Trust and Obey

Props: Large letters on 8 ½ x 11 sheets, TRUST AND OBEY with directions on back as to where they are to line up for each series of words. (ie: first series, U is #1, T is #2, E is #3 etc. So, the back of the first letter T should look like this;

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It would also help to have numbers on the floor 1-12 to show where they need to be, but only if they have trouble counting.)

Note: Trust and obey is the final word, therefore they are the basis for the numbering system. T-1, R-2, U-3, S-4, T-5, A-6, N-7, D-8, O-9, B-10, E-11, Y-12.

(Offstage) And, now, ladies and gentlemen, Mr. Bob Hope-ful.

Good morning ladies and welcome to the letter safari. I’m Bob Hopeful. Just flew in from heaven, and girls are my arms tired. I’d have wings, but Bing talked me out of them. Ok, before we start our journey we need to go over a few important ground rules.

1. No flash photography. We don’t want to scare the letters. One time before, someone didn’t follow this rule and the letter E went silent. No one has heard it since. Not just that, but it scared the letters Q and U so much, that now they are almost inseparable.

2. No hot water in cooking pots. We lost most of our letters to Campbell’s soup several years ago. Even though kids and most adults loved them very much, we had to put a stop to the travesty of so many innocent letters being eaten up.

3. No pens or pencils. A lot of our letters are very fragile so it doesn’t take much to alter their identity. We lost several small L’s one time because someone crossed them. They became….T’s.

4. Please, please, do not offer them Food. We have them all on a very strict diet. Its alphabet soup, but they don’t know that. Let’s keep that our secret, shall we?
5. And rule number 5 is….well now, I can’t seem to remember it right now. Maybe it will come back to me later.

Okay, we are ready to begin, Oh look, up there in the clearing. There’s a bunch of letters gathering together. You will be able to tell them apart by the different sounds they make. Let’s listen in.

(All letters start making their sound and moving around)

It looks like they are trying to form words. Okay, okay. (Letters form first sentence-UTE BRAND TOYS and pronounce) (Tour guide sneezes and letters scramble) Sorry about that. It seems I’ve startled them. Wait, they seem to be reforming again.

(Letters form second sentence-BEAD ON TRUSTY and pronounce)

I think they are trying to tell us something, but I don’t understand bead on trusty. (Tour guide sneezes / letters scramble) Sorry again. Look they are reforming.

(Letters form third sentence-STAB YOUR DENT and pronounce)

I have no idea what that means. Sometimes letters just fail to make any sense at all. (Tour guide sneezes / letters scramble)

(Letters form fourth sentence-STAND TRUE BOY and pronounce)

Stand true boy? Someone forgot to tell them there were only ladies on this tour. (Tour guide sneezes / letters scramble)

(Letters form last sentence-TRUST AND OBEY and pronounce)

Trust and obey! Oh yeah, that was the fifth rule. You must trust and obey, for there’s no other way, to be happy in Jesus, you must TRUST AND OBEY. (Tour guide sneezes loudly, letters all run off)

Sorry, I guess I’m allergic to the alphabet. So, the tour is over. You may now resume your scheduled weekend activities. Toodle-loo. (Tour guide walks off sneezing)