



Chitty Chitty Bang Bang

About the Show

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang was originally a family favorite film, released in 1968. The stage version was first performed on Broadway in 2005. While the story is similar, the stage version is much slicker with more comedy elements added.

The story is set In England, around 1910. Eccentric widower, Caractacus Potts works as an inventor, a job which barely supports himself, his even more eccentric father, and his two children, Jeremy and Jemima. When the children beg their father to buy for them their favourite plaything - a broken down jalopy of a car sitting at a local junkyard - Caractacus determines to do whatever he can to make the money to buy it. His first scheme involves the unexpected assistance of a pretty and wealthy young woman they have just met named Truly Scrumptious, the daughter of a candy factory owner, but when this scheme goes wrong, Caractacus eventually comes up with another plan, which gives him enough to buy the car.

Applying his inventing skills, Caractacus transforms the piece of junk into a beautiful working machine, which they name Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, due in no small way to the loud noise its engine makes. Meanwhile Baron Bomburst has decided he wants the car and assigns his two spies, Boris and Goran to steal the car and bring back to him in Vulgaria. Their hair-brained scheme to kidnap the inventor goes wrong when they kidnap Grandpa Potts instead. Determined to rescue their father/grandfather, Caractacus and the children, along with Truly, fly to Vulgaria where they find themselves in a land with no children. Baroness Bomburst hates children with a passion and sends the child-catcher to eradicate any children.

Discovering some children who have been rescued from the clutches of the child-catcher in the sewers of Vulgaria, Caractacus, Truly and the local toy-maker hatch a plan to give Vulgaria back their children while at the same time rescuing their father/grandfather.

Whilst watching the movie will give you an indication of the storyline, please keep in mind this was a movie made in 1968 and is quite antiquated in comparison to today's movie standards. Youtube has many of the Broadway stage version songs and some amateur scenes that would be a better study of the stage show.

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Role	Description
Jeremy (male & Jemima (female) Potts	Energetic children who are always up for an adventure. They do everything together, and their greatest wish is to save Chitty Chitty Bang Bang from the junkyard. These performers must work well together, acting and singing. Vocal range top Eb5, bottom C4
Caractacus Potts (male)	He is Jeremy and Jemima's father. He is an eccentric inventor who cares deeply for his children. Must be a charming charismatic leading man with good comic timing. Must be a good singer, actor, and dancer who can command the stage. Vocal range top Eb4, bottom C3
Truly Scrumptious (female)	Truly is the smart, confident, adventurous daughter of Lord Scrumptious who quickly earns the Potts family's trust. Must be a good singer, actor, and dancer who can command the stage. Vocal range top D5, bottom C4
Grandpa (male)	Grandpa is a little bit of a "nut job", but loves Jeremy, Jemima, and Potts with all his heart. Though his experience in the military drives many of his interactions, underneath all his bluster, the most important thing to Grandpa is his family. This actor must be a good singer who is not afraid to play "over the top". Vocal range top C4, bottom C3
Coggins (male or female)	Mr./Mrs Coggins owns Coggins garage and ultimately sells Chitty to Potts and the children. Coggins is funny and kind. Non-singing role.
Junkman/Child Catcher (Male or Female)	The Junkman who is mean and a bit scary wants to buy Chitty and destroy the car for junk metal. This actor will also be playing the Child Catcher who hates children and is also a bit scary. Non singing role
Baron (Male) and Baroness (Female)	These two are larger than life villains. Very good comic roles throughout the show. Must be excellent performers who can sing, dance, and act. The baron and Baroness should pair well together and not be afraid to over-act a bit. They should embody the comically inept villain, and the real threat to the Potts family. Baron vocal range top C#4, bottom D3 Baroness vocal range top D5, bottom B3

Lord Scrumptious (Male)	The all-powerful owner of the candy factory. Need strong actor for this non-singing role. May be played by the same actor as the Baron.
Miss Phillips (Female)	She is the no-nonsense assistant to Lord Scrumptious. Good character role for someone who can “take charge” of the factory. May be played by the same actor as the baroness.
Boris and Goran (Male or Female)	These two are the worst spies ever. These comical roles play off each other throughout the entire show and have some of the funniest dialogue. These are non-singing roles but should be able to do physical comedy.
The Toymaker (Male or Female)	The Toymaker has been secretly working to save children right under the Baron and Baroness’ noses. The Toymaker is compassionate, clever, and never gives up trying to help people. Vocal range top A4, bottom C#4
Morris Dancers (Male and Female)	Pulled from Ensemble: Need male and female dancers for “Me Ol’ Bamboo”. Should be good dancers and singers for this show-stopping number.
Chitty (Male and Female 4-8 actors)	Pulled from Ensemble: Chitty is the famous race car that beats the Vulgarians multiple times in the Grand Prix. This team of actors will need to sing and move together as one. Chitty has a distinct personality and a mind of its own.
Sid (Male) and Violet (Female)	Pulled from Ensemble: A married couple who try the “hair cutting machine” and are involved in a little bit of stage magic during “Me Ol’ Bamboo”.
The fair Announcer (Male or Female)	Pulled from Ensemble
The Turkey Farmer (Male or Female)	Pulled from Ensemble
Toby (Male), Marta (Female), and Greta (Female)	Pulled from Ensemble
Soldiers 1 and 2 (Male or female)	Pulled from Ensemble
Ensemble	Chefs 1, 2, and 3, additional chefs, factory workers, townspeople, dogs, soldiers, fairgoers, Vulgarians, and hidden children.