

CAST LIST FOR 'ONCE UPON A CHRISTMAS TIME' KS1

April

Gus

Octavia

Dec

Tick

Tock

Father Time

Mother 1

Mother 2

Mother 3

Mother 4

Spring song characters...

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Summer song characters...

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Autumn song characters...

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Winter song characters...

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Angel

Mary

Joseph

Innkeeper 1

Innkeeper 2

Innkeeper 3

Shepherd 1

Shepherd 2

Shepherd 3

Wise man 1

Wise man 2

Wise man 3

Narrators...

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A pupil or member of staff could read all the narration parts
to provide greater continuity.

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ONCE UPON A CHRISTMAS TIME - KS1 SCRIPT

(Four children are on the stage dressed in warm clothes. A Narrator is on stage and can be played by as many or as few children as needed.)

SONG 1 IT WILL SOON BE CHRISTMAS TIME. CD tracks 1/17.

Narrator 1 Octavia, Dec, April and Gus were best friends. It was Christmas Eve and their mothers had said to them -

(Four mothers to step forward, wagging their fingers at the children.)

4 Mothers Go outside and get some fresh air.

Narrator 2 So they did. *(Children walk around exploring as they go.)*

Dec Come on, lets keep going.

Gus But I'm getting cold and I want to go home for a hot chocolate.

April Don't be boring Gus, we want to explore.

Octavia Yes, let's go and see what's over here.

Narrator 3 The children picked up sticks and made a path through the bushes until they found a secret door.

Dec Look at this! I wonder where it leads?

Gus I don't know and I don't think we should find out either.

April I'm with you Gus, I don't think we should go in there.

Octavia Don't be babies, I'm going to open it!

Narrator 4 Octavia was very brave so she opened the door and went inside. She found herself in a room with lots of clocks and an old arm chair.

Octavia Hey, come and see, it's just a boring old room.

(Other children step into the room.)

Dec So many clocks.

Gus I wonder who lives here?

April And I wonder if they're home?

SONG 2 TIME KEEPS TICKING. CD tracks 2/18.

(Tick tock noises can be made at the beginning of the song and choreographed routines can be performed using children's arms as clock hands and swinging pendulums. During the song Tick & Tock come out from the grandfather clock and hide around the room.)

Narrator 5 The children didn't notice two little children appear suddenly from the clock behind them.

Dec Did you lot hear something?

Gus Sorry, that was just my tummy rumbling.

April No, I heard it too...it sounded like...

Octavia Footsteps!

(Tick and Tock jump out from behind the chair.)

Tick & Tock Tick tock, tick tock, tick tock!

Dec Hello!

April Hi!

Gus Please don't hurt us!

Octavia Who are you?

Tick Tick!

Tock Tock!

Narrator 6 Suddenly the children heard a chime and some ticking and some loud footsteps.

Father Time Tick and Tock, where are you hiding now? Oh hello!

(The children have huddled together, Gus at the back using April as a human shield.)

Octavia Hello sir. We're sorry to be in your house, we didn't know anyone was here.

Father Time Oh that's ok, why don't you stay and keep me company for a while?

SONG 3 TIME'S BEEN MOVING ON. CD tracks 3/19. (Optional song for KS1.)

Father Time I have been around since the beginning of the world and I've seen all of history - many years, many hours and many seasons.

April I love all the different seasons, but I especially love Spring.

Tick Tick!

Tock Tock!

Father Time Tick and Tock agree, they love Spring too!

Narrator 7 April explained why she loved the Spring - for the lambs and the chicks, the beautiful blossom on the trees and the longer nights.

April And I love all the chocolate at Easter!

(Tick and Tock clap their hands excitedly.)

Father Time Tick and Tock love chocolate too!

SONG 4 WHEN SPRING IS IN THE AIR. CD tracks 4/20.

(Children can come on stage and dance, dressed as flowers, chicks, etc. Tick and Tock chase the chicks, sneeze by the flowers etc.)

Father Time Oh you naughty Tick and Tock - I'm sorry children, but they get very excited around little animals! Spring is a very lovely season indeed and I can understand why you like it so much.

(Spring children leave the stage.)

Gus I quite like Spring but I REALLY like Summer.

Father Time Why is that, young Gus? Is it being by the seaside and building sandcastles?

Gus Yes I suppose.

April Is it wearing shorts and flip flops?

Gus Kind of.

Dec Is it because there's no school for 6 weeks?

Gus That's pretty cool.

Octavia I know why. It's the ice creams isn't it?

Gus Exactly! And the ice lollies, and the ice cold drinks and the BBQs!

SONG 5 IN THE SUMMER, IN THE SUMMER. CD tracks 5/21.

(Children come on dressed as butterflies and bees, others in shorts and t-shirts, they can throw a beach ball. Tick and Tock try to play but run off with the ball. The children in the song stay around at the end because they want their ball back.)

Narrator 8 Tick and Tock were rather naughty children and Father Time made them give the ball back to the children.

Father Time Say sorry Tick and Tock.

Tick Tick.

Tock Tock.

(They give the ball back and the summer children leave the stage.)

Octavia I can understand why you would like Summer but it's not as good as Autumn.

(Gus, Dec and April groan.)

Father Time Do you love Autumn because of the colourful leaves?

Octavia Yes but there's something else.

Tick Tick?

Tock Tock?

Father Time They want to know if it's because of the conkers and acorns?

Octavia Yes, but something else too.

Dec We know what it is.

April It's the new school shoes.