

Lights... Camera... **ACTION!!**

Reducing the cast size

Minimum Cast Number: **25**

Here is our suggestion to reduce the cast size without compromising the plot.

Some of the speaking and non-speaking characters appear in only one scene. This allows for the 'doubling-up' and 'tripling-up' of parts played by your cast, thus reducing the number you need to fulfil all the main roles, as below:

Speaking Part	Also playing part/s
Terry (Sc 1)	Dudley Nightshade (Sc 3) and Sam Handy (Sc 5)
Trish (Sc 1)	Contestant #1 (Sc 3) and Chippy (Sc 5)
Andy (Sc 1)	Contestant #2 (Sc 3) and Sparky (Sc 5)
Stacey (Sc 1)	Contestant #3 (Sc 3) and Bricky (Sc 5)
Cassie (Sc 1)	Sherri Versace-Porcini (Sc 4) and Betty (Sc 6)
Gary (Sc 1)	Declan O'Deary (Sc 4) and Child #1 (Sc 6)
Sally (Sc 1)	Auditionee #1 (Sc 4) and Child #2 (Sc 6)
McKenzie Twin #1 (Sc 1)	Simon Scowl (Sc 4) and Child #3 (Sc 6)
McKenzie Twin #2 (Sc 1)	Auditionee #2 (Sc 4) and Child #4 (Sc 6)
Dirty Dan (Sc 1)	Hughie Wells (Sc 4) and Child #5 (Sc 6)
Narrator (Sc 2)	Auditionee #3 (Sc 4) and Child #6 (Sc 6)
Mrs Jenkins (Sc 2)	Auditionee #4 (Sc 4) and Doreen (Sc 6)
Mrs Potts (Sc 2)	Mother (Sc 4)
James (Sc 2)	Pipes (Sc 5)
Ali (Sc 2)	Narrator (Sc 5)
Daisy (Sc 2)	Gladys (Sc 6)
Meena (Sc 2)	Audrey (Sc 6)
Ella (Sc 2)	Phyllis (Sc 6)
Jean Jolly (Sc 2)	Miss Conduct (Sc 7)
Non-Speaking Parts	Also playing part/s
3 x Choir members for song	3 x Extra Supervisors for song

Increasing the cast size

To **90+**

For this production, you can have **unlimited numbers of non-speaking characters** in the scenes where they appear. They could also feature prominently in the performance of the song associated with their particular scene:

Non-speaking part	Appearing in scene/s
Soap extras	1
More fidgeting infants	2
Choir members for song	4
Extra supervisors for song	6

You could also have a dedicated choir seated to one side of the stage, to sing all songs – number unlimited.

Please get in touch if you have any further questions about staging this musical – we're always happy to help!