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Role		Age	Description
Storytellers		Grade 3+	Bold, energetic actors with natural stage presence and big, clear voices. These characters are important for setting up the world and moving the story forward. <i>Requires solo singing and advanced acting skills.</i>
Shrek		Grade 3+	Our story's title character. A big, green, terrifying ogre who lives alone on a swamp. He embarks on a journey to rid his land of fairytale creatures and, along the way, falls in love with Fiona. Begins as a grumpy hermit, but reveals his layers and eventually becomes the hero. <i>Requires strong solo singing and advanced acting skills.</i>
Donkey		Any grade	A talking donkey who joins Shrek on the run from Farquaad's guards. Sassy and confident, he yearns to belong somewhere. Feels he can be the best companion EVER to anyone who might accept him. He is energetic and overenthusiastic to the point of irritation. <i>Requires strong solo singing and advanced acting skills.</i>
Fiona		Grade 3+	The beautiful princess of Far Far Away, she transforms into an ogre every night when the sun sets. Rescued by Shrek and eventually falls in love with him. <i>Requires strong solo and harmony singing and advanced acting skills.</i>
Farquaad		Any grade	The dwarfish dictator of tiny storybook Duloc, Farquaad harbors deep resentment for his father who abandoned him. Behind his princey charm, he is pompous, self-centered and cruel. He has a smooth and charming speaking voice and tends to speak when he's angry. <i>This is also a very physically demanding role, which may require a taller actor to perform the role on their knees, including choreography. Requires solo singing and advanced acting skills.</i>
Dragon		Grade 3+	A lonely and soulful dragon that has been charged with guarding Princess Fiona in her isolated castle. She eventually falls in love with Donkey and attempts to keep him there forever. Imposing and flirtatious, but tired of her job as the glorified baby-sitter. May also double as a Duloc Dancer. <i>Requires strong solo singing and advanced acting skills.</i>


## FAIRYTALE CHARACTERS

<b>Gingy</b>		Any grade	A gingerbread man initially kidnapped by Lord Farquaad. His wit and resolution help him both avoid trouble and inspire the rest of the fairytale creatures. Has solo line in Freak Flag. <i>Requires solo singing and character acting skills.</i>
<b>Pinocchio</b>		Any grade	The leader of the fairytale creatures. He is an animated puppet whose nose grows every time he lies. Plenty of sass with a penchant for lying. Has solo lines in Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires solo singing and character acting skills including a falsetto character voice.</i>
<b>Wicked Witch</b>		Any grade	One of the Fairytale characters, has solo lines in Story of My Life. Needs to be a strong character actress with a big personality. <i>Requires solo singing and character acting skills.</i>
<b>Bear Family: Mama, Papa and Baby</b>		Any grade	Part of the Fairytale characters, they have a cute bit in Story of My Life. Mama Bear has solo lines in Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>
<b>Ugly Duckling</b>		Any grade	One of the Fairytale characters, has solo line in Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires solo singing and character acting skills.</i>
<b>Big Bad Wolf</b>		Any grade	He doesn't need to be a scary big, bad wolf type. At this point, he's a pretty wolf regulated to wearing Little Red Riding Hood's grandmother's dressing gown. Has solo line in Story of My Life. <i>Requires solo singing and character acting skills.</i>
<b>Three Pigs</b>		Any grade	Part of the Fairytale characters, they have a cute bit in Story of My Life. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>
<b>Peter Pan</b>		Any grade	One of the Fairytale characters, has solo line in Story of My Life. <i>Requires solo singing and character acting skills.</i>
<b>Dwarf</b>		Any grade	One of the Fairytale characters and in the numbers Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>


<b>Elf</b>		Any grade	One of the Fairytale characters and in the numbers Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>
<b>Tinkerbell</b>		Any grade	One of the Fairytale characters and in the numbers Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>
<b>White Rabbit</b>		Any grade	One of the Fairytale characters and in the numbers Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>
<b>Little Red Riding Hood</b>		Any grade	One of the Fairytale characters and in the numbers Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>
<b>Sugar Plum Fairy</b>		Any grade	One of the Fairytale characters and in the numbers Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>
<b>Puss in Boots</b>		Any grade	One of the Fairytale characters and in the numbers Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>
<b>Humpty Dumpty</b>		Any grade	One of the Fairytale characters and in the numbers Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>
<b>Fairy Godmother</b>		Any grade	One of the Fairytale characters and in the numbers Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>
<b>Mad Hatter</b>		Any grade	One of the Fairytale characters and in the numbers Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>

<b>Raggedy Ann and Andy</b>		Any grade	Fairytale characters in the numbers Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>
<b>Hansel and Gretel</b>		Any grade	Fairytale characters in the numbers Story of My Life and Freak Flag. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>




#### OGRE FAMILY

<b>Mama and Papa Ogre</b>		Grade 3+	Strong singers that are part of the dynamic duo that kicks off the show with a lot of energy and presence. Will double in the fairy tale chorus. <i>Must be strong singers.</i>
<b>Little Shrek</b>		Grade 1-2	A role just right for a smaller, younger performer who is very important to the storytelling. <i>No lines or solos.</i>

#### LITTLE FIONAS

<b>Young Fiona</b>		Any grade	A energetic, courageous, hopeful, slightly scared, but she clings to the belief that the prince from her storybook will rescue her. <i>Must be able to solo sing and hold harmony against Fiona and Teen Fiona.</i>
<b>Teen Fiona</b>		Grade 3 +	A lonely, dreamy tween - a bit more cynical than her younger version, who waits in a twoer for her prince. She is getting tired of the wait, but is convinced he will appear to save her. <i>Must be able to solo sing and hold harmony against Fiona and Young Fiona.</i>

#### GUARDS

<b>Captain of the Guard</b>		Grade 3 +	The perfect role for an actor with some inherent strength and authority. Should have a big, booming voice and not afraid to put all the Fairy Tale Creatures in their place. <i>Requires character acting skills.</i>
<b>Guards / Knights</b>		Grade 3 +	Lord Farquaad's guards, they answer to the Captain of the Guards and assist him in rounding up the Fairy Tale Creatures. Double as Knights, the Dragon's background singers who tried to save Fiona from the tower but were held hostage by the Dragon. <i>Must be strong singers like the Dragon .</i>
<b>Thelonius</b>		Any grade	Henchman to Lord Farquaad and possibly the executioner, he tortures Gingy by breaking his legs and dunking him in the milk. He is seen at the wedding and becomes friends with Gingy in the end.

#### CHORUS AND DANCERS

<b>Dance Chorus</b>		Any Grade	Dancers that will be used as Duloc Performers, Dragon Dancers and Knights. The rats will be cast from this chorus.
<b>Advanced Chorus</b>		Grade 3+	Villagers, Woodland Creatures
<b>Younger Chorus</b>		Grade 1-2	Mini Villagers, Dragon Flames, Woodland Frogs