

A Charlie Brown Christmas

Characters

Though all the characters are children, they may be played by actors of any age. Depending on how auditions go, there is the possibility of double-casting this show with a cast of actors 18 and under as well as the cast of adults.

Charlie Brown: The main character of the Peanuts comic strip. Charlie Brown is the underdog—a loveable loser. He often ponders existential questions—deep questions about life—and wonders why others aren't bothered by those same questions. He is often ostracized by his friends, but he has great leadership qualities

Snoopy: Charlie Brown's beagle and friend of Woodstock the bird. Snoopy is well known and loved for his intelligence, alter-egos like the Red Barron, melodramatic way of blowing everything out of proportion. Snoopy is generally good-natured and happy.

Lucy: Linus's older sister. Often comes across as mean and sarcastic. Lucy is a complex character with a short temper, bossy attitude, and healthy dose of compassion. Lucy is well-known for tricking Charlie Brown with a football and acting as the brutally honest neighborhood psychiatrist (for just 5 cents). She can tend to be a complainer. Lucy likes Schroeder.

Linus: Charlie Brown's best human friend. Always accompanied by his security blanket. Younger brother of Lucy who picks on him but loves him. Linus always tries to keep the peace among his friends and can be very insightful. Linus is a character that exemplifies the idea of faith—demonstrated by his belief in the Great Pumpkin and his understanding of the deeper meaning of Christmas.

Pig Pen: Always surrounded by a cloud of dust and dirt. Pig-Pen is comfortable with himself and doesn't let the reactions of the other characters to his appearance bring him down.

Frieda: Has curly, red hair. Frieda is obsessed with her own hair—a unique trait that she values above all else. Others find her vanity annoying.

Schroeder: The musician of the group. Schroeder loves classical music and is often disgruntled by the inability of his friends to appreciate it. He is a passionate pianist and one of Charlie Brown's good friends.

Violet: A snob who likes to torment Charlie Brown. Known for her ponytail and often surly demeanor. Violet is one of Lucy's friends, though they often get into disagreements.

Sally: Charlie Brown's sister. Sally is generally fun-loving, naïve, and kind. Her outlook on life tends to be more simplistic and childlike. Creative and sentimental.

Patty: Friends with Violet and Lucy. Always wears a bow that matches her dress. Tends to be bossy and sometimes cruel.

Shermy: A close friend of Charlie Brown's. Shermy is notable for his short spikey black hair. Tends to be calm and quiet.