

Back in Time - Competition answers

To celebrate **15 amazing years** of Rising Stars, we hid props and costumes from past productions throughout the set and songs in 'Back in Time'.

Did you spot them all - and remember which shows they originally appeared in?

One point for each item you spotted and another for naming the correct show.

ITEMS ON THE SET

Item	First used in...
Gold & purple banner	Arabian Nights (2025 version)
Palm tree flag	The Pinafore Pirates (the Flag of Paragonia)
Pink inflatable guitar	Spamalot
Spooky portrait of Chris	The Addams Family
Dog photo	Legally Blonde (Paulette's photo of her dog Rufus)
Nana's bone-shaped sign	Peter Pan - a Musical Adventure
Knitting needles	'Til the Boys Come Home (used by Alison during the song 'Knitting')
Propellor	It's a Celebration. (Half a point if you said All Over the World)
The Who House and other cutouts	Seussical
Blue and red lightsabres	BACK TO THE 80s
Excalibur sword	Spamalot
Large red flag	Les Misérables
Tommy gun	Bugsy Malone
Silver eye mask	RJ - the Rock Musical
Genie lamp	Arabian Nights (2012 version)
Showgirl cap	Bugsy Malone
Pheasant feathers	Peter Pan - a Musical Adventure
Yellow and silver Arabian skirt	All Over the World (worn during the song 'Arabian Nights')
Black and white striped T-shirt	The Addams Family (worn by Pugsley)
Wooden Chest	Treasure Island

ITEMS USED AS PROPS

Prop	First used in...
Fan flags (in 'Come Alive')	Arabian Nights (2025 version)
Bunch of old keys	Les Misérables

Rifles	Les Misérables
Group Three sign	The Evacuees
Engine driver's hat	Curtain Up (worn during the song 'Light at the End of the Tunnel')
Modern mobile phones	Thoroughly Modern Musicals (used during the song 'You Will Be Found') (Half a point if you said Here We Go Again!)
1980s mobile phone	BACK TO THE 80s
Rubik's cubes	BACK TO THE 80s
Pink jewellery box (in 'Material Girl')	Legally Blonde
Small treasure chest (in 'Material Girl')	The Addams Family (on Grandma's medicine trolley)
Golden bag of coins (in 'Material Girl')	Arabian Nights (2025 version)
Black and white panda bear (in 'On Your Way Home')	The Evacuees
Dark sunglasses (in 90s mash-up)	Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
Hand-held microphone (in 'Welcome to the Rock')	Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
Cigarette (in 'Welcome to the Rock')	The Evacuees (smoked by Violet, Vernon's mother)

COSTUMES

Costume	First used in...
Top hats	Peter Pan - a Musical Adventure (worn by Mr Darling & John Darling)
Blue satin skirts (in 'Rock Around the Clock')	Here We Go Again! (worn in the dance 'Welcome to the 60s')
Blue cardigan (in 'Summer Nights')	RJ - the Rock Musical (worn by Lady Montague)
Charleston headdresses	Bugsy Malone
1940s Evacuee costumes & hats (but not the gas mask boxes - see Red Herrings)	The Evacuees
Yellow dress (in 'Downtown')	The Addams Family (worn by Wednesday)
White lacy mob cap and pinny (in 'Step in Time')	Treasure Island
Neon orange leg warmers (in 'Dancing on the Ceiling')	BACK TO THE 80s
Orange baseball cap (in 90s mash-up)	The Pinafore Pirates (worn by the Paragonia flag-bearers)
White baseball cap with L on (in 90s mash-up)	Legally Blonde

White lab coat (in 'Welcome to the Rock')	The Rocky Monster Show
Green apron (in 'Welcome to the Rock')	RJ - the Rock Musical (worn by the Nurse)
Blue apron (in 'He Used to be Mine')	Movie & Musicals (worn in the song 'Oom-pa-pa')

BONUS POINTS

The Chaise Longue	The chaise longue has been part of WLOG's furniture long before Rising Stars was even thought of. It has been used in so many shows and covered in so many different fabrics that we cannot remember when it was first used. Two bonus points just for mentioning it.
Em Steed	Not an intentional entry, but someone put it on their answer sheet and it made us laugh. Em is a founder member and has appeared in 24 of our 28 shows, so definitely something from a past production. Back in Time was her last show as a Rising Stars cast member as she is finally too old. Two bonus points.

RED HERRINGS

(ones that lots of people got wrong)

Green sequined waistcoat	We were convinced this was worn in The Wiz, until we checked the photographs and discovered that the Wizard had actually worn a yellow and red waistcoat. However, as it was donated to Rising Stars by the family of the late Jodie Harris (who played the Wizard in The Wiz), we decided to include it in her memory.
Mop / straw broom	These props have not been used in a previous production.
Gas mask boxes & Evacuee labels	Similar to those used in The Evacuees, but made for this production.
WW2 suitcase	This suitcase is normally found full of costumes in our store. This is its first stage appearance.
Children's headdresses, bows & collars in Do-re-mi	These were made from an old curtain specifically for this production - just like in the film!
Red feather boa	This was used during rehearsals for The Addams Family, but we used a red tinsel boa for the show because it shed fewer feathers!

Thank you to everyone who took part. We hoped you enjoyed the nostalgic trip down memory lane as much as we enjoyed putting it together.

The winners will be contacted by email.

Here's to Rising Stars' next 15 years!