

Harlem Pace (24, F, Black)

Harlem Pace, a thoughtful and empathetic 24-year-old Black female, is Harlem's sister. Providing emotional support and a balanced perspective on Josiah's ordeal, she assists Harlem in navigating the complexities of the situation.

Character Traits: Thoughtful, Empathetic, Supportive, Balanced

Detective Turner (33, M, White - any Race)

Officer Turner, a 33-year-old male police detective, maintains a no-nonsense attitude. Assisting Harlem and Dr. Floyd in their investigation, he faces mounting frustration as obstacles impede his quest to unearth the truth surrounding Josiah's situation.

Character Traits: No-nonsense, Frustrated, Determined, Investigative

EXT. HOSPITAL ROOM - DAY

Harlem confronts Detective Turner outside of Josiah's hospital room.

DETECTIVE TURNER

Is he aware of the sexual abuse?

HARLEM

The doctor believe that he blocked it out

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DETECTIVE TURNER

Is he aware he's been missing for over a week?

HARLEM

Not fully.

DETECTIVE TURNER

What about?

HARLEM

He doesn't remember.

DETECTIVE TURNER

The rape kit confirmed that -

HARLEM

(closing her eyes)

- Stop. Stop. I know.

DETECTIVE TURNER

I need more details.

HARLEM

(firm)

No.

DETECTIVE TURNER
You're impeding our investigation.

HARLEM
His mental health matters more.

DETECTIVE TURNER
(frustrated)
You know I'm here to help you.

HARLEM
At what cost?

DETECTIVE TURNER
He's a victim. This wasn't his doing.

HARLEM
I know that.

DETECTIVE TURNER
Do you know who did this?

HARLEM
(startled)
Of course not.

DETECTIVE TURNER
Are you sure?

HARLEM
(gathering herself)
Is there anything else?

DETECTIVE TURNER
I really need to speak to Josiah.

HARLEM
When he's ready.

DETECTIVE TURNER
Well, hopefully soon.

Harlem nods as Detective Turner retreats and leaves.