

Death of a Salesman Exam Review

Identify each of the characters and explain the role each played in the drama. Be sure to include the way the characters interact with the others and the issues they have with one another.

Willy Loman

Biff Loman

Linda Loman

Happy Loman

Charley

Bernard

Ben

The Woman

Howard Wagner

Miss Forsythe

Symbols and motifs: Examine each of following ideas/symbols and explain the significance of each in the play. It may also help to identify each of the characters and the dream and flaw each has. The page numbers direct you to specific sections of the book in which each is discussed.

Being well liked (pp. 86, 97, 138)

Dave Singleman and “the death of a salesman” (pp. 81, 126, 138)

Diamonds, the jungle, Alaska (pp. 49, 52, 80, 85, 126)

Bill Oliver’s pen (p. 132)

Linda’s stockings (pp. 38, 75, 107, 120-121) and Biff’s shoes (pp. 32, 74)

Loman house and Willie’s garden/seeds (pp. 17, 73-74, 122, 138-139)