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## Give me yr knife. Sit in my lap.

She sits in a chair. He hands her his knife and sits on the floor in front of her with his back toward her stomach. She gently pets his head. Then, with a quick firm motion, she slits his throat like Butcher taught her.

> He dies. She holds him in her lap. The sound of dogs barking and Hunters voices are now deafening.

Theyre right outside her door. They force their way in. They stand around looking at Hester and Monster. The dogs bay outside.

First Hunter Its him!

Second Hunter But hes dead!

Third Hunter Too bad!

First Hunter Plenty of fun still to be had, though!

Third Hunter Hes still warm. (*Rest*) Hes ours by rights, gal. Give him up.

First Hunter

If you think yll get any of the reward money, you got another thing coming.

 $0.0^{\prime}$ Hunters XIT  $\rightarrow$  [SND 270] (H) Im candle  $\rightarrow$  [candle on] + [LX 215] Hester Hester Hester Hester Hester

The Hunters leave dragging Monsters body. Hester sits there alone. She gets up, drops the knife in the wash bucket.

She lights another candle. She sits down.

FLIPIII

Top of Music -

Hester

I dig my ditch with no complaining Work in the hot sun, or even when its raining And when the bitter day finally comes to an end Theyll say-

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\_\_\_\_\_ (SND 285]

After a moment, the backdoor bell rings insistently. She ignores it. It rings again, more insistently. She gets up and puts on her apron, then wearily sits back down. After a moment the bell rings again.

> SND 290

→ [LX217]

LX 219 + SND280

She sits there unable to continue

Hester

(H) OO@ scar\_

Hester

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She gets up, picks up her tools and goes back to work.

OFF >[LX 22] [Candles OUT] + [SND 295] + TIMER End of Play 2 BEATS STANDBY FADER (5-0' ACTURS ->[LX 223] > FADER 2 1 ACTORS GESTURE > BAND ACTORS XIT. - [LX 225] + SND 300]

Hester sings "Working Womans Song (Reprise)":