

ARE YOU BEING SERVED? CHARACTER INFORMATION SHEET

Director: John Hincks Assistant Director: Lance Thompson Stage Manager: Angela Quee

The numbers in brackets indicate the number of lines in Act 1 and Act 2

MRS SLOCOMBE (104,87)

Head of the Ladies Department. Still believes she has the remains of sexual attraction. Speaks with a somewhat false posh voice which slips into a trace of a northern accent when she is annoyed, as happens frequently. Also known for her colourful wigs and references to her cat which she describes as her pussy.

CAPTAIN PEACOCK (79,88)

Floor walker, showing customers to the correct counter. A false military title but he behaves as if it is authentic. Would like to more than friendly with Miss Brahms.

MR HUMPHRIES (59,85)

An effeminate mincing menswear assistant. Strongly suspected of being gay based on behaviour and innuendo. Friendly and sociable – his lines contain many double entendres which need perfect timing.

MISS BRAHMS (67,37)

Young, attractive assistant to Mrs Slocombe. Must be played with a cockney accent. Her working-class phrasing is a counterpoint to Mrs. Slocombe's way of speaking.

MR RUMBOLD (53,49)

Manager of the menswear and ladieswear departments. Not as much in control as he thinks he is.

MR LUCAS (63,30)

Young menswear assistant. Tries to be suave and attractive to the other sex. Makes questionable remarks especially to Mrs Slocombe. Would like to be in a relationship with Miss Brahms.

MASH (25,0)

Storeman, maintenance worker at the store. Crude with some regional accent (cockney in the tv series but could be other). Offends the ladies and undermines the floor executives. Normally does exactly as he wants to do.

MR GRAINGER (23,14)

Head of the menswear department. Been at Grace Brothers for over 40 years. Now afflicted with a gastro-intestinal weakness.

BERNARDO (0,78)

Owner of the nearly finished Palace Hotel. Welcomes British tourists and Spanish revolutionaries alike.

CESAR (0,52)

Revolutionary leader. Wants to relax with a woman before the revolution begins and it does not matter which woman. Strong physical presence.

CONCHITA (0,32)

Young sexy hotel worker. Feels safer with Mr Humphries than with Cesar or Bernardo.

MINOR CHARACTERS

- Lady Customer (20,0) mature rather than young.
- Male Customer (15,0) in store to be measured for trousers.
- Teresa (0,4) revolutionary soldier
- Mr Grace (0,3) owner of Grace Brothers, always accompanied by a young blonde nurse.
- Nurse (1,0) of indeterminate age but could be Mr Grace's nurse as well, in which case she has to be young and blonde.