An Inspector Calls- JB Priestley 10 Key Quotes

'This young woman, Eva Smith was a bit out of the ordinary'
Inspector Goole

'If we were all responsible for everything that happened to everybody we'd had anything to do with, it would be very awkward, wouldn't it?'

Mr Birling refuses to take any responsibility.

'The Germans don't want war...everything to lose and nothing to gain by war'

Mr Birling shows how little he knows

'Between us, we drove that girl to suicide

Sheila realises they are all responsible

A man has to mind his own business and look after his own'

Mr Birling shows his capitalist views

"I rather respect you more than I've ever done before"

Sheila says this to Gerald

'The point is, you don't seem to have learnt anything'

Sheila says this to her parents

'We are members of one body, we are responsible for each other'

Inspector Goole says this to the family

'but these girls aren't cheap labour- they're people'

Sheila says this

'It's my duty to ask questions'

**Inspector Goole** 

'But just remember this. One Eva Smith has gone – but there are millions and millions of Eva Smiths and John Smiths still left with us, with their lives, their hopes and fears, their suffering and chance of happiness, all intertwined with our lives, with what we think and say and do. We don't live alone. We are members of one body. We are responsible for each other. And I tell you that the time will soon come when, if men will not learn that lesson, then they will be taught it in fire and blood and anguish.

Good nightInspector Goole (his final speech before he leaves)