



## Cast



**Narrator**



**Alice**



**Playing cards**  
(2 or 3 children)



**Queen**



**Cat**

## Non-speaking roles



**Mad Hatter**



**Duchess**



**Mad Hatter's friends**  
(2 or 3 children)



**Rabbit**



**Knave**

Work with the children to allocate characters and prepare a short performance. Discuss the stage directions in advance and make sure the children understand how to follow the script.

*(Alice finds the cat outside in a tree.)*

**Cat:**

Are you going to play croquet with the Queen?

**Alice:**

I don't know.

**Cat:**

*(smiling)* I am.

**Narrator:**

He left, but his smile stayed. It was very strange!

*(Alice finds the Mad Hatter and his friends.)*

**Narrator:**

Next, Alice found the Mad Hatter and his friends. They were drinking tea and eating cake.

Alice drank some tea with them.

*(Alice leaves the tea party and finds a tree with a door in it. Inside it, is the room with doors.)*

**Narrator:**

Then, Alice saw a tree with a door in it. When she went through the door, she was back in the room with the table. The key was still on the table.

**Alice:**

This time I know what to do.

*(Alice takes the key and eats the mushroom.)*

**Narrator:**

She took the key. Then, she took the mushroom from her pocket and ate it. She became smaller and smaller, until she could get through the little door.

*(Alice goes through the door to a garden, where the playing cards are painting some white flowers red.)*

**Alice:**

Why are you painting the flowers red?

**Playing cards:**

The Queen wants all the flowers to be red.

*(The Queen of Hearts comes past with the Duchess and the White Rabbit.)*

**Narrator:**

Soon, the Queen of Hearts came past Alice. She was with the Duchess and the White Rabbit. The Queen looked at the white flowers and then at the playing cards.

**Queen:**

Cut off their heads. Then, I want to play a game of croquet!

*(Alice plays croquet with the Queen.)*

**Narrator:**

It was a very strange game of croquet. When it was finished, only the Queen and Alice were still in the garden.

**Queen:**

Now for the trial.

*(Alice goes with the Queen to a trial.)*

**Narrator:**

The Knave of Hearts was on trial.



**Queen:** He took my tarts! Cut off his head!

**Alice:** You can't do that!

**Queen:** I can! And now I'm going to cut off your head, too!

**Alice:** No! No, no, NO!

