

We are looking forward to your visit to Nottingham Playhouse. When you are here, you are going to see a play called Little Red Riding Hood. The story is about a young girl called Lil, her Granny, and a wolf she meets in the woods. Lil wants to be a woodcutter and goes on an adventure through the woods with her woodcutter kit. The play will last about 50 minutes.

When you walk into the performance space the lights will be on. There will be cushions on the floor and chairs to sit on. At the start you will meet the actors in their costumes and our stage manager.



HERE IS WHO YOU WILL MEET



JOSIE

Josie is an actor and will be playing the part of Lil. She will be singing and dancing during the play.



CAROLYN

Carolyn is an actor and will be playing the parts of Granny and Wulfrick. She will be singing and dancing in the play.



CHIP

Chip is a famous woodcutter that Lil likes. We hear his voice as a voiceover through an advert on TV, a letter he writes to Lil and when he comes to cut down the forest.



LOUISE

Louise is the Stage Manager and works on the light, video and sound.

THE STORY



- Granny welcomes everyone to Lil's birthday party. Lil arrives and opens her present from Granny. It's a Woodcutter's Kit with a torch, a rope and an axe. Lil's dream is to be a woodcutter just like her idol, Chip, who owns a woodcutting business.
- 2. Lil gets a letter from Chip saying she can't be a woodcutter because she's too young, too small and she's a girl. Lil is heartbroken and decides to return her Woodcutter's Kit to Granny.
- 3. Granny is walking home and sees a sign saying that the woods are going to be cut down. She wants to stop this, so puts a sign up warning that there are wolves in the woods.
- 4. Lil walks into the woods to find Granny's house. In the woods, she meets a wolf called Wulfrick. Wulfrick is very sad because he is hungry and lonely because he has eaten all his animal friends. Lil promises to help him get food, so that he doesn't eat any other animals.
- 6. Lil and Wulfrick arrive at Granny's house. Lil sends Wulfrick to wait by the cranberry bushes so he doesn't get hungry, while she goes into Granny's house.
- 7. Lil goes into Granny's house and says hello to Granny, but Wulfrick is in Granny's bed! Wulfrick says that he accidentally ate Granny, so Lil has to think of ways to get her out.
- 8. Lil saves Granny by using the rope from her Woodcutter Kit to pull Granny out of Wulfrick's stomach.
- 9. Granny makes a big pie to feed Wulfrick so he's no longer hungry.
- 10. Lil tells Granny about her adventure through the woods and Granny helps her realise that she should protect the forests and not be a woodcutter. Granny tells Lil that Chip and the woodcutters are coming to cut down the forest.
- 11. With Wulfrick's help, Lil stops the woodcutters by proving that there are wolves in the woods. When they see Wulfrick, Chip and his woodcutters run away scared and the forest is saved.
- 12. Lil asks Wulfrick to live in the forest, so that she can keep protecting him and the woods. With Granny's cooking to help, Wulfrick is no longer hungry, so Lil, Granny and Wulfrick can stay together forever!





INTERACTIVE TIMES IN THE SHOW

During the play, the actors will ask the audience to join in. This will include asking the audience for suggestions (for example, things you might be scared of in a forest), a moment when Lil will ask the children in the front row to help her pull a rope, and a moment when Wulfrick will come into the audience to chase away the woodcutters.

KEYWORDS IN LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD

WOLF

FORESTER OAK

WOODCUTTER STRONG

TREES PIP-SQUEAK

FOREST LONELY

SANCTUARY IDEA

HUNGRY

