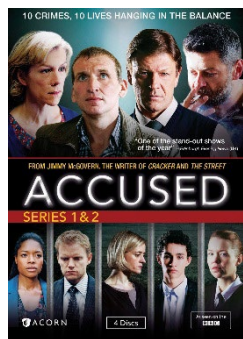


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## SERIES ONE

### Disc 1

**EPISODE 1: Willy's Story** (0:60) First Aired: 15 Nov. 2010

STARS: CHRISTOPHER ECCLESTON, POOKY QUESNEL, EMMA STANSFIEL, NICKY BELL

Married to Carmel with three children, plumber Willy Houlihan is all set to leave his family for his girl-friend Michelle when his daughter Laura announces her forthcoming wedding. Though Laura's in-laws are well off, as a point of pride Willy is determined to pay for the reception but, when a client goes bust and the check he paid Willy bounces, Willy finds himself with no funds. Then he finds twenty thousand pounds in the back of a taxi and doubles it at the casino before returning the original sum next day, only to learn that the owners of the money beat up and killed the taxi driver. The

taxi firm's receptionist is hostile and, when the police tell Willy the notes are counterfeit and accuse him of forgery, she refuses to recognize him. Taken to court he is doubly punished as his Not Guilty plea is rejected and Carmel finds out about Michelle.

**EPISODE 2: Frankie's Story** (0:60) First Aired: 22 Nov. 2010

STARS: MACKENZIE CROOK, BEN SMITH, ROBERT PUGH, BEN BATT, ROBERT HORWELL, WILLIAM RUANE

Young Frankie Nash joins the army to get off an assault charge and is sent to Afghanistan with best mate Peter. Peter has only joined up to impress his war hero father and goes to pieces under fire. Consequently he is subject to merciless harassment from bullying Lance Corporal Buckley who humiliates him constantly until he can take no more and blows his own brains out. Buckley rationalizes to Frankie by claiming that Peter's cowardice put lives at risk and, to spare his parents pain, tells them their son died in action, though Peter's father is unconvinced. Frankie attempts to expose Buckley but in vain and ends up in court on a murder charge.

**EPISODE 3: Helen's Story** (0:60) First Aired: 29 Nov. 2010

STARS: JULIET STEVENSON, PETER CAPALDI, JOSEPH PHILLIPS

Teenager Rob Ryland is killed when his fork lift truck collides with shelves which crush him, in the warehouse where he works. Rob's parents Helen and Frank start to become suspicious when they learn that Rob's boss, Alan Maxfield, has been instructed by his lawyer to hold back the body and that the depot's CCTV cameras were not working on that day. In addition to this, Michael, Rob's workmate tells Helen that Health and Safety training, contrary to Maxfield's assurances, were minimal. However the C.P.S. find they have insufficient evidence to prosecute Maxfield. Whilst Frank turns to drink, Helen becomes obsessive about obtaining justice for her son, leading to her appearing in court where events do not turn out entirely for the worst.

### Disc 2

**EPISODE 4: Liam's Story** (0:60) First Aired: 6 Dec. 2010

STARS: ANDY SERKIS, NEVE MCINTOSH, JODIE WHITTAKER

Taxi driver Liam has an invalid wife and a gambling habit, which latter prevents him from buying a reward present for his daughter when she passes her exams. So he burgles a fare's house but becomes obsessed with the house owner, Emma, stealing the memory stick from her computer to learn more about her. He starts to arrange 'coincidental' meetings with her, claiming to be a widower and ending up in bed with her after he has exposed her boyfriend Neil as a married man. However a deadly showdown with Neil leads him to a court appearance as the accused.

**EPISODE 5: Kenny's Story** (0:60) First Aired: 13 Dec. 2010

STARS: MARC WARREN, JACK DEAM, JOE DUTTINE

After his little girl is molested in a park crematorium attendant Kenny, with his friends Gordon and Neil, assaults the man answering the culprit's description. But the man dies and Kenny's attempts to lie to the police about his whereabouts only arouse the further suspicions of dogged inspector Warren. A professional encounter with the dead man's widow increases Kenny's unease, which is topped by the knowledge that the man he killed was not the child molester. A further revelation comes to light before the trio stand trial for murder.

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**EPISODE 6: Alison's Story** (0:60) First Aired: 20 Dec. 2010

STARS: NAOMIE HARRIS, WARREN BROWN, ANDREW KNOTT

Special needs teacher Alison Wade and her unemployed house husband David are drifting apart and, whilst she initially rejects the advances of charming work colleague Ben, David does not believe her when he discovers that she failed to attend a teachers' conference and accuses her of having an affair. As the marriage falls apart, a bitter custody battle for the Wades' children leads to David's policeman father employing dirty tricks to discredit Alison and her appearance in court as the accused. She will need to keep very calm in order to clear her name.

