

Louie and Ralphie Ratso try to show how tough they are, but they continue to do good deeds accidentally instead. They are frustrated when their toughness is misconstrued as kindness.

As a group, play a game of telephone to see how easy it is for a message to be misunderstood.

Start by having all players sit in a circle or a straight line. The first person in the circle or line whispers a short sentence about the Ratsos into the ear of the person sitting to his or her left. Players continue to whisper the sentence they hear to their neighbor until it reaches the last person in the circle or line. The last person to receive the message says the sentence out loud so everyone can hear how much it has changed!

After you play, share what you think contributed to the message changing over the course of the game.

