

THE OLD COUPLE

A Contemporary Analysis of The Old Couple

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Felix becomes suicidal over his divorce and agrees to move in with his best friend Oscar. Who he seems to drive crazy with his obsession over his ex-wife? Oscar tries to help him get over her by setting up a double date with their neighbors. The plan backfires and Felix becomes more despondent. That is when their friendship starts getting put to the test. Felix and Oscar are both apart of a failed marriage even though both admit to situation, both have yet to realize that the failure might have come from faults of their own. The significance of the whole story was how they both were getting annoyed by the things the other would do. Felix mentions some of the things that drove Frances away. His ego shadows the fact he was pushing his wife away. Oscar's selflessness and insensitivity to his ex-wife Blanche.

What started it was when Felix moved in with Oscar after being suicidal about being divorced from his ex-wife. Felix and Oscar are the opposite of each other. Both having personal habits and different lifestyles. Felix likes to have order and a tidy living space; however, Oscar likes to live in his messiness and disorder and prefers it that way. Oscar only offered Felix to move in because he was concerned about his friend. The deal with the situation by Oscar asking Felix to move out, so Felix, moved in with the Pigeon sister. Oscar is a carefree sportswriter, who is also messy. Felix is a fussy man who knows he is not the best person to live with. The pigeon sisters are attractive, intellectually lightweight and a little flirtatious. Murray is a New York police, Roy is an accountant, Vinnie is a cheap stake, and Speed is a simple man with taste. All the characters except for the pigeon sisters are members of the poker game. The Pigeon sisters are upstairs neighbors that they planned to have a romantic evening with. Oscar is the protagonist but then turned into the antagonist after his experience living with Felix. The Pigeon sisters are the protagonist as well because they decided to help him get back on his feet. The setting took place in New York City in Oscar's apartment in Riverside Drive on the Upper East side of Manhattan. All the scenes are indoors. The play takes place in 1970's, multiple nights leading up to the big finish. Following the ear of Broadway. No, it does not affect the actions of the play. Move in. In hopes to help him get over his divorce. That is when they realize they are not perfect. Locally the play was turned into a successful film in 1968 and then became a popular television series on the American Broadcasting Company network running from 1970 to 1975. A

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steadily prominent in the popular entertainment industry for ten years and, as a result, became a part of American culture. The unforgettable pair of mismatched roommates made Simon a cultural phenomenon, and he subsequently became in his own lifetime the most commercially.

At first, I thought they were separated married men who found affection for each other because the title was called the The Old Couple. But once I read it over, I started really understanding Felix was lost with out his family. He did not want the divorce because his family made him feel like a great man despite all the negative. His family was all he had. Oscar on the other hand loved the thought of being single but he did understand how Felix felt about wanting his family. I believe he did want to help Felix out at the beginning but after a couple nights and they both started realizing what cause them to be in the predicament they are in now. The interaction between the two made it feel as if they were a couple, but they are only friends and that is what made it feel like a relationship hence the title: *“The Old Couple”*