CHARACTERS: *A Bargain for Frances*

Create a "Cast List" of the story by giving each of the characters below a single sentence that describes his or her *personality*.

1. *Frances*

Frances is a gullible young badger who does not suspect that others may be manipulating her.

2. *Thelma*

Best friend to Frances, Thelma is subtle, scheming, and selfish, adept at manipulation and driven by the desire for a china tea set.

3. *Mother*

Mother is calm and supportive, gently reminding Frances of good historical reasons to be wary of Thelma's ways.

4. *Gloria*

Little sister Gloria states the truth directly and with no pretense, helping Frances to see clearly how she has been manipulated.