

King Rat:

Male or Female 30+

The villain of the story. A scheming bully looking to conquer London with his army of rats. Actor confident in working with/against a panto audience. Singing in character essential.

Audition Text

K. Rat **Evil laughter** Silence you fools, I am the great and powerful King Rat! the definition of evil, master of magic, doctor of demonology and high priest of prestidigitation so when I ask for silence, silence, is what I expect!

You will stay in your seats. You will not wriggle, munch or crunch and little boys remember do not go to the lavatory before the interval as I have vultures waiting to catch the early worms and you girlies, remember, sugar and spice and all things nice all will end up in a cooking pot **Laughs**

Fairy King Rat, What are you doing here? I thought my friend the Pied Piper put paid to your pernicious plans ?

K. Rat Well you thought wrong. Hamelin was a dismal place, very light on snacks but then we heard rumours of this delightful theatre. **Rubbing his hands together looking at the audience** where little girls and boys drop their sweets all over the floor, and leave their half-finished delicious fizzy drinks for us to guzzle. Now I return for revenge and I hear they are looking for a new Mayor of London. Maybe, with a few dirty tricks I can persuade those stupid Londoners to vote for me. *(Triumphant)* Then, I'll pass all kinds of laws to give rats a life of luxury and make all the little children our servants forever! **Evil laughter**

K. Rat **Evil Laughter** At my command, within my power
To over-run this midnight hour!
Hordes of rats, a plague will spread,
Then all in the town will drop down dead.
Then I will take my rightful crown,
To become Lord Mayor of London Town.

Fairy King Rat!
The time for good is now at hand
to foil your plans to rule this land.
For Dick's the champion who will win this fight,
Cool of courage, with strength of right!

K. Rat **Evil Laughter** Cool of courage, strength of right?
You'll not find one to match my might.
Thousands of rats will spread disease
From house to house, just as I please!
Of one thing I'm sure or I'll eat my hat,
Every human being is scared of a rat.

Fairy Tis true you have an evil plan
That reeks of fear to every man

But I have a challenger who cannot fail
As friendship wins and will prevail
The answer to the vilest rat,
Will be man's friend- the pussy cat!

K. Rat You can't scare me with a scratch and a hiss
 That plan you have is completely amiss
 This talk of friendship makes me sick.
 So, I'll put an end to Tom and Dick!

Audition Song

What makes you beautiful
(One Direction)

You're insecure
Don't know what for
You're turning heads when you walk through the door
Don't need make-up to cover up
Being the way that you are is enough

Everyone else in the room can see it
Everyone else but you
Baby, you light up my world like nobody else
The way that you flip your hair gets me overwhelmed
But when you smile at the ground it ain't hard to tell
You don't know, oh oh
You don't know you're beautiful
If only you saw what I can see
You'll understand why I want you so desperately
Right now I'm looking at you and I can't believe
You don't know, oh oh
You don't know you're beautiful, oh oh
That's what makes you beautiful!