

TAXI DRIVER

23 INT. TAXI - LATER

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DERE shuts the door, and the TAXI DRIVER turns back to her briefly.

TAXI DRIVER

Madam, which side in Lekki are you going?

DERE

(thoughtful)

Y'know what? Let me surprise my father in the office. It's off Broad street...

TAXI DRIVER

No problem.

He engages the car and drives off.

CUT TO:

24 INT. TAXI - ENROUTE - LATER

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We get a sense of what someone travelling into the country will see as they travel from the mainland to the Island.

CUT TO:

INT. TAXI - ENROUTE - DAY

DERE stares out the window at the unfolding drama around her as the car zips by. She shakes her head.

DERE

The more things change, the more they stay the same...

TAXI DRIVER

Madam?

DERE

I said -  
(stops)  
Don't worry about it.

TAXI DRIVER

(smiling)  
Change, abi? Ah, yes o!  
(MORE)

TAXI DRIVER (CONT'D)

It is time to prove to our children  
that they'll inherit a country  
better than they met it.

DERE

(smiling)

But, oga, what if your children  
asked you what you were looking at  
before everything got so bad?

TAXI DRIVER

(thoughtfully)

Hmm. They will be right. We were  
afraid. And some of us were greedy.  
No matter how you throw a cat on  
the ground, it always lands on its  
feet.

DERE

So what's different now?

TAXI DRIVER

We are tired, madam. Everyone's  
tired. We cannot continue like  
this...

TAXI DRIVER drones on, completely oblivious to the fact that  
the politely smiling DERE can barely hear him.