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Scene 3 Worksheet

Ageing, Power and Transformation

Initial Reactions

What moment in this scene felt most significant or powerful?

Ageing and Identity

Compare Ruth and Bill.

- How does each character respond to ageing?
- What different models of later life are presented?
- How do their attitudes shape their behaviour?

Power and Agency

How does power shift during the scene?

- Who appears to hold power at the beginning?
- What changes?
- What enables Ruth to assert herself?

Narratives of Ageing

Consider the broader cultural stories about ageing.

- Which stereotypes does the scene reinforce?
- Which stereotypes does it challenge?
- Does the play offer an alternative narrative of later life?

Theatre and Performance

How do theatrical choices contribute to the conflict?

Consider:

- positioning of the three characters
 - movement and use of space
 - tone and vocal delivery
 - moments of confrontation or stillness
 - visual contrasts between characters
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Discussion Prompt

Does the scene present ageing as decline, resilience, transformation, liberation, or something more complex?