Mickey Johnstone

Personality	Role
 Personality Friendly, excitable boy Likes to play adventure games with others and sneak off to pull pranks. Shy about his emotions Feels the need to impress Sammy Likes Edward's generosity and, in turn, enjoys being able to show him new things "I could've been him." 	Role He is the twin that stays with Mrs Johnstone, the working class twin. He meets Edward when he was 7 and both their parents want them to stay away from each other. He moves away as his family is being re-housed. He meets Edward again, gets suspended from school, gets a job. Marries Linda who is pregnant, gets fired by Mr Lyons. Bribed by Sammy, ends up in jail, gets addicted to antidepressants, Mrs Lyons tells him about Edward & Linda (who are having an affair) Gets Sammy's gun, misfires and
	shoots Sammy, the police shoot him.
Development	Other Information
 Becomes even more withdrawn after becoming unemployed. More interested in getting a job. Edward gives Mickey a chance to shine and be a leader and escape the oppression he feels from his brother, school and general poverty He feels like his friendship with Edward is fading because of their different social backgrounds, e.g. when he loses his job Edward can't understand because it's never happened to him 	 Looks up to his older brother Sammy and often feels like a cast-off in comparison to him. Not very well educated. Does not show interest in his schooling Suspended for ridiculing his teacher

Edward Lyons

Personality	Role
 Friendly, generous character. 	 He was the twin that was given
 Feels restricted 	to Mrs Lyons.
 Revels in Mickey's liveliness, bad 	 He was raised in a middle class
language and risky games.	school, met Mickey when he was
 Impulsive character and one who 	7, moved away to the country
doesn't think too deeply about	because of his mother's 'health.'
the consequences of his actions.	 Went to a posh boarding school,
 Lack compassion and does not 	got suspended for not taking the
sympathise with Mickey's	locket off, meets Linda and
unemployment worries.	Mickey again at 14.
	Goes to university, when he
	returns Mickey is miserable as he
	is unemployed, tries to cheer him
	up, instead Mickey gets annoyed at how he can never know how
	he's feeling.
	o When Mickey goes to jail, he
	helps Linda, they have an affair
	(or a 'light romance' according to
	Mrs Johnstone.)
	 He is a successful businessman,
	councillor Edward Lyons.
	 He is shot by Mickey
Development	Other Information
 Naively offers him sweets in an 	 When he moves away Mrs
attempt to impress him.	Johnstone gives him a locket
 Unselfishly tries to get Mickey to 	with a picture of Mickey, Mrs
express his love for Linda	Lyons later mistakes the picture
Tells Mickey to use his dole	of Mickey for Edward.
money to live like a 'Bohemian'.	Raised in a middle-class home
He arranges for Mickey to have a	and is educated at a private
job, but does so condescendingly	school.
by keeping it secret.	 Easily influenced by Mickey and Linda?
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