

“12 Angry Jurors” Synopsis:

A murder trial has ended, closing arguments have been made; now it's up to a jury of twelve to decide the fate of a 19-year-old boy accused of murdering his father. It's an open and shut case. Or is it? Tensions rise as racism, classism, and twelve very different personalities interact to obstruct their intentions of reaching a unanimous decision. Can one juror, in their pursuit of justice, save the life of a young man by changing the minds of their peers, one vote at a time?

Cast (ages are general guideline, roles are open to all genders, races and ethnic diversities):

Guard: A police officer of any age, gender, or ethnicity

Jurors:

1. Flexible age. Level-headed foreman of the jury. Takes their job seriously, fair, even-tempered.
2. Flexible age. Timid, shy, easily led, trusts others' opinions over their own, working class
3. 40-50s, antagonist. Extremely opinionated, dislikes opinions other than their own, they are not comfortable with anyone standing up to them.
4. Flexible age. A professional; juror 4 is logical, cultured, analytical, they have a good mind for recalling many of the details presented during the trial; upper middle class
5. 18-25. Streetwise, grew up in the slums, identifies somewhat with the defendant, hesitant to share their opinions among their elders, working poor
6. Flexible age. They are always apologizing, defensive and nervous as tensions rise throughout deliberations. Juror 6 has a bit more subdued personality and is respectful of others' opinions, working class
7. Flexible age. A car salesperson, very vocal as a juror, they are impatient, and they do not want to be there.
8. 30s-40s, protagonist. Thoughtful, confident, steadfast, compassionate; Juror 8 reargues the entire trial, determined to uphold the tenets of justice and the concept of reasonable doubt; upper middle class
9. Older, wise, and well spoken, they become an advocate for the defendant, lower middle class
10. Flexible age. Bigoted, tactless, opinionated, a bully.
11. Flexible age. Immigrant, slight accent, patriotic, appreciates the American justice system and is willing to defend it.
12. Flexible age. Business executive, isn't particularly invested in achieving justice and believes their time would be better spent elsewhere, they see people as a number, upper middle class.