

ABOUT CASTING AND GENDER:

Please note that the play sends up gender 'norms,' and all characters can be played by actors of any gender, ethnicity, age or type.

CHARACTERS

DRACULA: (Transylvanian dialect) Hugely sexy, magnetically handsome, rock star presence with a killer body, he is a narcissist whose greatest love is himself - and his leather pants. Bored with women falling all over him, he becomes obsessed with Lucy when he hears of her strength and adventurousness. The less she needs him, the more interested he is. He travels to Whitby to find her and make her his bride for eternity.

JONATHAN HAKER: (RP British dialect), prim and proper and obsessive compulsive real estate agent, frightened of his own shadow. Engaged to his childhood crush Lucy Westfeldt and enamored of her fearlessness. Once bitten he loosens up...a lot...and becomes a Tom Jones style rock star in leather pants.

LUCY WESTFELDT: (RP dialect) Brilliant plucky earth scientist daughter of Dr. Westfeldt, she is full of energy and the spirit of adventure and often underestimated because of her beauty. Engaged to Jonathan, but when Dracula moves to Whitby, she is curious about his strange ways and impressed by their similar interests.

MINA WESTFELDT: (RP dialect), the less attractive, less intelligent Westfeldt daughter, she lives in her sister Lucy's shadow and is desperate for attention. She is immediately (pathetically) receptive to Dracula's charms.

DR. WESTFELDT: (RP British dialect), Lucy and Mina's Father, a blowhard; self-important misogynist given to proclamations. A doctor caring for the criminally insane, he has recently lost his wife to consumption.

DR. VAN HELSING: (German dialect a la Mel Brooks): Brilliant and sturdy German vampire hunting doctor from the University of Shmutz. Deadly serious in the way Germans can be, she is accustomed to people not believing she is a real doctor. Strong, shmart, unt bold, she is a woman of action.

RENFIELD: (cockney dialect and salivary issues): insane patient of Dr. Westfeldt who lives to serve and loves to eat bugs. In a word, the dude is nuts.

KITTY: (cockney dialect): A dotty kleptomaniac patient of Dr. Westfeldt's, she serves as a maid in his house.

Think Mrs. Lovett but servile and easily distracted.

LORD CAVENDISH: (Scottish dialect) Lucy's suitor; a Scottish dolt.

LORD WINDSOR: (RP British dialect) Lucy's suitor; posh, British and petulant.

LORD HAVEMERCY: (Elvis dialect) Lucy's arrogant suitor from Memphis, a la Elvis.

DRIVER: (Eastern European or Russian dialect) The male, Transylvanian driver of the carriage carrying Jonathan to Dracula's castle and tries to warn him. Borat meets Boris and Natasha.

CAPTAIN: (sea captain dialect) The salty captain of a doomed ship caught in a raging storm.

BOSUN: (Irish dialect) A scurvy seaman who goes down with the ship in a storm.

GRAVEDIGGER: (cockney dialect) A drunk gravedigger with a secret.