ACTOR ASSIGNMENT

Due by Tuesday, May 26th 2016, 11pm CST

Since we’ve been looking at the work of the actor we wanted to give you a chance to try your hand at some of that work. Below you will find a link to a very short play. You are to read that play and then use your interpretive skills to fill out the Character Biography Sheet found below. Some advice:

A. You want to base your answers on the play (use the setting and other information to help you come to logical answers).
B. Some information may have to be invented- not all of the questions will be directly answered but it is an actor’s job to be specific in the details a normal person would know about themselves. Feel free to be creative but don’t forget to use the reality and the FACTS of the play as a basis for your creation. First facts- then creativity.
C. You will want to offer a short explanation as to why you answered what you answered. For instance- if you answer question #1 What is your full name? as Mary Margaret O’Connell- you might include a sentence saying something like: ONLY MARY’S FIRST NAME IS GIVEN IN THE SCRIPT BUT SINCE THE PLAY IS SET IN IRELAND I THOUGHT IT PRUDENT TO GIVE HER A SEEMINGLY IRISH LAST NAME.

THE PLAY CAN BE FOUND AT:
http://www.10-minute-plays.com/comedies/sun_dried.html

CHARACTER BIOGRAPHY SHEET
(Fill out in the first person, as if you are the character.)

1. What is your full name?
2. What is your age and date of birth?
3. What is your ethnic/cultural heritage?
4. What is your religion/spiritual belief system?
5. What is your marital status?
6. Do you have children? (If so who are they?)
7. What is your occupation?
8. What is your favorite pastime/hobby?
9. Who are you closest to in the play? Why?
10. Who do you not get along with in the play? Why?
11. What is the single most important event in your life?
12. What is your level of education?
13. What is your overall goal in the play?
14. Where do you want to be in five years?
15. What are the events that have led up to the start of the play?
16. Write down ten adjectives that describe you.