

## **NPAT RSC Character Information - Puck**

Puck is Oberon's servant. At the start of the play we find him showing off to another fairy about the mischievous tricks he is played on humans. Oberon asks him to find a magic flower, the juice of which is used on the eyes of a sleeping person to make them fall in love with the first living thing they see when they wake up. Oberon then asks him to put some of the juice in Demetrius' eyes but he puts it in Lysander's by mistake which causes all kinds of problems. He then transforms Bottom's head into an ass's head. Using magic, he overcasts the night and fixes all the issues. At the end of the play he talks directly to the audience in the epilogue.

Facts we learn about Puck at the start of the play:

- He is mischievous and likes playing tricks on humans.
- He is loyal to Oberon.
- He is capable of great magic of his own.

### **THINGS THEY SAY**

'I am that merry wanderer of the night.' (Puck, 2:1)

**Puck is a sprite of night-time.**

'I jest to Oberon and make him smile.' (Puck, 2:1)

**Puck acts as a jester for Oberon and makes him laugh.**

### **THINGS OTHERS SAY ABOUT THEM**

'You are that shrewd and knavish sprite call'd Robin Goodfellow.' (Fairy, 2:1)

**Puck is known as being mischievous and has a reputation.**

'My gentle Puck.' (Oberon, 2:1)

**Oberon holds Puck in high regard.**