacation freedom.
- n. Thanks again for showing me that I don't need to work myself to the bone to have value to the people around me. If I focus on a couple items, I can do them better than trying to do everything for everyone.
- o. By doing everything for everyone, I'm not thinking of myself.
- p. It is so nice having a friend like you.
- q. (Level up)
- r. You feel like you have a deep friendship with Sullivan.
- s. Anyway, we should wrap up here and get some sleep before exams start.
- t. (end scene)