

ANNIE 2021 AUDITION & CALLBACK LINES

TALL = 57 inches and over; SHORT = 56 inches and under

TALL AND SHORT BOYS

WARBUCKS (Tycoon): *(Yelling into the phone)* When I'm not making money, nobody is! *(Inhales through his teeth)* We need a new plan... *(Inhale to continue talking but you change your mind)* *(Sighs dejectedly)* uh, you better make it tomorrow. *(Renewed hope)* Tonight, I gotta date. *(Aside to Annie)* How old are you? *(Back to the phone)* *(Sigh/chuckle)* With an eight-year-old girl.

ROOSTER (Con Man): *(Flirting)* Oops, pardon me, cutie pie *(He clicks his teeth)*. *(Gangster-like)* Hi ya, Sis. Long time no see. *(Innocently)* I just got six months off for good behavior. *(Proud)* So, ah, how-a-bout you spot me ten bucks?

DRAKE (Butler): *(Proper)* Sir, Mr. and Mrs. *(with disgust)* Mudge. *(Fake sweet)* Won't you please come in? *(Sneering)* The jig is up.

RADIO ANNOUNCER/HEALY: *(Fake)* Thanks for dropping by, Oliver Warbucks. So, Annie's parents, if you're listenin' in, there's fifty thousand dollars and a wonderful daughter waiting for you. So, get in touch right away, ya hear?

WARD (Cop): All in the line of duty, ma'am. And you! Runnin' away from such a nice lady. Don't let me catch you again.

BUNDLES (Laundry Man): *(Teasing)* Ya know what you're getting for Christmas, Aggie? *(No brainer)* Same thing I gottcha last year. *(So there!)* Nuthin!

BILLY (Homeless): *(Curious)* Hey, whattcha doin' out alone this time o' night? *(Puzzled)* Lost? How long have you been lookin' for them? *(Astonished)* Now, *that's* lost!

SANDY (Lost) Sings Tomorrow! Tomorrow! I love ya, tomorrow! You're always a day away!

TALL GIRLS

HANNIGAN (Cruel): (*Falsely sweet*) Oh, you poor punkin, out in the freezin' cold with just a thin sweater. (*Flirting*) Thank you, officer. And, uh, -come again. (*Turning viciously - behind clenched teeth*) Now, I'm gonna have your head. (*Sarcastically*) You glad to be back?

GRACE (Kind): Mr. Warbucks? (*Proudly*) I'd like you to meet – Annie. (*Sorry*) I'm sorry, sir. (*Pleading*) You just said, "orphan." (*Smitten*) So, I chose a girl. (*Motherly*) It's her first night here, sir.

LILY (Ditzy-like): (*Uneducated New Yorker*) *THE (thee)* Oliver Warbucks? The millionaire? Crummy orphan. Livin' in the lap o' luxury. It ain't fair.

SOPHIE (Tough): Optimism? Well, whata we got to be *optimistic* about? *Look* at us. Life's a *nightmare*.

BONNIE BOYLON (All Glam): The toothpaste of the stars. To make your teeth Hollywood bright!

SHORT GIRLS

ANNIE (Self-reliant. Overflowing with hope): (*Shocked*) So, I'm an orphan, after all. Just like the other kids. (*Tough*) Then, who the heck are Ralph and Shirley Mudge?

ANNIE: (*Hopeful*) Well, you gotta have a dream. (*Holding her aching head*) Traffic rattlin' overhead all night? (*surprise*) It'll wake you from your nightmares! (*No money*) Empty pockets? (*thankful*) At least you got pockets. (*shivering*) Freezin' fingers? (*cheerful*) Lucky you got them empty pockets! (*are you kidding*) Newspapers for blankets? (*great realization!*) YOU CAN READ IN BED!

THESE ORPHAN LINES ARE SAID TOGETHER BUT WITH DIFFERENT PERSONALITIES FOR EACH LINE

MOLLY (Tiny but tough): You'll stay up till this dump shines!

PEPPER (Bully): *NOW* what?

DUFFY (Adventurous): Annie, whatta ya *doin'*?

TESSIE (Worried): Oh, my goodness, oh, my goodness!

JULY (Hero) Annie, you're *crazy*. Miss Hannigan'll *catch* you.

KATE (Shy): And lock you in the cellar again.