



# Matilda the Musical Jr. Audition Sides

*Please choose the monologue for the character you're most interested in. You'll still be considered for all roles and may be asked to read another. If your preferred character isn't listed, choose any monologue!*

## Matilda:

Once upon a time, the two greatest circus performers in the world - an escapologist who could escape from any lock that was ever invented, and an acrobat who was so skilled it seemed as if she could actually fly - fell in love, and got married. They performed some of the most incredible feats together anyone has ever seen. And people would come from miles around: kings! queens! celebrities! and astronauts! And not just to see their skill, but also to see their love for each other, which was so deep that it was said that cats would purr as they passed them, and dogs would weep with joy.

## School-kids and Michael Wormwood (Bruce, Lavender, etc.):

Hide me! Someone poured a whole can of treacle onto Trunchbull's chair! She sat down and when she got up her knickers stayed stuck to the seat! Someone told her I did it but I never and now she's after me! Oh Matilda...they say she's going to put me in Chokey!

## Trunchbull, Mr. or Mrs. Wormwood:

In this world, children, there are two types of human beings. The winners and the losers. I am a winner. I play by the rules, and I win. But if I play by the rules and I...do not win, then something is wrong, something is not working. And when something is wrong, you have to put it right. Even if it screams. (pause) What are you looking at?

## Miss Honey, Mrs. Phelps (Librarian):

I'm not strong like you, Matilda. You see, my father died when I was young. Magnus was his name. He was very kind. But when he was gone, my aunt became my legal guardian. She was mean and cruel like you can hardly imagine. And then, when I got my job as a teacher, she presented me with a bill for looking after me all those years.