

EDITH'S WARTIME SCRAPBOOK

Character Information for

44 speaking parts in order of appearance

(The cast size can be easily reduced or increased – suggestions as to how are included in the script.)

* A 'line' is defined here as each time a character speaks - usually between one and five actual lines of text each time.

🎵 No characters have singing solos or duets in this production. There are, however, plenty of opportunities for characters to sing solos/duets if you choose.

Speaking character	No. of lines *	In which scenes	Costume suggestions
Edith Coleman	30	All	Tweed skirt, blouse with brooch, shawl & glasses
Removal Person 1	14	All	Overalls or work coat
Removal Person 2	12	All	Overalls or work coat
Fred	6	1, 2, 9, 10	Short trousers, short-sleeved shirt, tank top & long socks
Mr Coleman	9	1, 2, 3, 9, 10	Trousers, shirt & tie, braces or cardigan
Mrs Coleman	10	1, 2, 9, 10	Dress, apron & headscarf
Granny	3	1, 2, 9, 10	Skirt, blouse, shawl & glasses
Young Edith	3	1, 2, 9, 10	Floral dress or a skirt & blouse & white knee-length socks
Alice	4	1, 2, 9, 10	Floral dress or a skirt & blouse & white knee-length socks
Sidney	6	1, 2, 8, 10	Long trousers, shirt & tank top, then army uniform
Evacuee 1	1	2	Coat & hat
Mother 1	1	2	Headscarf & coat
Mother 2	1	2	As Mother 1
Evacuee 2	1	2	As Evacuee 1
Father	1	2	Overcoat and trilby
Billeting Officer	2	2	Smart suit or blouse, skirt & jacket
ARP 1	14	3, 4, 10	Blue shirt with epaulettes, long grey trousers & round helmet with ARP on front
ARP 2	2	3	As ARP 1
ARP 3	2	3	As ARP 1
ARP 4	2	3	As ARP 1
ARP 5	2	3	As ARP 1
Wally Davies	2	3, 4	Trousers, shirt & tie, braces & cardigan
Adult 1	2	4	Shirt, long trousers, tank-top or skirt & blouse
Adult 2	2	4	As Adult 1
Adult 3	3	4	As Adult 1
Adult 4	2	4	As Adult 1
Adult 5	2	4	As Adult 1
Adult 6	2	4	As Adult 1
Adult 7	3	4	As Adult 1
Tea Lady	2	4	Skirt, blouse, apron and paper hat
Home Guard 1	7	6	Shirt, tie, long trousers & 'HG' armband, trilby or flat cap
Home Guard 2	1	6	As Home Guard 1
Home Guard 3	2	6	As Home Guard 1
Home Guard 4	1	6	As Home Guard 1
Home Guard 5	2	6	As Home Guard 1
Angry Wife	3	6	Dress, apron & headscarf
American GI	1	7	Shirt, tie or suit, if possible US-style military beret.
Girl	1	7	Floral dress or skirt & blouse

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Local Lad	1	7	Shirt, jacket long trousers & braces
Captain	3	8	Combats, boots & beret
Soldier 1	4	8, 9	Combats & boots
Soldier 2	1	8	As Soldier 1
Soldier 3	1	8	As Soldier 1
Soldier 4	1	8	As Soldier 1

Non-speaking characters	In which scenes	Costume suggestions
Evacuees & Families	2, 9, 10	As Adults & Children above
More ARPs	3, 10	As ARP 1
Sheltering Families	4, 10	As Adults & Children above
Working Women – approx. 6 (essential non-speaking parts)	5, 10	Overalls and head-scarves
More Home Guards	6, 10	As Home Guard 1 above
More GIs & Local Lads	7, 10	As GI and Local Lad above
‘Hollywood’ Girls	7, 10	As Girls above
Arnhem Soldiers	8, 9, 10	As Soldier 1