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## Task for The Natural Way of Things

**Character groupings** 

The two main characters: Yolanda and Verla are the characters through whose memories, thoughts, actions, and finally growth to self-knowledge the meaning of the story unfolds.

The transgressive women who have been punished for speaking out about the violent sexual abuse that they have suffered at the hands of powerful men.

Each is familiar from recent media stories.

The guards:

Boncer: The brute.

Teddy: The narcissist.

Nancy: The gender traitor.