

Mrs Coulter

Profile

Name: *Mrs Coulter*

Who is she?: *High-ranking official of the Magisterium*

Dæmon: *The Golden Monkey*

Dæmon form: *A golden monkey – fixed.*

Background

Introduced to Lyra in Oxford as a “friend of the College”, Mrs Coulter is charming, beautiful and commanding. Her dæmon is a nameless golden monkey, who never speaks. Mrs Coulter works for the Magisterium, the organisation that “tells people what to do”. She immediately takes an interest in Lyra, offering to train her as an assistant so that Lyra can accompany Mrs Coulter on her next trip to the frozen North. Together they leave Oxford for Mrs Coulter’s London home.

Lyra’s life in London with Mrs Coulter is an exciting experience. Mrs Coulter loves the high life – dining out, shopping for clothes, being pampered and treated like a lady.

She lives in an amazing London home where Lyra experiences the feminine touch for the first time in her life. Mrs Coulter even tucks her into bed at night! But Pan – Lyra’s dæmon – believes that Mrs Coulter is just treating Lyra like a new pet.

Before long, Lyra sees Mrs Coulter’s more threatening side, and makes some unnerving links between the Magisterium and the Gobblers – evil individuals responsible for kidnapping children in London and Oxford. Pan is right – beneath Mrs Coulter’s charming outward appearance lies something much more deadly. But what will happen when Lyra is no longer under Mrs Coulter’s spell?