

# CHAPTER THIRTY-SEVEN

The chapter follows Tris and her companions—Caleb, Marcus, and her father—as they flee the Abnegation sector to avoid Erudite forces. They plan to board a slow-moving train to navigate the city, with Tris leading the group due to her Dauntless training. The tension is palpable as they prepare to jump onto the moving train, each member struggling with the physical challenge. Tris reflects on her growth, acknowledging how her experiences have reshaped her understanding of bravery and selflessness, themes central to her identity.

As the train approaches the Dauntless compound, Tris strategizes their entry, opting for the less guarded back entrance that requires a dangerous leap. The group's dynamics are highlighted through brief exchanges, particularly Marcus's skepticism about Tris's choice of faction. Tris's father, however, seems to understand her journey, subtly supporting her. The train ride offers a moment of quiet reflection as they pass the Erudite compound, a stark contrast to the chaos they're fleeing.

The group faces their most daunting challenge yet: jumping from the train onto a rooftop seven stories up. Tris coordinates their leaps, ensuring the older members go first to minimize the distance. Despite the peril, they all make it, though Marcus barely survives. Tris's internal conflict surfaces as she briefly wishes for his failure, revealing her unresolved anger. The physical and emotional stakes escalate as they prepare for the next hurdle—a leap into the Dauntless compound.

The chapter culminates with Tris demonstrating her leadership and courage by jumping first into the net below, despite the pain it causes her injured shoulder. She guides Caleb through the process, emphasizing the need to act without overthinking. The group's survival hinges on their ability to trust her and confront their fears. The chapter ends on a cliffhanger, leaving their fate uncertain as they prepare to face the dangers within the Dauntless compound.