



THE GAME: Start the game with each team receiving the set of cues (below). Participants and class members should also have access to this sheet. One team selects a player who chooses a cue to act out the charade. The actor must convey the message through gestures and movements. Once the team guesses correctly or time runs out, play passes to the next team.

RULES: Explain the rules of the game to the students. One member of each team will act out the phrase without speaking while their teammates try to guess what it is. The actor cannot make any sounds or gestures that would give away the answer. The actor can give out the silent hints below to introduce his/her acting and assist during their acting attempt. Option: Teams have a limited time (e.g., one minute) to guess correctly.

HINTS: how many words = show number of fingers;
1st word, 2nd word, etc. = again show number. of fingers;
number of syllables = show number of fingers against open elbow;
“sounds like” = touch ear lobe.;
extract/quote from St. Mary’s letters = pretend to write with hand and wriggle hand along in the air;
an action of St. Mary = wave both your hands.

DISCUSS AND REFLECT: After the game, discuss the phrases and actions of Mary that have been demonstrated. Encourage students to reflect on the significance of these elements in their growing understanding of St. Mary MacKillop, her life and legacy.

CUES FOR ST MARY’S CHARADES:

Extracts from Mary’s Letters

1. “When I could not see my way, God kept my heart full of trust to make all come right.” <i>MMK 1874</i>	2. “With God on our side what need we fear?” <i>MMK 1890</i>	3. “Never be ashamed of work done for God and God’s poor.” <i>MMK 1874</i>	4. “Pray humbly and with confidence, and fear nothing.” <i>MMK 1883</i>
5. “When a duty is clear to be it must be done at any cost.” <i>MMK 1899</i>	6. “Reject no one. You never know what grace can do.” <i>MMK 1867</i>	7. “Ask God to make us all that we should be.” <i>MMK 1873</i>	8. “Make allowances for those who do not see as you do.” <i>MMK 1867</i>
9. “God’s love is too deep for words to express.” <i>MMK 1870</i>	10. “All will be right with time and a little patience.” <i>MMK 1873</i>	11. “We have much for which to be thankful.” <i>MMK 1873</i>	12. “May God bless and keep you strong.” <i>MMK 1875</i>

Actions of Mary

Mary teaching young people	Mary helping a destitute (poor) person	Mary being excommunicated	Mary confined to a wheelchair
----------------------------	--	---------------------------	-------------------------------