

TILLY GREEN (age 13)

(subtle Southern accent -- no exaggerated twang, please)



Tilly Green is a **slow, simple, honest girl**. She's no brainiac, and is content with simple pleasures such as braiding blades of grass or squeezing out an entire tube of toothpaste. She is infatuated with pictures of 1920's mustachioed strong men.

Tilly may seem **unperceptive** most of the time, but can surprise everyone with a shockingly perceptive and simple truth. Tilly has no filter in her brain, therefore whatever raw thought she's having comes tumbling out of her mouth.

Things always seem to work out for Tilly. She's won a lot of contests and awards by sheer coincidence or plain dumb **luck**. People think she's a savant, which explains away any strange behavior. Her father thinks she can do no wrong.

Tilly is easily manipulated by her brother, Cricket, and often joins in on his adventures. Tilly cannot keep up with Cricket's lies. She doesn't fully grasp the concept of *not* speaking the truth, which often blows Cricket's cover. She is **incapable of telling a lie**. Tilly's simple and honest approach to life helps Cricket see through the web of confusing lies he may have created.

TILLY GREEN SIDES

1. TILLY

CLUELESS/MATTER OF FACT: (flat and kind of slow) ...What are you gonna do, Cricket? You said you need to do something big. So... what are you gonna do?

2. TILLY

INQUISITIVE: After the chicken goes into space, can I get a turn? (she's denied a turn and says to herself:) I'll still take a turn.

3. TILLY

SAD: (sitting alone with a birthday hat on and no guests around) I don't get it. I got streamers, made my own cake, and even told people that they didn't need to bring gifts, "just bring a smile!"...But they didn't even do that.

4. TILLY

EXCITED: Hotdog! I'm so excited! I can tell because my knees are sweaty.

5. TILLY

ANGRY: How dare you. You think blowin' dandelion fuzzies is "fun"? This is nature's bread and butter. We're doing important work here!

6. TILLY

PANICKED: Has anyone here seen a large, very big bag of frogs? (beat) I need answers people!

7. TILLY

STERN/DEFENSIVE: No one talks about my brother like that. So what if he's short and doesn't have armpit hair and has funny teeth and talks during my tv programs-- it don't matter. I like him like that.

8. TILLY

SCARED: Dad? Cricket? Grandma Alice? Did everyone forget about me? (realizing) I'm home alone... Just like in that movie, "Home Alone Two".