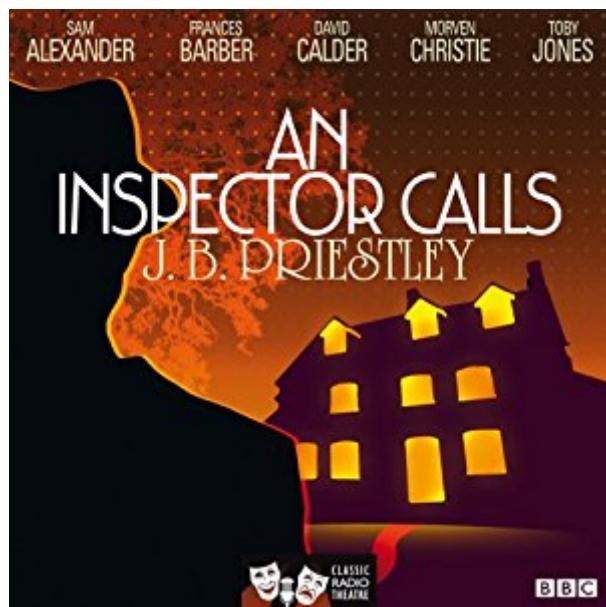


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# An Inspector Calls (Classic Radio Theatre)



## Synopsis

A BBC Radio 4 production of Priestley's classic thriller, starring Toby Jones and Frances Barber. The Birling family are spending a happy evening celebrating the engagement of Sheila Birling to Gerald Croft - a marriage that will result in the merging of two successful local businesses. Yet, just when everything seems to be going so well, they receive a surprise visit from an Inspector Goole who is investigating the suicide of a young girl. As the Inspector reveals more about the circumstances that led to the death of Eva Smith, each member of the family comes under the spotlight, and questions of guilt and responsibility are raised... Toby Jones, David Calder, Frances Barber and Morven Christie are amongst the cast in this BBC Radio 4 production from 2010. The Classic Radio Theatre range presents notable radio productions of much-loved plays by some of the most renowned playwrights, and starring some of our finest actors.

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## Customer Reviews

This is the BBC 4 radio production of Priestley's classic thriller *An Inspector Calls*, starring Toby Jones and Francis Barber. It is such a gripping tale to listen to with a clever and intricately woven plot that has you sat in anticipation throughout, perfect for those readers who enjoy mystery and suspense with a twist. Boasting an ideal cast with Toby Jones as the mysterious and inexplicable inspector Goole, the story is brought vividly to life in all its electrifying glory. One night as the Birling family are celebrating the engagement of Sheila Birling to Gerald Croft (a marriage that will merge two large, successful businesses), they receive an unexpected call from an Inspector who is investigating the suicide of a young working-class girl. As the shocking and what was misleading

truth is slowly unraveled for all to see, questions soon arise regarding feelings of guilt and responsibility that many characters begin to suffer from. Each character (similarly to a Pirot, Miss Marple or Sherlock Holmes case under the investigation of the police) comes under the spotlight as the protagonist tries to detect the underlying reasons for Eva Smith's death. It is the Inspector who exposes the middle-class, standoffish Birling family headed by industrialist Arthur Birling (played by David Calder), as complicit in the suicide case. Priestley's classic play about morality, honesty and truth sounds just so engaging on the radio and atmospheric from the very first opening scene. Toby Jones, David Calder, Francis Barber and Morven Christie (who plays Sheila Birling) are just spectacular and you will be swept away by the intensity of the drama.

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