

SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM AUDITION PART 1

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The villain. Greasy and greedy with a plan to rule England.

THE SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM LEAPS ON FROM STAGE LEFT. ALAN-A-DALE EXITS.

SHERIFF: Villain?

MUSIC CUE: SHERIFF STING THE SHERIFF LAUGHS.

SHERIFF: *Yes! It's me – the 'baddie'; once villains start there's no stopping 'em,
And I'm the WORST in all the wood – the Sheriff of Nottingham!*

SFX CUE: THUNDER!

SHERIFF: Ha-ha! [*Retching:*] Oh! What is that *sickening* stench? I sniff the whiff of... [*To the audience:*] peasants! Look at you all – did someone stand outside Home Bargains with a net? Ha! Was that a 'boo'? [AUDIENCE BOO] Pathetic! Never mind 'booing', you'll all soon be *bowing* when I'm the King of England! Oh yes! There'll be a switch when good King Richard returns from the crusades! I've planned a treason and I'll even squeeze in a wedding to his daughter Maid Marion! Ha-ha!
*So empty your purses plebians! It's time to pay your tariff,
Just give in, I'm bound to win!*

THE SHERWOOD SPRITE ENTERS.

SPRITE: *I don't think so Sheriff!*

SHERIFF: What?!

SPRITE: *Not – so – fast! I'm here to put things right,*

SHERIFF: *Who are you, tricky pixie?!*

SPRITE: *I'm the Sherwood Sprite!*

SEX CUE: CHOIR AAH!

SHERIFF: Sprite? I'm more of a Dr. Pepper man myself...!

SPRITE: *What's your game here, Sheriff?*

SHERIFF: *Where there's misery, I'll spread it!
I'm here for your tax, the shirt off your backs and your Universal
Credit!*

SPRITE: *That's what you think!
Deep in Sherwood Forest there's an outlaw I know could
– put a stop to your wicked ways!*

SHERIFF: *His name?!*

SPRITE: *Robin Hood!*

SHERIFF: *Pah! That feather-headed fool won't stop me...especially not in
hosiery! You've wasted enough of my valuable time.
It's bad enough I have to speak to you in rhyme! I'm off!*

SPRITE: *I was wondering what that smell was!*