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Character Breakdown

Mowgli

Mowgli is a boy who gets along with everyone and who is very likable. He has a joyful and curious nature, and a twinkle in his eye.

Gender: Male

Vocal range top: D4 bottom: C3

Coconut Tree / Shanti

Shanti is the girl who takes Mowgli to the village at the end of the story. She is hiding in the jungle the entire time disguised as a Coconut Tree. She has a couple of solos as the Coconut Tree.

Vocal range top: C5

Vocal range bottom: C4

Bagheera

The role of Bagheera, the panther, is not gender-specific. Bagheera should be physically agile. Bagheera should act like an older brother or sister to Mowgli.

Gender: Both

Vocal range top: Bb3 - bottom: D3

Baloo

Baloo, the bear, is exuberant and provides much of the comedic relief in the story, with sense of comedy, crazy and physically and inhibition. Baloo's part in "I Wan'na Be Like You" demands a singer with a strong sense of rhythm.

Gender: Male

Vocal range top: D4 - bottom: C3

Kaa

Kaa, the snake, supplies threat and danger to Mowgli's journey out of the jungle. Requires flair and good vocal and movement skills to be the lead Kaa (the head of the snake) while others make up the body. Each of the actors in the scene has solo lines.

Gender: Both

Vocal range top: B3 - bottom: D3

Shere Khan

Shere Khan, the tiger, is King of the Jungle. He is the villain and the story depends on a good villain and should be physically threatening.

Gender: Male

Vocal range top: C4 - bottom: E3

Colonel Hathi

Colonel Hathi, the elephant, is in charge of the elephant brigade, drill sergeant like but is also a little forgetful. He is good at giving commands but doesn't really understand what's going on around him.

Gender: Male

Vocal range top: A3 - bottom: D3

Elephant Troupe

Gender: Both

Vocal range top: C#4 - bottom: D3

Baby Elephant

Gender: Both

Vocal range top: A3

Vocal range bottom: E3

King Louie

King Louie is King of the Monkeys. Strong comedic timing, good singing ability and flair to act like a monkey.

Gender: Male

Vocal range top: C4 - C3

Old Monkey

He or she should not be afraid to assume the physical traits of a monkey.

Gender: Both

Monkeys

Monkeys should be strong dancers for the big number "I Wan'na Be Like You"

Gender: Both

Vocal range top: D4 - bottom: C3

Jungle Chorus

The Jungle Chorus is the ensemble of singers, actors and dancers that make up the environment of the jungle, including the prickly pears, vultures, wolves, bushes, trees, etc.,

Gender: Both

Vocal range top: E4

Vocal range bottom: C3

Shanti's Family

Shanti's Family is not seen, but represented by offstage voices.

Gender: Both