**NEWSIES THE MUSICAL – ROLES AVAILABLE**

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| **CHILD** | **ROLE AGE** | **TOP** | **BOTTOM** | **DESCRIPTION** |
| ***BOYS*** |  |  |  |  |
| JACK | 17-19 yrs | A4 | Bb2 | Charismatic leader of the Newsies, big heart |
| DAVEY | 15-17 yrs | A4 | D3 | Straight-laced big brother, brains of the resistance |
| BILL | 15-19 yrs |  |  | Hearst’s son who joins the Newsies’ cause |
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| ***GIRLS*** |  |  |  |  |
| KATHERINE PLUMBER | 17-19 yrs | F5 | A3 | Ambitious reporter, quick, funny, resourceful |
| BOWERY BEAUTIES | 18-25 yrs |  |  | Medda’s theater chorus singers |
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| ***EITHER GENDER*** |  |  |  |  |
| CRUTCHIE | 13-17 yrs | A4 | C3 | Dedicated Newsies with a bum leg, goofy, sweet |
| SNYDER | 35-45 yrs |  |  | Crooked, sinister warden of The Refuge orphanage |
| LES | 9-12 yrs | Bb3 | Dd3 | Davey’s cheeky little sibling, pint-sized charmer |
| SCABS | 10-18 yrs |  |  | Three Newsies hesitant to join the strike. |
| SPOT CONLON | 15-17 yrs |  |  | Proud leader of the Brooklyn Newsies |
| DARCY | 13-18 yrs |  |  | Upper-class publisher’s kid who sides with Newsies |
| NEWSIES / DANCERS | 10-19 yrs |  |  | Albert, Buttons, Elmer, Finch, Henry, Ike, Jo Jo, Mike, Mush, Race, Romeo, Specs, Splasher, Tommy Boy, Darcy, Bill |
| NEWSIES / SINGERS | 9-19 yrs |  |  |  |
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| **ADULT** |  |  |  |  |
| ***MEN*** |  |  |  |  |
| JOSEPH PULITZER | 60-70 yrs | A4 | C3 | A pompous businessman, newspaper owner |
| WIESEL | 25-35 yrs |  |  | Ruthless distribution window supervisor |
| DELANCEY BROTHERS | 20-35 yrs |  |  | The “Weasel’s” thugs |
| SEITZ |  |  |  | Editor & advisor to Pulitzer, admires the Newsies |
| TEDDY ROOSEVELT |  |  |  | Mayor of NYC, keeps Pulitzer from ending the strike |
| NUNZIO | 25-35 yrs |  |  | Pulitzer’s barber |
| GUARD |  |  |  | Guard to Pulitzer’s building |
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| ***WOMEN*** |  |  |  |  |
| HANNAH | 25-35 yrs |  |  | Pulitzer’s practical & insightful secretary |
| MEDDA LARKING | 25-35 yrs | E5 | F3 | Vaudeville performer, loyal to the Newsies |
| NUNS | 30-50 yrs |  |  | Offer breakfast to the hungry Newsies |
| CUSTOMER |  |  |  | Buys a newspaper from the Newsies |
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| ***EITHER GENDER*** |  |  |  |  |
| BUNSEN | 25-25 yrs |  |  | Pulitzer’s bookkeeper who raises the Newsies’ prices |
| STAGE MANAGER |  |  |  | Medda’s theatre stage manager and announcer |
| PHOTOGRAPHER |  |  |  | Takes photo of the Newsies for the papes |
| JACOBI |  |  |  | Restaurant owner who lets the Newsies plan striking |

**ADULT ROLE DOUBLING POSSIBLE**

In the original Broadway production, the adult (non-newsie) ensemble comprised eight actors who doubled and understudied as indicated below.

**FEMALE ENSEMBLE 1** - Nun / Hannah / Bowery Beauty / Katherine understudy  
**FEMALE ENSEMBLE 2** - Nun / Woman / Bowery Beauty / Medda understudy  
**FEMALE ENSEMBLE 3** - Nun / Medda Larkin  
**MALE ENSEMBLE 1** - Wiesel / Stage Manager / Mr. Jacobi / Mayor / Pulitzer understudy  
**MALE ENSEMBLE 2** - Seitz / Roosevelt understudy  
**MALE ENSEMBLE 3** - Bunsen / Male Ensemble 1 understudy  
**MALE ENSEMBLE 4** - Nunzio / Guard / Policeman / Roosevelt  
**MALE ENSEMBLE 5** - Snyder / Pulitzer understudy