## **Scripted Characters**

**Cast:** (all characters can be played by anyone.)

Title: The Title of the Script – Bold and Important.

Set: The Setting – Very aware of their surroundings.

Lead Role: Self-important.

Love interest: Affectionate.

Supporting Role: Disgruntled.

Bit Part: Doesn't say much.

Stage Directions: Knows their way round the stage.

Beat: Beat.

Music: Stirring.

Sound Effects: Sudden.

Props: Hangs around.

The End: Ends the play.

Lead Role: Listen everyone, it's my show and it will be a lot easier if everyone just follows my lead!

Love Interest: Yeah, you tell them how it is!

Lead Role: Thanks darling.

Love Interest: You're welcome, my hero!

**Supporting Role:** Urgh, you two make me sick.

**Lead Role:** How come? You're supposed to be supporting us.

**Supporting Role:** Well I would if you weren't so far up your own ar/

Title: STOP IT NOW!

Lead Role: Who asked your advice?

Title: STOP IT NOW!

Love Interest: We heard you the first time.

Title: No! That's the title of the play: STOP IT NOW!

Lead Role: OK, thanks buddy, your work here is done, zipit!

Title: STOP IT NOW!

**Supporting Role:** Haha, love it!

**Title:** I have to go now anyway, I have other plays to start, bigger, better plays!

Love Interest: Good for you!

Title: I'm headlining at the Edinburgh Fringe next week. I have an amazing title to announce. Bye!

**Lead Role:** As I was saying, clearly this play is all about me, so listen in everyone!

Supporting Role: Here we go again!

**Love Interest:** Kindly let Lead Role speak.

Supporting Role: Well I can hardly stop them!

**Lead Role:** No one and I mean no one sits down until I have, understood?

Love Interest: Oh, I love it when you're forceful!

**Set:** Where are you going to sit?

Lead Role: At the head of the table, obviously.

**Set:** What if I don't let you?

Lead Role: What do you mean?

**Set:** You need a table and a chair. I haven't got either in my set.

Lead Role: Set to it then!

Set: Nope.

**Lead Role:** Do as I say, this is my play!

**Supporting Role:** I think you'll find it's the *authors* play!

**Love Interest:** Who's Arthur?

**Lead Role:** Was! Was the authors play, now it's mine, all mine!

**Supporting Role:** Idiot!

Lead Role: Stop with the insults and do your job in supporting me, that's what you're here for!

Supporting Role: No.

**Love Interest:** Just do as Lead Role says, no one knows better.

**Supporting Role:** I'm not sucking up to Lead Role, no way!

**Love Interest:** Why ever not?

Supporting Role: Can't you see? That should be me! I should be Lead Role, what credit will I ever get

being Supporting Role?

**Love Interest:** Oh, well, you're still important.

Supporting Role: Hardly! If only I was Lead Role, I'd have a Love Interest like you. I'm lonely. No one

supports me.

Love Interest: Oh bless.

Lead Role: Love Interest, stop flirting with Supporting Role, it's embarrassing!

Supporting Role: I repeat, Idiot!

Lead Role: I'm going to sit at the table first, then Love Interest sits, only then can Supporting Role sit.

Set: Ha, good luck with that!

**Stage Direction:** How are you going to do that?

Lead Role: Pardon me? You're not allowed to talk. Just go and slant in your brackets!

Stage Direction: You can't go anywhere unless I say so.

**Supporting Role:** Stage Direction has a point.

**Lead Role:** Typical! I need a drink. Love Interest, get me a whiskey.

**Props:** How is Love Interest supposed to do that? There are no glasses or whiskey on the props list.

Lead Role: Well add them then!

**Props:** Only if the director asks me to.

Beat: Beat.

Love Interest: Why does Beat do that?

**Supporting Role:** Rather than a pause, Beat changes the emotion, or the direction.

Love Interest: Oh. Does Beat work?

**Lead Role:** Yes it does, darling.

**Love Interest:** Ooh you charmer!

**Lead Role:** Come here, give me a kiss.

**Stage Direction:** Love Interest can't unless I instruct it.

**Lead Role:** Well get in your brackets and get slanting!

**Stage Direction:** Very well, you can have that one.

**Lead Role:** Thanks, come here and kiss me Love Interest.

**Music:** This will be boring.

**Lead Role:** Who asked you?

Music: I'm just saying the big romantic kiss will be rather dull without music.

Lead Role: Then play some music, Music!

Music: How about a funeral march?

Supporting Role: Haha, yes!

Lead Role: Something a little less morbid.

Music: The Cancan?

**Lead Role:** Whatever. I'm going to kiss Love Interest anyway.

Sound Effects: Eeet Eeet Eeet......

Love Interest: What was that?

**Supporting Role:** The knife sound effect from Psycho I think.

**Lead Role:** How annoying. I'm going to kiss you Love Interest.

Sound Effect: Bang!

Lead Role: What now?

**Stage Direction:** You've been shot.

Lead Role: You can't! There's no gun in Props.

**Props:** There is now.

Stage Direction: You fall down dead on the rug.

**Lead Role:** What rug? There is no rug!

**Set:** There is now, down stage center!

**Lead Role:** That's not fair!

Love Interest: My darling, you're dead!

**Lead Role:** No, this can't happen!

**Stage Direction:** It just did, I instructed it, slants and brackets!

Lead Role: Git!

Supporting Role: Now Lead Role is dead, does that make me the Lead Role?

Stage Direction: I guess so!

(New) Lead Role: Cool!

**Love Interest:** You are so much better looking than the last Lead Role, Lead Role!

**Lead Role:** This feels amazing! I even have my own Love Interest!

**Bit Part:** Can I say something?

**Lead Role:** No.

Love Interest: Shall we go to bed Lead Role?

**Lead Role:** Set? Do we have a bed?

**Set:** You do now!

**Lead Role:** Stage Direction? Can I take Love Interest to bed?

Stage Direction: Of course, go ahead!

Music: Would you like something romantic playing?

**Lead Role:** Thanks Music, that would be great!

Beat: Beat.

**Love Interest:** You're my hero!

**Music:** Here's some Al Green.

**Sound Effect:** Creak, creak...

**Stage Direction:** What's that?

**Set:** A creaky old bed I found, sounds more effective.

**Stage Direction:** Have fun both of you!

The End: THE END!

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**The End:** I did just say that!