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Gavin is a loose cannon - an unpredictable dangerous man who is bad news. Phil knows that and always recognised a threat in him. Their battle so far has been mostly psychological. You can do a lot if you are a powerful individual - you can be destructive if you use your head. Gavin is manipulative and clever, so he's been able to outwit Phil.

Playing a baddie has been a nice change for me. I have spent a lot of my life playing rather nice characters. I am best known in TV for Just Good Friends, where I was a charming chappy. I even played Jesus, so you can't get nicer than that! It's great to be able to do something that's so different to what people see me as. And you get to do what you wouldn't in real life.



When the Mitchells have a faaaamily lunch, you can guarantee the aroma of fish and chips won't be the only smell wafting in the air - there's likely to be a strong whiff of trouble too. And now that Roxy has shopped

her big sis Ronnie for murdering Carl, it's rather awkward when the police come knocking and cart Ron away...
ALSO TONIGHT... Denise is confused when someone in police custody gives her address as their own.

Interview 😾 with the boss



Is Carmel going to be a permanent fixture in Walford? "Bonnie Langford [who plays Carmel] was only meant to be a guest, but she bewitched us here so we gave her a year's contract. She was stripped of makeup from the start, showing a different side of herself. The biggest compliment I can give her is that she has a bit of Barbara Windsor about her, onscreen and off - she's old-school, creating a modern matriarch."



PHIL-LING WORSE FOR WEAR

If we had a pound for every time Phil has fallen off the wagon, we could give up buying Lottery tickets. And now Gavin has pushed him over the edge. With his family falling apart (Roxy and Shazza have a punch-up after Ronnie's arrest), Phil decides to drown himself in Scotch. Poor Jay tries to talk sense into him, but when has an inebriated Phil ever been sensible? ALSO TONIGHT... Newly named Arthur (that's Fatboy to you and us) steals something suspicious from Vincent's safe, and Honey gives Billy an ultimatum.

SHE TRIED TO MAKE HIM GO TO REHAB Prepare for Sharon's sad, starey eyes to go into overload. She's found

out that Phil is back on the booze, dragged him home with the help of Jay and Billy, and now she's going to get him to go cold turkey the only way she knows how - by locking him in his bedroom as if he were a naughty teenager. Hmm, we can't see that strategy working...

THURSDAY 7.30PM

> **ALSO TONIGHT...** Roxy wonders whether she's made the right decision siding with Dean against Ronnie. Er, no!



Cluck, cluck, it's hen-party time for Linda! Only she's not too happy when Sharon makes her excuses not to come. Little does Linda know that her BFF has actually planned a surprise 90s-themed bash at The Vic. With

an angry alcoholic attacking her at home, it's no wonder Sharon's not really in the partying mood. IGHT... Vincent is not a happy chappy when he realises what is missing from his safe.

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