YOU'VE GOT TALENT

Hints for CHARADES

You may not speak! You may make other sounds such as clapping, but you can't use your voice to moo like a cow.

You may not mouth words such as "Ho, ho, ho," for Santa Claus, draw letters in the air, or anything like that!

On the nose: To say, "You guessed exactly right," touch your nose with your index finger and point to the guesser with the other.

If you point at a player without touching your nose, you're saying, "Yes, your guess is best so far." Only when a player guesses the exact word should you want to also touch your nose.

STEP #1: sign the CATEGORY

STEP #2: sign the total **NUMBER OF WORDS**

STEP #3: act out the **PHRASES**, see other side for tips

STEP #1: Sign the CATEGORY of the prompt.	
Book	Press palms of hands together, then open like a book.
Movie	Hold left hand up to eye as though looking through a spyglass and make vertical circles in air with right fist. (As if using a crank-powered movie camera).
Song	Tilt head up, open mouth, and hold out one hand, à la opera.
TV Show	Place forefingers together in front of you pointing at players, then draw a rectangle in the air the as if a television screen.
Play	While looking up, with both hands, pretend to pull on the rope to open a theater curtain.
Person	Place your hands on your hips, i.e., hold your arms akimbo.
An Event	Point to the wrist as if wearing a watch. Past event - point thumb backwards over shoulder. Future - point forefinger ahead.
Location	Point index finger at open palm.

(FLIP FOR MORE HINTS!)



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STEP #2: Clues to Your PHRASES .	
How Many Words?	Hold up that many fingers in front of you.
Which Word?	To indicate which word, count out to that word and hold up that number of fingers.
How Many Syllables?	Place that number of fingers on your forearm.
Which Syllable?	Count out to that syllable and place that number of fingers on your forearm in the same way as above.
Small Word	Hold thumb and forefinger an inch apart.
Sounds Like	Tug your earlobe.
Chop Word (Shorten)	Hold one hand out palm up and pantomime chopping.
Shorten Word	Hands, palms facing each other, with foot apart, as if demonstrating the size of the fish you caught, then move closer together.
Lengthen Word	Hold 4 tips of your thumbs and forefingers together in front of you, then pretend to stretch a rubber band horizontally.
Wrong Track	Wave your hands, palms down.
Right Track	Wave both hands toward yourself.