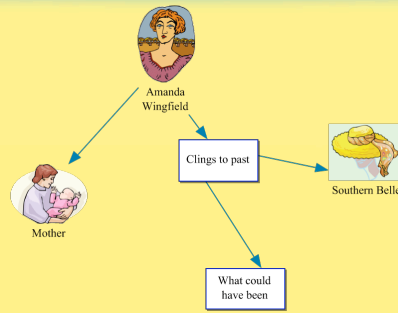


## The Glass Menagerie

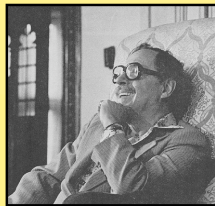


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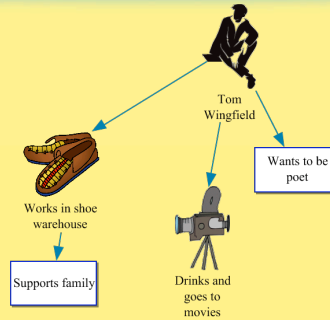


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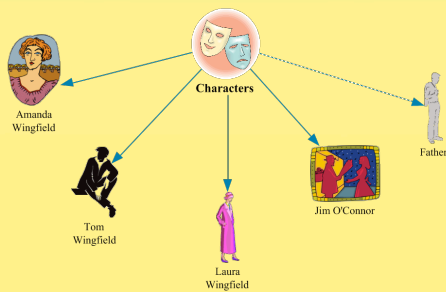
- Author of *The Glass Menagerie*
- Biography
  - Early
  - Middle
  - Late
- Other works
  - Focus on dysfunctional families
    - *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*
    - *A Streetcar Named Desire*
    - *Night of the Iguana*



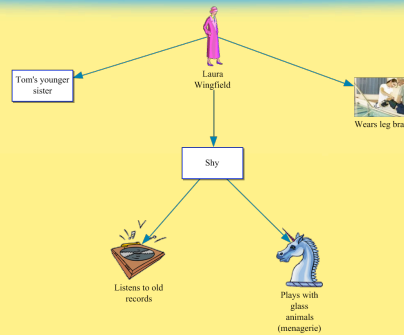
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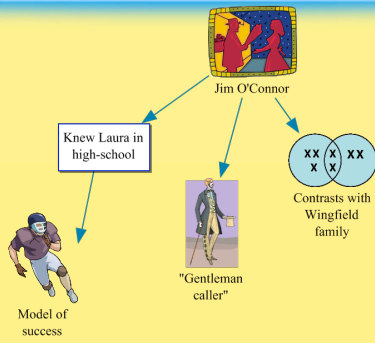
## Characters



## Laura Wingfield



## Jim O'Connor

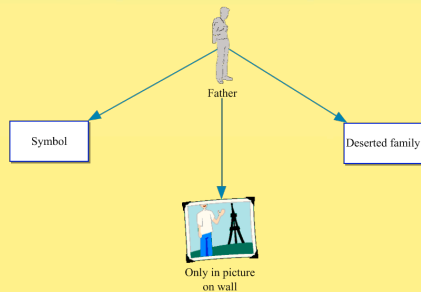


## Scene 1:

- Tom introduces the setting
- Great Depression
- Unstable and violent



## Father



## Scene 2

- Shows reality behind Laura's and Amanda's make-believe
- Conflict between mother and daughter
  - Laura's cutting class
  - Amanda is worried



## Setting



## Scene 3

- Frustration with reality
  - Amanda desperately seeks husband for Laura
  - Tom and Amanda fight



### Scene 4

- Tom tells Laura about a magician who escaped from coffin
  - Feels that he and Laura are trapped too
  - Father is the one who was able to "get away"
- Amanda convinces Tom to bring home a man for Laura



### Scene 7

- Jim's nickname for Laura: "Blue Roses"
- Jim and Laura dance
  - He breaks the unicorn
- Jim is engaged
- Tom and Amanda fight
- Tom's departure
  - Like his father

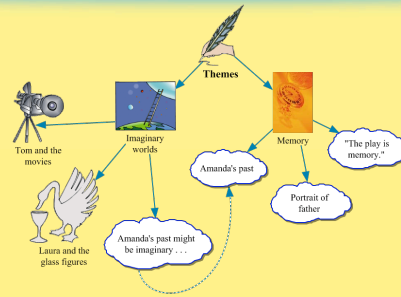


### Scene 5

- Tom invites a friend for dinner
- Amanda gets overly excited
- Tom reminds her that Laura is crippled and peculiar
- Amanda makes Laura make a wish on the moon



### Themes



### Scene 6

- Jim the "gentleman caller" comes to dinner
- Laura had a crush on him
- Laura gets so nervous it makes her sick



Thank you!