## Reducing the cast size

## Minimum Cast Number: 20

Here is our suggestion to reduce the cast size without compromising the plot.
Instead of having four different families, use the same one in each scene. Change the script accordingly to show that we will again be watching the Wiseman family and leave the furniture.

The non-speaking characters can be removed but you will need at least 5 Traditional Nativity characters to sing Silent Night in Scene 5.

Some of the speaking characters appear in only one scene. This allows for the 'doubling-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 Evans (Sc 4) | Nativity Character (Sc 5) |
| Sam (Sc 4) | Nativity Character (Sc 5) |
| Mr Lewis (Sc 6) | Nativity Character (Sc 5) |

## Increasing the cast size

To 80+
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 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Extra Elves and Reindeer | All |
| Domestic Jobbers | 2 |
| Animal Lovers | 3 |
| Extra Carol Singers | 4 |
| Nativity Characters | 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!

