Judge: Here is a transcript of how a court proceeds.

*Terms you need to know*

**Objection:** a lawyer believes there is reason to stop the line of questioning, you can ask them to explain their reason. If valid you can:

**Overruled:** they can continue with what they are doing

Sustained: They have to stop

*Objections can come from*

-yelling

-not asking an actual question

-leading question (leading witness to answer you want to hear)

-badgering (being mean to) the witness

-Irrelevant material (off topic)

**Order in the court:** use if people are getting rowdy. You can say this and then remove people from the court if you wish.

1. The Judge will start outside the court room. The Sheriff will enter and say “All rise for the Honorable Judge \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. The Judge will take a seat. The Sheriff will then say to the audience: “You may be seated”

3. The Judge will read out the charges: “Charles you have been charged with treason, or being disloyal to the rightful government or king of England. How do you plead?”

4. Allow Charles to reply.

5. Say: Lawyers, starting with the prosecution, you are invited to give your opening speeches.

-Let the Prosecution give their speech.

-When they are done say “Defense, you may give your opening speech.”

6. After lawyers speak, ask the prosecution to call their first witness. When they are done, say to the defense lawyers “you may now cross-examine the witness.” When done, tell the witness “you may be seated.”

-Then have the prosecution call their next witness. Keep going until they have called all of their witnesses.

7. Ask the defense lawyers to call their first witness. When they are done, say to the Prosecution lawyers “you may now cross-examine the witness.” When done, tell the witness “you may be seated.”

-Then have the defense call their next witness. Keep going until they have called all of their witnesses.

8. After both sides have called and questioned their witnesses. Say “at this time, I will provide a 5 minute recess for the lawyers to create their closing statements. Please be back a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ o’clock. “ Then, bang your gavel.

9. Invite the lawyers, starting with the defense, to give their closing speeches

10. Ask the jurors to make their decision (tell them that they will get to leave the room and debate) Remind them that they may only consider information that they heard today.

-When they come back, you will read the charges again

Say: For the charge of treason, how to you find the defendant?

Ask the head juror \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to read out their decision.

10. If he is guilty, explain that you have sentenced him to death by beheading and if he is innocent, tell him he can go back home to his throne.