

## The Importance of Being Earnest- Transcript

Male actor dressed in a pink dress appears on screen playing the piano, he then tilts back on his seat and put his hand in the air and winks at the camera.

Block Text appears on screen on bright pick background “National Theatre Live Earnestly Invites You”.

Two male actors appear on screen dressed in white suits, sitting by a table with one of them eating a sandwich from a plate.

A female actor then appears on screen dressed in a red and white dress with a notebook in her hands sitting by a table with other notebooks on

Her voice then speaks over the clip with the words “It had always been a girlish dream of mine to love someone whose name was Ernest”.

The woman then appears on screen sitting next to the male actor from the previous piano clip.

A male actor appears on screen dressed in a brown check suit.

Block Text appears on screen on bright pick background “To a trivial cinema event for serious people”.

A female and male actor appear on screen sitting next to each other – the female actor is seen talking to the audience dressing in a pink dress with a hat on

Her voice then speaks over the clip with the words “- There is something about that name. that inspires absolute confidence.”

Male actor again appears on screen in a pink dress sat at the same piano, but this time has other actors around him holding his dress up whilst he plays the piano

A male actor appears again on screen dressed in a brown check suit and says, “My name is Ernest in town and Jack in the country”. He then appears in a black suit, hat and sunglasses.

A male actor and female actor appear on screen with a shocked expression on their faces.

Male actor dressed in a pink dress appears again on-screen dancing on the piano, he then says, “You look as if your name was Ernest, the most earnest-looking person I ever saw in my life.”

Male actors appear on screen in dialogue with each other, both dressed in suits.

Male and female actor appear on screen, hugging each other and dancing together. Male voice says, “I am in love with Gwendolen, I’ve come up to town expressly to propose to her”.

Male actor appears on screen in a suit and laughs at the other male actor.

Text appears on screen with reviews and five stars attributed to various titles.

A female voice then says, “You could hardly imagine that I and Lord Bracknell would dream of allowing our only daughter to marry into a cloakroom.”

A female actor walks onto stage dressed in a bright yellow hat, dress and walking stick, followed by another female actor dressed in a pink dress and hat.

Male actor appears on the floor under a seat, hiding from one of the female actors.

Male and female actors also appear on stage and look over at the commotion.

Block text appears on screen in the form of a national newspaper review "A Wilde party of irresistible, anarchic charm."

Male actors voice says "Well, I simply wanted to be engaged to Cecily, which is all, I adore her."

Various clips of the actors performing on stage

More clips of a male actor on stage

Block text appears on screen in the form of a national newspaper review "Delivered with irrepressible infectious glee."

More clips of actors on stage dancing and performing together

Male actor says "- I have now realised for the first time in my life, the vital importance of being."

List of actor's names appears on screen.

Text appears on screen "The Importance of being Earnest" National Theatre Live in Cinemas from 20 February with an image of an actor with his hands in the air.

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