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**EPISODE 1: Tracie's Story** (0:59) First Aired: 14 Aug. 2012

STARS: SEAN BEAN, STEPHEN GRAHAM, MICHAEL MALONEY

After a row with a drunken bigot transvestite Simon gets into a taxi with Tony Baines. Tony is fascinated by Simon's alter ego Tracie and the two men begin an affair. Simon has feelings for Tony and is shocked to learn that he has lied about being married. Following a confrontation between the two men Tony confesses all to his wife before telling Simon that he has left her and the pair set off to make a new life together. However Tony makes a terrifying admission as a result of which Tracie must come to the aid of Simon in court.

**Mr Potter takes a Rest Cure** (0:30) First Aired: 2 April 1976

Long-winded politician Clifford Gandle wants to marry Bobbie Wickham. She isn't keen, but Lady Wickham insists on the match. Bobbie, a mischief-maker, persuades visiting American publisher Mr Potter that Gandle is prone to attacks of homicidal mania She also convinces Gandle that Mr Potter is contemplating suicide. In the ensuing chaos, the proposed match comes to nothing.

**Strychnine in the Soup** (0:30) First Aired: 9 April 1976

Cyril Mulliner, an interior decorator with a passion for mystery stories, is in love with Amelia Bassett, a fellow devotee. Lady Bassett objects, preferring Lester Mapledurham ("pronounced 'Mum'"), a well-known big game hunter and explorer, as a son-in-law. Thanks to a copy of the new 'Inspector Mould' mystery, Strychnine in the Soup. Lester is scratched from the marriage race and Cyril wins Amelia.

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**Feet of Clay** (0:30) First Aired: 23 April 1976

Sydney McMurdo and Agnes Flack, both avid golfers, are engaged, but her head is turned by dashing and boastful Captain Jack Fosdyke and she becomes engaged to him instead. Sydney, at a loose end, becomes engaged to Cora McGuffy Spottsworth, a flamboyant writer and mystic who believes that they knew each other in a previous life. Cora and Agnes compete in the Women's Championship. With one hole to go and all square, a Pekinese dog runs off with the ball Agnes is about to play. Jack urges Agnes to concede the match, Agnes is appalled at the suggestion and their engagement is off. Agnes and Sydney get together again, and Jack, now exposed as a fake, finds solace with Lulubelle Sprockett, an air-headed blonde American heiress.

**The Nodder** (0:30) First Aired: 30 April 1976

Wilmot Mulliner is a lowly 'nodder' in a Hollywood studio whose sole job is to agree to the pronouncements of producer I Q Fishbein (Sydney Tafler). Wilmot falls for Fishbein's secretary Mabel Ridgeway, but she won't marry him unless he proves himself worthy. After apparently bravely tacking a violent gorilla (actually an actor in disguise), he does prove worthy of Muriel's attention. Mabel, a former vaudeville birdcall-imitator, has a dispute with Fishbein over the proper manner of imitating a cuckoo for a film (cuckoo-cuckoo v wuckoo-wuckoo). Wilmot finds the courage to defy his boss and defend Mabel.

**The Code of the Mulliners** (0:30) First Aired: 7 May 1976

Archibald Mulliner, whose sole claim to fame is that he can imitate a hen laying an egg, believes that his Mother (Daphne Oxenford) is developing insanity. Thinking that insanity can be inherited, he decides to break his engagement to Aurelia Cammerleigh (Gabrielle Drake), but the Code of the Mulliners will not allow him to take this step. On Tuppy Glossop's advice, he hires an actress, Yvonne Maltravers, to

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confront the couple at the Savoy Grill in the role of a Woman from his Past. In the midst of the scene, Lady Mulliner turns up, revealing that her odd behaviour is really a cure for a double chin. She also recognises Yvonne. Archibald quickly concocts the story that Yvonne is seeking his assistance to land a part for producer Charles B. Cochran.

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**The Smile that Wins** (0:30) First Aired: 31 October 1978

In the course of returning a lost dog, Adrian Mulliner, a private detective, falls in love with Lady Millicent Shipton-Bellinger, the daughter of the Earl of Brangbolton. His lowly social status and equally lowly financial status does not allow them to marry, and the Earl insists that Millicent must marry Sir Jasper Addleton, the financier. Adrian regularly suffers from dyspepsia, and a doctor advises him that the best cure for dyspepsia is to smile (which he hasn't attempted since the age of twelve). At a wedding reception, where Adrian is assigned to keep an eye on potentially thieving guests, his odd smile is interpreted as saying 'I know all', and causes a nervousness amongst people with something to hide. A guest helping himself to a fish slice is his first victim and Adrian finds himself invited to the Baronet's country home. The next guilty party is Addleton who, believing that Mulliner knows of his dirty dealings, hands him a cheque for a hundred thousand pounds and agrees to leave the country. Adrian gets the Earl's blessing to marry Millicent.

