### **Elf** The Musical Jr

November 14-23, 2025

Fridays & Saturdays at 7:30 pm Sundays at 3:00 pm

2<sup>nd</sup> Street Stage Hannah Block Historic USO/Community Arts Center 120 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street



A title known the world over, Elf The Musical JR. is a must-produce holiday musical that can easily become an annual tradition for any theatre. Based on the cherished New Line Cinema hit, Elf JR. features songs by Tony Award-nominees, Matthew Sklar and Chad Beguelin, with a book by Tony Award-winners, Thomas Meehan and Bob Martin.

Buddy, a young orphan, mistakenly crawls into Santa's bag of gifts and is transported to the North Pole. The would-be elf is raised, unaware that he is actually a human, until his enormous size and poor toy-making abilities cause him to face the truth. With Santa's permission, Buddy embarks on a journey to New York City to find his birth father and discover his true identity. Faced with the harsh reality that his father is on the naughty list and that his half-brother doesn't even believe in Santa, Buddy is determined to win over his new family and help New York remember the true meaning of Christmas. This modern-day holiday classic is sure to make every young performer embrace his or her "inner elf" with plenty of large ensemble numbers featuring elves (and New Yorkers) of every type.

### **About the Thalian Association**

Thalian Association Community Theatre is a non-profit, membership organization that's dedicated to enhancing the rich artistic environment of the Cape Fear region. Tracing its roots back to 1788, the Thalian Association Community Theatre was founded to provide arts education and bring



the excitement of the performing arts to Wilmington, North Carolina. Today the Thalian Association Community Theatre produces five major productions annually on the Main Stage at historic Thalian Hall, offers a Youth Theatre program and professionally manages the Hannah Block Historic USO/Community Arts Center for the City of Wilmington. In 2007, the North Carolina legislature named the Thalian Association Community Theatre the Official Community Theater of North Carolina.

## **Test Your Holiday Knowledge!**

Answer the following questions to test your knowledge and see how much you already know about holidays, Christmas, and Buddy the Elf! If you don't know the answer, ask a friend, classmate, or neighbor to pool your knowledge. Try to answer all the questions using what you and others know without looking anything up first! Then check your answers on the answer key!

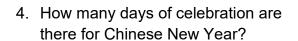
1. How many days of Christmas are there? When is the first day? When is the last day?



Elf The Musical 2010 Broadway cast. Image from Wikipedia.

2. How many nights of Hanukkah are there?

3. How many days of Ramadan are there?





Elf The Musical 2024 Broadway cast. Image from matthewsklar.com.

5. According to Buddy the Elf, what is the best way to spread Christmas Cheer?

6. According to Buddy the Elf, what are the four main food groups for elves?



A scene from *Elf The Musical*. Image from *The New York Times*.

### **Elf Math**

Solve the following problems to help the elves make enough toys in time for Christmas Eve!



Elf The Musical 2024 Broadway cast. Image from matthewsklar.com.

1. There are 500 elves working in Santa's workshop. The elves are divided equally between the doll factory, the toy car workshop, the candy shop, and the present wrapping station. How many elves work in the candy shop?

2. 3 elves each make 15 toys per day for 4 weeks before the holidays. How many total toys have they made?

3. 18 elves have to work together to make 1 big toy each day. How many elves are needed to make 270 big toys in one day?

Bonus Question: If only 18 elves were able to work on the big toys per day, how long would it take the 18 elves working together to make 100 big toys?



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4. An assembly line of 73 elves is required to build and paint 1 action figure. If Santa wanted 10 action figures to be built and painted at the same time, how many elves would he need?

5. Mrs. Claus always makes sure the elves are supplied with milk and cookies while they are working. Each elf gets 6 cookies per hour and they work for 10 hours each shift. If there are 245 elves working that shift, how many cookies will Mrs. Claus need to make for the elves have enough cookies?

# **Buddy the Elf Coloring Activity**

Bring Buddy the Elf to life with this coloring sheet! Use crayon, marker, colored pencil, or even watercolor!



## **Answer Key**

### **Test Your Holiday Knowledge!**

- 1. There are 12 days of Christmas. The first day is December 25 and the last day is January 6.
- 2. There are 8 nights of Hanukkah.
- 3. There are 29 or 30 days of Ramadan.
- 4. There are 15 days of celebration in the Chinese New Year holiday.
- 5. Buddy the Elf says "the best way to spread Christmas cheer is by singing loud for all to hear."
- 6. According to Buddy the Elf, the four main elf food groups are candy, candy canes, candy corn, and syrup.

#### **Elf Math**

- 1. 500/4 = 125
- 2.  $3 \times 15 \times 4 = 180$
- 3. 270/18 = 15

Bonus question: 18 x 100 = 1800

- 4. 73 x 10 = 730
- 5.  $6 \times 10 = 60$

60 x 245 = 14700