

## CHARACTERS

<u>CHARACTER</u>	<u>stage AGE</u>	<u>HEIGHT At audition</u>	<u>SYNOPSIS</u>
Nancy	20s		Ex member of Fagin's gang. Heart of gold and is Bill Sykes' doxy or girl friend. Needs a strong Cockney accent, excellent acting skills and good singing voice
Bill Sykes	20-30		Nasty piece of work, he's a villain through and through. Needs to be strong with his acting skills, strong accent and understand timing. Has to handle a dog on stage.
Fagin	50+		Receiver of stolen goods, he trains youngster in the art of pick pocketing.. Needs to have strong characterisation and accent but an element of fun too. Timing essential
Oliver	10-13	Small 4'- 4'3 (122cm)	Workhouse boy who has been sold off. Must have good acting skills able to show innocence, happiness, sadness, fear and <b>MUST</b> be able to cry during Where is Love.
Dodger	Undersized 18	5'-5'4 152-160 cm	Very Bright with a good strong accent. Cocky , cheeky, and cunning, Fagin's brightest pupil and leader of the gang Must be able to sing and can dance.
Bumble	55+	Large rotund	The Beadle of the workhouse. Arrogant but scared of Widow Corney. Must have a strong singing voice
Widow Corney	50+		Sharp tongued widow of the workhouse who marries Bumble and bosses him around. Quite domineering, must be able to sing
Noah	20s		Undertaker's apprentice thinks he's tough and gives Oliver a hard time. Fancies Charlotte. Sings and moves with the chorus
Charlotte	20s		Undertakers daughter, also gives Oliver a hard time Must be able to sing and move with chorus
Mr Sowerberry	40's		Drinks a lot and always tipsy. Under the thumb of his wife' Good comedy timing required. Must be able to sing
Mrs Sowerberry	40's		Dominating character always telling her husband off. Cosies up to Bumble, Needs good comedy timing must be able to sing
Bet	13-15	5' 152cm	Part of Fagin's gang. Idolises Nancy Must be able to sing and dance
Mr Brownlow	55+		An old gentleman of wealth and breeding.
Mrs Bedwin	45+		The Brownlow's Housekeeper
Old Sally	50+		A Pauper
Children's Ensemble	7+		Workhouse/Fagin's Gang
Adult Ensemble			

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**THERE IS A DOG IN THE SHOW SO IF YOU DON'T LIKE DOGS OR ALERGIC BEAR THIS IN MIND BEFORE YOU AUDITION**