

# MEET MARTY & DOC



**MARTY MCFLY - TEENAGER (16/17 YEARS), WANTS TO SUCCEED AND BECOME A MUSICIAN, HILL VALLEY (1985)**

**DOC BROWN - 65-70 YEARS, SCIENTIST/INVENTOR, HILL VALLEY (1985)**

Marty McFly and Doc Emmett Brown are the main characters in **BACK TO THE FUTURE: The Musical**. Even though Doc is significantly older than Marty, they have a very special friendship. This was created and developed during the **BACK TO THE FUTURE** film trilogy and has now been translated onto the stage. Look out (and listen out) for the following in the show:

- ✓ Moments of comedy between them.
- ✓ Doc Brown's amazing facial expressions (especially when he realises that Marty's mum has fallen in love with him!).
- ✓ The musical motifs which are used in relation to Doc.

## **MARTY'S COURAGE & SELF-BELIEF**

**"YOU CAN ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING IF YOU JUST PUT YOUR MIND TO IT!"**  
**DOC BROWN, ACT 1**

Marty faces many challenges throughout the show and needs to have a huge amount of self-belief, courage, and determination to succeed. He is told by his schoolteacher, Strickland, that he's a 'slacker' and 'will never amount to anything'. However, Doc Brown helps him every step of the way and instils him with confidence.



## **DOC BROWN - THE OUTSIDER?**

### **MARTY**

“I’M LOOKING FOR DOCTOR EMMETT L. BROWN. DO YOU KNOW HIM?”

### **SAM**

“THE LUNATIC OF RIVERSIDE DRIVE? WHY WOULD YOU WANT TO SEE HIM?”

**DISCUSSION: IN WHAT WAY IS DOC SEEN AS SOMEONE LIVING OUTSIDE OF CONVENTIONAL SOCIETY? WHY ARE PEOPLE SUSPICIOUS OF HIM?**

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

### **BOB GALE TALKING ABOUT THE CHARACTER DOC BROWN:**

“WHEN THE SCRIPT WAS WRITTEN IN THE 1980s, THE AUTHORS REFERRED TO ‘DOC’ AS ‘BROWN’ AND THAT’S WHAT YOU’LL SEE HERE. IN EARLIER DRAFTS, HE WAS ORIGINALLY KNOWN AS ‘PROFESSOR BROWN’ BUT IT WAS LATER DECIDED THAT SOUNDED TOO STUFFY AND FORMAL. SO THE AUTHORS CHANGED IT TO ‘DOC BROWN’. WHEN THEY WROTE THE SEQUELS, HE IS REFERRED TO AS ‘DOC’, JUST AS HE IS IN THE BOOK.”