

## **Characters in *The Lion Women of Tehran***

Ellie (Elaheh) Tavakoli – A girl from a wealthy family who experiences a dramatic shift in fortune. She is initially more reserved and rule-abiding, contrasting with Homa's spirited nature.

Homa Roozbeh – Ellie's best friend, a spirited and brave girl from a poor family. She is more of an idealist and a leader, embodying the "lion woman" ideal from the start.

Ellie's mother – An overprotective and traumatized woman who disapproves of Homa

Massoud – Ellie's uncle

Monir Khanom – Homa's mother

Sara Roozbeh – Homa's sister

Khanom Tabatabayi – Homa and Ellie's adviser

Ali Reza Roozbeh – Homa's baby sister

Niloo – Ellie's high school classmate and friend

Sousan – Ellie's friend

Afarin Molavi – Ellie's powerful and very rich classmate

The Colonel – Sousan's fiancé

Abdol – Mehrdad's classmate and friend

Hooman – Niloo's fiancé

Sanam – Homa's student

Yassi – Homa's new friend

Rudabeh – Yassi's friend

Mehrdad Tavakoli – Ellie's husband

Bahar – Homa's daughter