CHIEF WOODSKUNK

Divide the group into eight smaller groups and assign each group one of the words listed below. Read the story. After each of the words is read pause for the group to make the appropriate response.

| COWBOY | "Yippee!" |
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| OLD PAINTBRUSH | (Whinny) |
| CHIEF WOODSKUNK | (Make war whoop) |
| SITTING BULL | "Hee Haw" |
| EMMA | (Rattles stones in tin) |
| TIMBER WOLF | "Howoooooo" |
| SHERIFF | "Bang, bang" |
| DEPUTY | "He went that-a-way" |

Once upon a time there was a <u>COWBOY</u> who went out into the desert, riding his horse, <u>OLD PAINTBRUSH</u>. Far off in the distance, he could hear the <u>TIMBER</u> <u>WOLF</u>. The <u>COWBOY</u> made camp and went fast asleep, first making sure <u>OLD PAINTBRUSH</u> was secure.

Now, creeping through the desert was <u>CHIEF WOODSKUNK</u> riding his mule, <u>SITTING BULL</u>. He was pursued by the <u>SHERIFF</u> and his <u>DEPUTY</u>. In his pocket, <u>CHIEF WOODSKUNK</u> had his trained rattlesnake, <u>EMMA</u>, who was trained to creep up and bit the <u>COWBOY</u> and his horse. While <u>CHIEF</u> <u>WOODSKUNK</u> crept up, <u>OLD PAINTBRUSH</u> watched the camp, the <u>TIMBER</u> <u>WOLF</u> howled, the <u>COWBOY</u> snored, and <u>SITTING BULL</u> ate cactus.

In the meantime, the <u>SHERIFF</u> and his <u>DEPUTY</u> sprang their trap. "Halt, you are my prisoner!" shouted the <u>SHERIFF</u>. The <u>COWBOY</u> woke up and mounted his horse, <u>OLD PAINTBRUSH</u>, which frightened the <u>TIMBER WOLF</u> and <u>EMMA</u>.

Away went old <u>CHIEF WOODSKUNK</u> on his faithful mule, <u>SITTING BULL</u>, and after them went the <u>SHERIFF</u>, his <u>DEPUTY</u>, the <u>COWBOY</u>, and <u>OLD</u> <u>PAINTBRUSH</u>. But old <u>CHIEF WOODSKUNK</u> led them into a blind, and that was the last anybody ever saw of the <u>COWBOY</u>, <u>OLD PAINTBRUSH</u>, <u>EMMA</u> the rattlesnake, the <u>TIMBER WOLF</u>, the mule <u>SITTING BULL</u>, the <u>SHERIFF</u>, or his <u>DEPUTY</u>.