Male/Female	Character	Voice Range Needs	Character Discription
m	<u>Jean Valjean (Main)</u>	dramatic tenor	Prisoner 24601. After being released from imprisonment for serving nineteen years (five for stealing a loaf of bread and fourteen for multiple escape attempts), he decides to break his parole and turns his life around, proving that the corrupt can make themselves virtuous and selfless once more. He changes his identity, becoming the wealthy mayor of a small town. He later adopts Cosette, the only daughter of Fantine. At the end, he eventually dies and the spirit of Fantine thanks him for raising her child.
m	Inspector Javert (Main)	baritone or bass- baritone	Respects the law above all else and relentlessly pursues Valjean, hoping to bring the escaped convict to justice. He firmly believes that humans cannot change for the better. In the end he commits suicide.
m	The Bishop of Digne (Supporting)	baritone	Houses Valjean after his release from jail and gives him gifts of silver and absolution. His acts of kindness inspire Valjean to improve himself and escape the label of "criminal."
m	The Factory Foreman (Minor)	baritone or tenor	Foreman of Valjean's factory in Montreuil-sur-Mer which employs Fantine and other workers. The Foreman fires Fantine from the factory when she persists in resisting his overt sexual advances and because it is discovered that she is the mother of an illegitimate child (Cosette) living elsewhere.
f	Fantine (Secondary character)	mezzo-soprano	A poor worker who loses her job and becomes a prostitute in order to pay the Thénardiers for the welfare of her only illegitimate daughter. As she dies of consumption, she asks Valjean to look after her child Cosette. Ultimately she appears as a spirit and escorts the dying Valjean to Heaven.
m	Bamatabois (Minor character)	baritone or tenor	A young gentleman who tries to buy Fantine's services and is responsible for her arrest.
m	Fauchelevent (Minor character)	baritone or tenor	In a role reduced from the novel, Fauchelevent appears only in the Cart Crash scene, where he is trapped under the cart and rescued by Valjean. He is an elderly man who has fallen upon hard times.

m	Champmathieu (Minor character)	silent	A man who is arrested and on trial because he is believed to be Jean Valjean. Valjean, still under the name Madeleine, confesses his true identity at the trial in order to save the man.
g	Young Cosette (Supporting character)	<u>treble</u>	The daughter of Fantine, the eight-year-old Cosette is forced to work by the Thénardiers.
f	Madame Thénardier (Secondary <u>Lead)</u>	<u>contralto</u>	Thénardier's unscrupulous wife.
g	Young Éponine (Minor character)	silent	Eight-year-old Éponine is the pampered daughter of the Thénardiers. She grows up with Cosette and is unkind to her.
m	Thénardier (Secondary Lead)	comic baritone	A second-rate thief, Thénardier runs a small inn.
b	Gavroche (Secondary Lead)	boy soprano	Gavroche is a streetwise urchin who dies on the barricade helping the revolutionaries. He is actually the abandoned son of the Thénardiers, though this is not mentioned in the musical.
m	Enjolras (Secondary Lead)	baritone or tenor	Enjolras is the leader of the student revolutionaries and a friend of Marius.
m	Marius Pontmercy (Secondary character)	baritone or tenor	Marius, a student revolutionary, is friends with Éponine, but strongly falls romantically in love with Cosette, and she with him. He is later rescued from the barricades by Valjean, who ultimately gives Marius and Cosette his blessing, allowing them to be married.
f	Éponine (Secondary Lead)	mezzo-soprano	Daughter of the Thénardiers, Éponine, now ragged and a waif, secretly loves Marius. She is killed while returning to the barricades to see Marius. In the end she appears as a spirit and guides the dying Valjean to Heaven.
m	Brujon (Minor)	baritone or tenor	The brutish and cowardly but dissatisfied member of Thénardier's Gang, Brujon's role in the musical expands to cover Gueulemer.
m	Babet (Minor)	baritone or tenor	A foreboding member of Thénardier's Gang.
m	<u>Claquesous (Minor)</u>	baritone or tenor	Quiet and masked, expert at evading the police, Claquesous might in fact be working for the law.
m	Montparnasse (Minor)	baritone or tenor	A young member of Thénardier's Gang, Montparnasse a handsome man appears to be close to Éponine.
F	Cosette (Secondary Lead)	soprano	Cosette, the daughter of Fantine, has become beautiful under Valjean's adoptive and loving fatherly care and protection. She falls strongly in love with Marius, and he returns her equally strong and pure romantic feelings. She marries him at the end of the musical.

m	<u>Friends of the ABC</u>	baritone or tenor	Student revolutionaries who lead a revolution and die in the process, the Friends of the ABC become martyrs for the rights of citizens. (See Members listed below)
m	Combeferre (Minor)	baritone or tenor	Combeferre is the philosopher of the ABC group. Enjolras' second-in-command. He is described as the guide of the Friends of the ABC.
m	Feuilly (Minor)	baritone or tenor	Feuilly is the only member of the Friends of the ABC who is not a student; he is a workingman. An optimist who stands as a sort of ambassador for the "outside," while the rest of the men stand for France. He loves Poland very much.
m	Courfeyrac (Minor)	baritone or tenor	Friendly and open, Courfeyrac introduces Marius to the ABC society in the novel. He always has many mistresses, and is described as the centre of the Friends of the ABC, always giving off warmth.
m	Joly (Minor)	baritone or tenor	A medical student and a hypochondriac; best friends with Lesgles.
m	Grantaire (Supporting)	baritone or tenor	Grantaire is a member of the Friends of the ABC. He is the opposite of Enjolras and believes in nothing other than his fierce admiration of Enjolras. He is an alcoholic and appears drunk in most of the scenes throughout the musical. In the musical, he has the second most important role among the students, after Enjolras; and the two appear to connect during "Drink With Me."
m	Jean Prouvaire (Minor)	baritone or tenor	Prouvaire is the youngest student member of the Friends. He is a poet and embodies the Romantic Era. He affects the medieval spelling "Jehan" and grows flowers.
m	Lesgles (Minor)	baritone or tenor	Best friends with Joly. A very unlucky man, but also a very happy one.