

The Sun Also Rises Character

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Characters

Jake Barnes - The narrator and main character. An American journalist living in Paris. Wounded in World War I, which left him impotent. Loves Brett deeply but cannot be with her. Calm, thoughtful, and loyal to friends.

Lady Brett Ashley - The heroine. A beautiful Englishwoman. Independent, passionate, but restless. She loves Jake, but cannot give up physical love. Moves from one man to another. This causes jealousy and conflict.

Robert Cohn - An American writer and former college boxer. Did not fight in the war, so he feels out of place among the others. Awkward, insecure, and often mocked by friends. He loves Brett obsessively and causes trouble when rejected.

Bill Gorton - An American writer and Jake's close friend. Funny, carefree, and loyal. He drinks a lot but also shows wisdom. He brings humor and balance to the group.

Mike Campbell - Brett's fiancé. A Scottish war veteran. Often drunk, loud, and bitter. He knows about Brett's affairs but still clings to her.

Pedro Romero - A young Spanish bullfighter. Brave, graceful, and full of traditional masculinity. Brett has an affair with him during the fiesta. Represents strength, passion, and the "real" way of living.

Count Mippipopolous - A wealthy Greek count. He likes to drink and enjoy life. Kind and generous to Brett and Jake. He has scars from the war and accepts life as it is.

Frances Clyne - Cohn's girlfriend at the start. Jealous, demanding, and frustrated. She quarrels with Cohn often and later leaves him.

Montoya - Owner of the Pamplona hotel and a true lover of bullfighting. He respects Jake and Romero but becomes disappointed when Jake helps Brett and Romero meet. He fears Brett would spoil Romero's talent.

Other Characters -

Harvey Stone - A drunkard and friend of Jake in Paris.

Georgette Hobin - A prostitute who briefly appears with Jake in Paris.

Belmonte - An old bullfighter who comes out of retirement but fails to impress the crowd.

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