

CHARACTER BREAKDOWN:

- **Felix Ungar:** A fastidious, hypochondriac news writer whose marriage is ending. The play and the film both spell Felix's name *Ungar*
- **Oscar Madison:** A slovenly, recently divorced sportswriter and Felix's best friend.
- **Murray:** A [NYPD](#) policeman, one of Felix's and Oscar's poker buddies.
- **Speed:** One of the poker buddies. Gruff and sarcastic, often picking on Vinnie and Murray.
- **Vinnie:** One of the poker buddies. Vinnie is mild-mannered and henpecked, making him an easy target for Speed's verbal barbs.
- **Roy:** One of the poker buddies. Oscar's accountant. Roy has a dry wit but is less acerbic than Speed.
- **Cecily and Gwendolyn Pigeon:** Felix and Oscar's giggly upstairs neighbors, a pair of English sisters. Cecily is a [divorcée](#), and Gwendolyn a [widow](#).