



***The Pirates of Penzance***  
**Audition readings & music**

**Sections for Readings:**

**Act I**

Pages 3-4: Needed Ruth, Frederic, Pirates, Pirate King, Samuel

Pages 7-8: Needed Frederic, Ruth

Page 12: Needed Kate, Edith, Isabel, Daughters

Pages 22-24: Needed Major-General Stanley, Kate, Samuel,  
Daughters, Pirate King, Pirates, Edith, Mabel

**Act II**

Pages 1-2: Needed Mabel, Frederic, Major-General Stanley

Pages 9-10: Needed Frederic, Ruth, Pirate King

Pages 12-13: Needed Frederic, Ruth, Pirate King

**Musical Numbers:**

#2 "A Little Lad" (measures 1-29) -- Ruth

#3 "O Better Far to Live and Die" (measures 10-51) -- The Pirate King

#4 "O False One" (measures 29-46) -- Ruth

#5 "Climbing over Rocky Mountain" (measures 19-59) -- Daughters (includes solos for  
Edith, Kate, and Isabel, measures 69-113)

#7 "Oh Is There Not One Maiden Breast" (measures 37-62) -- Frederic

#8 "Poor Wandering One" (measures 57-81, difficult section)-- Mabel

#13 "Modern Major-General" (measures 12-45)-- Major-General Stanley

#17 "When The Foeman Bares His Steel" (measures 15-87) -- Constables, Police Sergeant,  
Mabel, and Edith

#19 "When You Had Left Our Pirate Fold" (measures 48-59, recitative) -- Pirate King

#22 "Stay, Frederic, Stay" (measures 36-77) -- Mabel, Frederic

#24 "When A Felon's Not Engaged" (measures 1-20) -- Police Sergeant

#26 "With Cat-Like Tread" (measures 4-34 -- Pirates (with solo for Samuel - measures 35-50)