



Reducing the cast size

Minimum Cast Number: **25**

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

The roles of Children in Scene 2 can be reduced to three and their lines redistributed.

Some of the speaking and non-speaking characters appear in only one scene. This allows for the 'doubling-up' or '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
Miss Burberry (Sc 1)	Miss Christie (Sc 3) and Charlotte (Sc 5)
Luke (Sc 1)	Dad #1 (Sc 3) and James (Sc 5)
Simon (Sc 1)	Dad #2 (Sc 3)
Charlie (Sc 1)	Competitive Dad (Sc 3) and Sam (Sc 5)
Jack (Sc 1)	Josh (Sc 5)
Megan (Sc 1)	Mum #1 (Sc 3) and Charlotte (Sc 5)
Daisy (Sc 1)	Mum #2 (Sc 3)
Alice (Sc 1)	Grandma (Sc 3)
Mr Starkey (Sc 2)	Swim Instructor #1 (Sc 4)
Child #1 (Sc 2)	Swim Instructor #2 (Sc 4)
Child #2 (Sc 2)	Child #1 (Sc 4)
Child #3 (Sc 2)	Child #1 (Sc 4)
Child #4 (Sc 2)	Child #1 (Sc 4)
Child #5 (Sc 2)	Child #1 (Sc 4)
Child #6 (Sc 2)	Child #1 (Sc 4)
Non-Speaking Parts	Also playing part/s
4 x Playtime Players (Sc 5)	4 x sports day parents/PE kitted children etc

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
More PE- kitted Children	1
More Classroom Kids	2
Sports Day Parents	3
Swimmers	4
Playtime Players	5

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!