



CHARACTER LIST & LINE TALLIES

The play has been written with 39 speaking parts, though this can easily be adapted for smaller or larger casts using the editable WORD script. There are also numerous moments during the show when an Egyptian Ensemble and a London Ensemble are required. These could, of course, be the same performers with minor costume changes. The speaking parts fall into four groups, into which any number of additional characters could be added. All characters could be played both by boys and girls, with names altered to suit if felt necessary.

You may wish to divide the roles of Chief Inspector Bucket, Verity and Reginald between two or more children.

Schoolies		Coppers		Ancients		Curators	
Verity Butter-Scotch	56	Chief Inspector Bucket	73	Pharaoh Kafele	40	Dottie Ogden	20
Reginald Chimley	43	Detective Sergeant Spade	25	Nafrini	17	Dr Henry Baker	18
Mrs Wold	28	PC Upton	16	Baruti	36	Nathan Stamp	13
Rocco	6	PC Assissi	13	Imhotep	23	Margaret Fitzgerald	10
Amy	3	PC Downton	8	Mukarramma	18	Elizabeth Dodds	7
Bradley	3	PC Middleton	8	Apothecarist	15		
Lizzie	2	PC Apple	7	Hasina	12	Additional	
Maria	2	PC Abbey	4	Kepi	9	Registrar	14
Mia	2	PC Coco	3	Sabaf	8		
Peter	2			Pentu	6		
Jack	1			Mummy 1*	1		
Scarlett	1			Mummy 2*	1		

*The two mummies may not say much, but they will need to be confident and expressive physical performers who can communicate effectively without speaking.

Ensemble/Non-Speaking Parts

The ensemble is a crucial part of any production, and a great way of making everyone feel included and valued. Try to use the ensemble at every opportunity, especially within the songs, and include as many children as possible, even if they already have a role in the show.