

Who's Who?

Rev. Arthur Villars: tutor to Evelina's grandfather, Mr. Evelyn

Mr. Evelyn marries a French woman, (Madame Duval), who was a tavern girl in England.

They move to France where Mr. Evelyn dies, making Villars the guardian of his baby daughter Caroline (this is Evelina's mother)

When Caroline became 18 her mother, now Madame Duval, called her to Paris.

Madame Duval and husband tried to marry her off but she marries John Belmont in secret.

Belmont is a fortune hunter who, disappointed of Caroline's fortune, burns the marriage certificate.

She then seeks the protection of Villars and dies giving birth to Evelina, the hero of this story.

Evelina has been raised by Villars since her birth (at the beginning of the story)