

MATILDA CHARACTER DESCRIPTIONS

All characters use some form of British accent.

All ages listed are a starting point and can be flexible depending on audition turnout.

Matilda Wormwood – Female-presenting, Age: 6-10

An imaginative person who is clever and wise beyond their years. They have an unquenchable thirst for learning, and are likable and charismatic—never annoying or pretentious. Honest, unassuming, with a prankster streak and a strong sense of justice. Must be a very strong singer and actor, equally. Strong dancing skills preferred but not required.

Vocal range top: D5 Vocal range bottom: A3

Miss Agatha Trunchbull – Male-presenting, Female-presenting, or All Genders, Age: 35-55

The tyrannical headmistress at Matilda's school who despises children. Can be portrayed by a male-presenting actor in female clothing, makeup, and hair, or a female-presenting actor. A cruel, sadistic individual, but not brash; sly, conniving, and cunning. Above all, must be a strong actor with excellent physicality and characterization. Strong singer and dancer preferred.

Vocal range top: G4 Vocal range bottom: A2

Miss Jennifer Honey – Female-presenting, Age: 25-40

Matilda's kindhearted teacher, tired of living in fear under Miss Trunchbull. Sweet, honest, caring, and intelligent, Miss Honey is timid but becomes brave when standing up to bullies to protect students. Must be a lovely, strong singer and a strong enough actor to make the role compelling.

Vocal range top: D5 Vocal range bottom: F3

Mr. Wormwood – Male-presenting, Age: 35-45

Matilda's uncaring parent. A slimy, greedy used-car salesperson, unintentionally hilarious. Must be a VERY strong actor and comedian; improv and dance skills preferred. Should also be a relatively strong singer.

Vocal range top: A4 Vocal range bottom: D3

Mrs. Wormwood – Female-presenting, Age: 35-45

Matilda's self-absorbed, negligent parent and an amateur ballroom dancer. Must be a VERY strong comedic/character actor, dancer, and singer who can carry off a sizable comedic role.

Vocal range top: F5 Vocal range bottom: A3

Bruce – Male-presenting, Age: 7-14

Matilda's classmate. Bruce is punished by Miss Trunchbull. A genuine, kind person with a fondness for sweets, Bruce's spirit is broken by Trunchbull but bounces back stronger than ever. Must be a very strong actor and singer with monologues, scenes, and solos. Strong dance skills preferred.

Vocal range top: E5 Vocal range bottom: C4

Lavender – Female-presenting, Age: 7-10

Matilda's classmate and best friend. Lavender is squeaky, adorable, and makes up for a lack of intelligence with enthusiasm and friendliness. Must be a very strong actor and singer with monologues, featured scenes, and solos. Strong dance skills preferred.

Tommy, Eric, and Nigel – Male-presenting, Age: 7-14

Matilda's classmates. Each has important lines and solos, with featured dance moments as well. Strong singers, actors, and dancers required.

Amanda, Alice, and Hortensia – Female-presenting, Age: 7-14

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Michael Wormwood – Male-presenting, Age: 10-15

Matilda's slightly older sibling. A deadpan comedic character with various lines and "bits" throughout the show. Must be a strong comedic actor. Will also be a "Big Kid."

Vocal range top: E5 Vocal range bottom: C4

Ensemble – All Genders

Play the Mums and Dads in the opening number “Miracle.” These performers will also double as various adult speaking and singing roles throughout the show. They also play the big kids at the school. Strong singers, actors, and dancers required.

Doctor

The doctor who delivers Matilda.

Vocal range top: A4 Vocal range bottom: C3

Mrs. Phelps

A kindly librarian and Matilda’s friend. No solos or dance features; many lines.

The Escapologist

A character in Matilda’s story.

Vocal range top: E4 Vocal range bottom: C3

The Acrobat

A character in Matilda’s story.

Vocal range top: A4 Vocal range bottom: D4

Rudolpho

Mrs. Wormwood’s dancing partner.

Vocal range top: A4 Vocal range bottom: D#3

Competitive Dancers

Mrs. Wormwood and Rudolpho’s dancing competition.

Judge

The judge at Mrs. Wormwood and Rudolpho’s dancing tournament.

Cook

The cook at Miss Trunchbull's school.

Mechanic

A mechanic who works for Mr. Wormwood at the used-car lot.

Sergei

A Russian mob boss who Mr. Wormwood rips off.

Henchmen/Henchwomen

Sergei's Russian associates who threaten the Wormwoods.