

'The Affair' live on Daytime TV.

Imagine Gerald reveals his affair on daytime TV. In groups prepare a Dramatisation on his confession, ensuring you include, Gerald, Sheila, the Inspector, Mrs Birling, Mr Birling – and if you want Daisy. Remember to include the dramatic moment when Sheila hand back Gerald's ring. The Inspector could take on a 'Daytime TV host' role, but must stay true to his character in setting the moral tone, and prompting the other characters to speak.

In this activity you will need to show that:

1. You have thought about the plot
2. You have used the play to get ideas about what to say and what your character thinks.
3. You can listen to others and present your point of view clearly.

If in a group each student can play a different character. While the TV Show is on you will have to listen carefully to what is happening and answer questions as your character would.

If working independently then you can work through each character to challenge Gerald on his actions through text/quotes from the novel. When doing this you will find that you may contradict your argument from character to character.

Below are some quotations that might be useful when preparing your daytime TV show.

Inspector.	'At the end of January, last year, this girl Eva Smith had to leave Milwards, because Miss Birling compelled them to discharge her, and then she stopped being Eva Smith, looking for a job, and became Daisy Renton, with other ideas (<i>sharply turning on him</i>). Mr Croft, when did you first get to know her?
Gerald	'The girl saw me looking at her and then gave me a glance that was nothing less than a cry for help'. 'All she wanted was to talk'. 'I became at once the most important person in her life'. 'I didn't feel about her as she did about me'.
Sheila	'You were the wonderful fairy Prince. You must have adored it Gerald'. 'I rather respect you more than I've ever done before'. 'now at least you've been honest-' 'We'd have to start all over again, getting to know each other-'
Mrs Birling	'I must say, we are learning something...' 'It's disgusting to me-' 'I think we've just about come to an end of this wretched business-'
Mr Birling	'I protest against the way in which my daughter, a young unmarried girl, is being dragged into this-' 'Sheila, I'm not defending him. But you must understand that a lot of young men'

Notes:

Make sure you:

- Make a significant contribution
- Engage with the ideas of others – build on and challenge where possible.
- Promote a point of view – be persuasive
- Speak fluently & purposefully
- Always listen closely