



# Hay Fever by Noel Coward

## Character Information

Time Mid 1920's

High energy farce.

3 Acts, Interval after Act 2 – Running time approx 2hrs

**There are five female and four male characters.**

**The ages of all characters are indicative – it's what you project and the image you create that is important, rather than your actual age.**

Character Name	Gender / Age	Description
JUDITH BLISS	F: 50-60	Judith is a retired English actress. She misses her younger years, and is looking for someone to tell her she's still beautiful and desirable. Matriarch of the Bliss family.
DAVID BLISS	M: 50-60	David is a novelist who is looking for his next muse. He, like Judith (his wife), seems to be in a bit of a mid-life crisis. Self absorbed.
SIMON BLISS	M: Early to late 20's	Simon is Judith and David Bliss's son. He loves to rib his sister. Artist.
SOREL BLISS	F: Early to late 20's	Sorel is Judith and David Bliss's daughter. Sorel and her brother come from money, but they are siblings as we know them: fighting one minute, best buddies the next. Spirited.
CLARA	F: 40 +	Clara is the Bliss family housekeeper. She's a bit rough around the edges.
SANDY TYRELL	M: 25-35	Sandy is the young man Judith invites for the weekend. He's a stud, and he's enamoured with Judith. Needs to look like he could be a boxer.
MYRA ARUNDEL	F: 30-40	Myrna is Simon's weekend guest. She doesn't really want to spend time with Simon, but wants to meet David. Fashionable sophisticate. She is the only guest that has the measure of the family and gives as good as she gets.
RICHARD GREATHAM	M: 35-55	Richard is a very proper English diplomat, and Sorel's weekend guest. He's a bit stiff, but likeable.
JACKIE CORYTON	F: 20-40	David's weekend guest. She's kind of a good-hearted ditz – quite shy. Out of her depth with this family.