

Spelling list: SQA English: Short stories by Iain Crichton Smith

Key characters from the short stories by Iain Crichton Smith. Set texts for both SQA Higher and SQA National 5 English.

Murdo	The Red Door: Murdo is the main character.
Mary	The Red Door: Mary captures Murdo's interest.
Sarah	The Telegram: Sarah is the jealous fat woman in Iain Crichton Smith's story.
MacLeod	The Telegram: MacLeod is the church elder.
John	Mother and Son: John is the emotionally immature son bound to look after his bed ridden mother in 'Mother and Son'.
mother	Mother and Son: The mother in ' Mother and Son' is bedridden and self-obsessed.
lieutenant	In Church: Lieutenant Colin MacLeod is a British soldier and the main character in Iain Crichton Smith's 'In Church'.
Roderick	The Painter: Red Roderick is an aggressive drunkard who is still somehow accepted by the village community .
William	The Painter: William is the painter in the short story of the same name. The villagers reject him for painting an honest picture of the village.
Mackinnon	The Crater: Mackinnon is a young officer in World War One. He is the main character in this grisly tale.
sergeant	The Crater: Sergeant Smith is the more experienced and resilient soldier in the story.
Morrison	The Crater: Morrison serves as a grisly reminder of the atrocities of war; he is described as a 'monster of the deep'.