**‘A Time To Dance’ quotes and their significance**

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| **Quote** | **Techniques** | **Effects / Significance** |
| “Nelson, with a patch over one eye, stood looking idly into Mothercare’s window. The sun was bright behind him and made a mirror out of the glass.” Page 114 |  |  |
| “Squint my arse -, you’ll just go blind – stark, staring blind.” Page 115 |  |  |
| “His mother had called him Nelson because she said she thought his father had been a seafaring man. The day the boy was born she had read an article in the Reader’s Digest about Nelson Rockefeller, one of the richest men in the world.” P115 |  |  |
| “Don’t you ever try a trick like that again, Nelson if I wanted someone to kidnap you, I would pay *him* the money.” P118 |  |  |
| “They all had pints which they didn’t seem to be drinking. They were watching something Nelson couldn’t see… ” P121 |  |  |
| “The men now just stood looking as if they were seeing a ghost.” P121 |  |  |
| “Nelson felt the best outdoor pursuit of the lot was what he was doing now. Skiving.” P116 |  |  |
| “Her tore off his eye patch thinking that if he was going to become blind the sooner it happened the better.” P126 |  |  |
| “’What the hell is this’ he said. ‘you’re late, and what the hell is that?’” P118 |  |  |
| “’What year is he?’‘What year are you son?’His mother turned to him” P122 |  |  |
| “Nelson looked out the window looked out the window at the tiny H of the goalposts in the distance.” P126 |  |  |
| “’Have you no friends in school?’ asked the house master” P124 |  |  |
| “A time to laugh. A time to mourn. A time to grieve. And a time to dance” P126 |  |  |
| “Nelson could see that he too was looking at her, his eyes wide and his face smiley.” P123 |  |  |
| “Nelson hated gym more than anything. It was crap. He loathed the changing rooms, the getting stripped in front of others, the stupidity when he missed the ball.” P123 |  |  |
| “For starting St John the Baptists she had bought him a brand new adidas bag for his books.” P120 |  |  |
| “’This is one of the most beautiful passages in the whole of the bible’ she said” P126 |  |  |
| “Then he heard her rustle in her bag the soft pop and rattle as she opened her capsules. Her tantalizers she called them, small black and red torpedo’s” P119 |  |  |
| “She says ‘my family come from just outside Derry. And you?’‘oh that’s funny. I’m just across the border from you Donegal’” P123 |  |  |
| “Some six year boys wolf whistled after her and other stopped to stare.” P122 |  |  |