

Selected Vocabulary for “If Only The Tree Could Talk” Pantomime. Selected vocabulary are in **bold**.

1. (MC Paul Rutowski) Our next presenter is Miss Deaf Texas—Sericia Jackerson who will perform a **pantomime** called “If Only This Tree Could Talk.” And here she is!
2. (Tree) Deaf Smith climbs up on me to look out. From here we can see Old **San Antonio, Cibolo Creek and Gonzales**. Observing carefully.
3. (D. Smith) I need to alert **General Houston and General Austin**.
4. (Tree) Good. Days go by. Deaf Smith and I continued our **lookout**. We **spotted** one male riding on a horse alone. Deaf Smith wondered what is up and became curious. He climbed down and chased him and then **captured** him and found a secret letter—a secret **enemy** plan!
5. (D. Smith) After I told General Houston about the secret plan, our army burnt down Gonzales then moved farther east by water. I have to go back to help fight in a big battle. It is my **duty**. Bye.
6. (Tree) He took off on his horse again. OK, bye. I waited for 2, 3, 4 months. Heard nothing. Was wondering. Then I heard the cannonballs, screaming, saw fire and smell the battle. Curious, what is happening? Finally, I spotted Deaf Smith coming my way slowly. He was also **injured, exhausted** and sick. He slowly climbed up my **branch**. Deaf Smith explained what happened.
7. (Deaf Smith) The Mexican army was angry because they had to chase us to **San Jacinto**. We **destroyed** a bridge by the water. There were 1,400 Mexican soldiers and 900 of us. We **defeated** them!
8. (Tree) OK. Goodbye! He rode off in the **distance**.
9. (Sericia) Dreaming. Whoa, wow! I just had a dream about a tree talking to me about history of Deaf Smith! He was a scout, soldier and spy but also a true hero in Texas history because he won Texas’ **independence** 176 years ago! Now, we should be glad that he was born 225 years ago. Thankfully, I can **appreciate** history now. Wait! How?