

Student 1: Low Excellence

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Role: Honora Rieper from *Daughters of Heaven* by Michaelanne Forster

In playing Mrs Rieper I want to present an ordinary mum. A mum who cares a lot about her daughter but doesn't understand her. She tries to be patient with Pauline, but is worried about how Pauline is withdrawing from the family and is spending more time with Juliet and the Hulme's. She is bewildered by the influence Juliet has over her daughter and is very relieved when she learns she is to leave. She knows she can't compete with Juliet at the moment. Juliet has every advantage that Pauline doesn't - a large house and a father who is a university professor, and money. She is disturbed by the two girls' deepening bond but is powerless to do anything about it. I want to make sure that my performance of Mrs Reiper shows the different ways that she copes with Pauline and the situation, and also how she can be relaxed and loving with Mr Reiper. I want to also capture something of the horror of her death.