

Character Descriptions for THE HOBBIT

Bilbo Baggins-A small, furry-footed member from a respectable family of hobbits who, despite his best intentions of leading a quiet and peaceful life, gets swept up into a great adventure. While he initially seems reluctant towards adventure, Bilbo is always able to rise to the occasion, using his quick wit to save the day.

Gandalf- A wise and powerful wizard. Gandalf serves as guide and mentor to Bilbo and the dwarves. Gandalf is very mature with a sly and cunning sense of humor.

The Dwarves:

Thorin Oakenshield- The proud and brave warrior, and leader of the dwarves. Has a strong and forceful presence, even when he isn't sure what is best for all the dwarves.

Balin- Balin is the second in command of the dwarves. Whenever Thorin is not present, he makes the decisions. He is Dwalin's brother, and not quite as friendly.

Dwalin- Brother of Balin. Kind and friendly, but also wise and cautious. Dwalin, like his brother can lead the group when needed.

Dori- Often nervous and anxious, Dori tries to stay calm whenever possible. Brother of Nori and Ori.

Nori and Ori- Agreeable and easily persuaded, they are happy to follow the group, and devote their attention to bolstering Dori's confidence when it wavers. Brother of Dori.

Bifur and Bofur- Practical, and look to forge agreement and compromise within the group. They also love food, but not quite as much as their brother, Bombur.

Bombur-Bumbling and slow, Bombur has a soft spot for cakes and treats. Brother of Bifer and Bofur.

Kili and Fili-Twins and the youngest and most energetic of the dwarves. Have a playful nature, and always ready and eager to take on a difficult task.

Gloin-Brother of Oin. Older and gruffer than many of the dwarves. Often argues with his brother and others.

Oin- Brother of Gloin. Old and slightly grumpy. Loves to argue with his brother.

Gollum-The decrepit and lonely creature who once lived above ground but who now lives far beneath the Misty Mountains, with only "his precious"-a magic ring-to keep him company. He is bitter from his long years of exile, and is committed to his own survival, no matter what or who he must eat to live. Gollum loves riddles and is fascinated by Bilbo.

Trolls:

Bert, Tom and Essie- Short-tempered and dull-witted creatures who will eat just about anything or anyone. These characters are very outrageous and over the top.

Elven Queen- Regal and elegant, the Elven Queen is not a fan of the dwarves or Bilbo at first, but soon grows warmer. The Elven Queen is strong, commanding and beautiful.

Smaug- The great dragon who lives in the Lonely Mountain. Years ago, Smaug heard of the treasure that the dwarves had gained and he drove them away to claim the gold for himself. Smaug is absolutely evil, yet possesses a dark and sinister sense of humor, and a sharp and piercing intellect.

The Great Goblin- Leader of the Goblins, who are inherently evil. Goblins are infamous for their ability to make cruel weapons and torture devices. Beastly and intimidating, they are primal and animalistic.

Plus a small ensemble to play various Hobbits, Goblins and Elves.

All parts are open to all race, color, creed, religion, national origin, gender identity, and sexual orientation.