

CHARACTER DESCRIPTIONS

Character	Description	Gender*	What they're like ...	No. of Scenes
Beth	A young girl in the midst of preparing for her Christmas program at church, in which she is the narrator.	Girl	Enthusiastic, sweet personality, expressive.	4
Dad/Baranabas/ Barney	Owner of the Camel Lot in Beth's dream and her father in real life.	Boy	Friendly, outgoing person respected by all who know him.	8
Lydia	Barnabas' assistant in the dream and in real life.	Girl	Cheerful and kind to everyone she meets.	4
Johnny/Jonathan	A pesky boy, Beth's little brother.	Boy	Full of energy, constantly getting into mischief.	6
Sarah	An assistant at the Camel Lot.	Boy	Dutiful and responsible.	2
Matthew	An assistant at the Camel Lot.	Girl	Dutiful and responsible.	3
Rich Man	A customer at the Camel Lot.	Boy	Speaks with a sophisticated voice. Part of the upper class of "bible times."	2
Rich Woman	Shops in Bethlehem and at Camel Lot.	Girl	Speaks dramatically about everything and has a sophisticated air about her.	2
Shopper Dad	Shopping with his son for a new camel.	Boy	Has one line during the song, "Have We Got a Camel for You."	1
Son	Eagerly seeking to purchase a new camel with his dad.	Boy	Has one line during the song, "Have We Got a Camel for You."	1
Gentleman	Older gentleman seeking out a new "sports camel."	Boy	Has one line during the song, "Have We Got a Camel for You."	1
Cowboy	Good-old-boy seeking a special camel.	Boy	Has one line during the song, "Have We Got a Camel for You."	1
Deborah	A shepherdess who works in the fields with her dad's sheep.	Girl	Full of joy, outgoing and excited as she describes her experience that night in the field.	1
Ruth	Works with Deborah.	Girl	Speaks with expression.	1
Jamie Sue	Has a country twang to her voice.	Girl	Cheerful, perky personality.	1
Wise Man	Speaks with authority.	Boy	Friendly and searching for reliable transportation at the Camel Lot.	1
Brittany	Friend of Beth's in the dream and also a narrator in the pageant.	Girl	Fun, cheery girl and very expressive.	3

Non-Speaking Roles:

Sign Holder, Busy people walking the streets of Bethlehem during "No Silent Night," Two girlfriends that come to Camel Lot with Brittany, Mary, Joseph, & Angel during "Away in a Manger," Shepherds (same shepherds from dream) & Angels during "Hark the Herald," Wise Men (same wise man & as many as 6 attendants as in dream), 3 train carriers, 3 gift bearers during "We Three Kings"

* Really, any of the roles may be played by a boy or a girl with only slight name and gender modifications in the script. The indications above show how we recorded them on the demonstration recording.
Many roles could be played by older youth or adults.