



An Inspector Calls – Social Responsibility

Your Verdict

The play has the quality of a courtroom scene, with the Birlings being cross-examined and judged by Inspector Goole.

1. Imagine you are on the jury. With a partner, discuss the evidence against Gerald Croft and each of the Birlings.
 - Who do you judge to be most or least guilty?
 - Can you agree on a rank order of guilt? Or are they all equally at fault?

Character	Evidence against	Level of guilt
Gerald Croft		
Mr Birling		
Mrs Birling		
Sheila		
Eric		

2. After your discussion, write a paragraph about each of the Birlings and Gerald, giving your judgment on their character and behaviour. Include the following details:
 - give reasons for your verdict in each case
 - include at least one quotation from each character
 - suggest an experience that might improve each character