**Trouble down at Tudsleigh** (0:30) First Aired: 7 November 1978

Visiting Tudsleigh Court, Freddie Widgeon falls in love with April Carroway. He even starts reading Tennyson's poetry, which she admires – especially 'The Lady of Shallot'. Captain Bradbury, on leave from India, also admires April, and makes it clear what will happen if Freddie doesn't clear out. Nevertheless, Freddie invites April for a row on the river. She fails to turn up and he's stuck with her prankish young sister Prudence instead. Prudence vanishes and appears to have drowned in the river. In an attempt to find her, Freddie plunges into the river to find her, steals a car, breaks into Bradbury's cottage, and gets the heave-ho from April for his trouble.

**Tangled Hearts** (0:30) First Aired: 14 November 1978

Smallwood Bessemer, indefatigable know-it-all and golf club bore (although he doesn't actually play golf), and Carter Muldoon, are both dumped by their fiancées. The Oldest Member tries fruitlessly to reconcile them, and the two men eventually become engaged to their opposite former girls. Bessemer learns to play golf (as he thinks) and the two couples play a match. It's a disaster, and the original couples get back together.

**The Luck of the Stiffhams** (0:30) First Aired: 21 November 1978

Adolphus (Stiffy) Stiffham, secretary to the Earl of Wivelscombe (Leslie Sands), wants to marry his daughter Lady Geraldine Spettisbury ((Liza Goddard), but is dismissed for his trouble. He leaves for America (not knowing that the Wall Street Crash has just occurred), hoping to make his fortune. At his hotel, the bellboy gets him involved in an illegal craps game. Innocently betting against a hardened crew of players, he makes \$120,000, and banks it. Next day, thinking that the bank has gone bust, he writes a suicide note to Geraldine, but then learns that the money is safe. He returns home to claim Geraldine. She still loves him, but the Earl thinks that he really has committed suicide, and what he sees is really Stiffy's ghost. The Earl is thoroughly frightened that he will be haunted. With the connivance of the butler (John Rudling), the Earl gives his consent to the marriage.

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**The Editor Regrets** (0:30) First Aired: 28 November 1978

Bingo Little, now married to Rosie M Banks, is editor of the magazine 'Wee Tots' owned by Mr Purkis. He loses his job when he inadvertently gives the air to visiting American author of children's stories, Bella Mae Jobson, who was about to sign a contract with Purkis. Meeting Bella later at a party, he enlists Tuppy Glossop's assistance (and money), to 'give her the old oil'. Bella eventually agrees a contract with the magazine. Bingo extricates Purkis from a potentially compromising situation, and gets his job back.

**Big Business** (0:30) First Aired: 5 December 1978

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Reginald Mulliner and Amanda Biffen (Maggie Henderson) want to marry, and when Mulliner inherits £50,000, it seems the ideal opportunity. Mulliner is induced to use the money to buy a block of worthless oil shares (Smelly River Ordinaries) by Amanda's rascally guardian, Sir Jethro Mott (Derek Francis), and Amanda 'gives him the raspberry'. Mulliner is due to perform 'Ol' Man River' that night at a church social, and with no fiancée and no money, his emotions take over and he gives it all he's got, to great applause. Thus encouraged, he goes back to have it out with Sir Jethro. Amanda, who was in the audience, also comes back to apologise to Mulliner. With the assistance of a not-too-bright policeman, they get Sir Jethro to buy back the shares, with a profit to Mulliner.

**Mulliner's Buck-U-Uppo** (0:30) First Aired: 12 December 1978

Rev. Augustine Mulliner, a meek young curate, is in love with Jane Brandon, but they are opposed by her father, the vicar (John Barron). Augustine's Aunt Agatha sends him a bottle of a tonic, Buck-U-Uppo, which her husband is developing. Mulliner takes a tablespoonful. He immediately acquires more confidence and assertiveness as well as greater physical strength. Thus fortified, he rescues a visiting bishop (Cyril Luckham) from a fierce dog, and firmly ends a quarrel between the bishop and the vicar, who have hated each other since school. He receives the vicar's thanks and a promotion to vicar in a nearby parish. But then Mulliner learns that the tonic he drank was not the one meant for human consumption – it's really meant for increasing the courage of elephants in India. Augustine promptly orders three cases of the tonic.