

“ALL STAR LIGHTS OUT” CHARACTER PROFILES

MAIN CHARACTERS

DAVE

Dave is an introvert, a talented guy in graphic design who however gets easily disappointed and awaits for the big break while working at a small advertisement company in his hometown. He's slim but not very athletic, a bit above average in height and in his mid 20s. Dave knows Annabelle for more than 10 years as their parents were once neighbours and friends. He has never left his town but to study for just 4 years. He needed to be back at some point as his mother suffered from psychological problems resulting mainly from the death of Dave's younger sister Christina around her late teen years. A death caused by a car accident. Dave was driving the car, it wasn't his fault but his father never forgave him for that hence the cold relations. Dave cannot bear that his father openly accused him for his beloved sister's death. Dave has been in love with Annabelle almost since the beginning of their acquaintance but has never confessed it. He has never been sure of her feelings to him so he has decided to keep her as one of his best friends. Dave had a couple of short “proper” relations in his life so far but mainly falling in and out of love with several girls, all under the “shadow” of Annabelle. Dave is into films, music, drawing of course and motorbikes. He briefly competed professionally when he was very young. Annabelle has been for Dave his only true inspiration and desire, a dream he always felt he wasn't allowed to have.

ANNABELLE (ANNIE)

Annabelle, a couple of years younger than Dave is an extrovert person. A very beautiful girl with magnificent and expressive eyes, slim with an average height and medium-long dark hair. Annabelle is an all-around talented girl, she draws rather nicely, however, she's also spoiled and although she studied at a good university she opted coming back to her hometown, even for a while and work for her dad's AI company, maybe the largest company in town and she's from a wealthy background, the only child as well. She's the kind of talented person that can do many things nicely but has never excelled dramatically being a bit “lost” between talent and a comfortable life. Apparently she has shown elements of great management skills, besides she's very good with people (one would think she's the kind of girl always flirting around but otherwise closed to “aggressive” men) and she is overall rather quite intelligent. Annabelle has always had feelings for Dave but has never had a long relationship. Dave claims she “suffers” from philophobia-when people do not fall in love and have problems trusting very much or opening up to others. Maybe she wasn't always like that but because of the attention she gets due to her beauty Annabelle has had a rather peculiar relation with men, her longest

relationship being a couple of years. Dave aware of that thought this as one more reason not to try with her, preferring to be on her side as a friend all the time.

JEFF

Jeff has been one of Dave's best friends, one of his few friends who came to the town at some point during junior high. They started mingling with Dave through common friends and although at some point Jeff had expressed his feelings for Dave, Dave didn't find it difficult to set things straight so he kept him as a friend. Jeff is slightly older-in his late 20s and he's working with Dave (in fact he helped him get the job) not as an artist but as the head of PR at the company. Jeff is a very outgoing person, very popular with men and women, always smartly dressed preferring the fine things in life. He's not as wealthy as you'd think, however he is wealthy mostly through his father's real estate dealings. Jeff knows about Annabelle and has been Dave's "personal psychologist" for many years!

SECONDARY CHARACTERS

DAVE'S PARENTS

a) Mother

Dave's mother is a housewife. Heavily struck by the death of Christina, she has been a "shadow" ever since, frustrated and hurt but she managing to keep it down most of the time. She has lost "touch" with her husband and she hates him for openly blaming Dave for the tragic accident. She loves her son and she has an idea about his affection for Annabelle. She's not a very educated or refined woman but she is, or used to be social and aware of things, loved by the neighbourhood

b) Father

Dave's father is a stiff, conservative man. Rather tall, scary at times (certainly when he was getting angry when Dave was small) and used to have a drinking problem. He's not extremely social, becomes "normal" only among his peers and that's rare. He works for years at an insurance company, now senior position but ready to retire. He did love gambling but has stopped now, ironically after Christina's death.

JING

Jing is around Annabelle's age, part of the company (the "crazy" guy) very easy and outgoing person, Asian American from the same town. He's into skateboarding, having tried it professionally as well but he's more up for fun than anything else. He went to the same school with Annabelle and Dave.