



# STOP, LOOK, and LISTEN!

## Cast:

**Person 1**—doesn't talk much

**Person 2**—quite chatty

## In Preparation:

**Radio Segment**—To play the radio segment mentioned in this sketch, go to [www.worldmissionbroadcast.org](http://www.worldmissionbroadcast.org), click on the Broadcasts tab, then on the Audio Clips tab. Record a segment from one of the South America programs.

**Radio**—Regular portable radio. Remove batteries, so that when it is “turned on,” no sound plays. The program that is supposedly playing will come from the public address system.

**Laptop**—Have a laptop placed on a nearby table that is on and open to the Esperanza.net Web site <[www.esperanza.net](http://www.esperanza.net)>.

**Sign**—Side One reads: “World Mission Broadcast helps people hear the Gospel via radio, television, and the Internet in 30 languages, 75 countries, 85 programs, and 1,397 broadcasts.”

Side Two has the following on it: “We have yet to reach 117 countries and 2,766 languages. Please give to the World Mission Broadcast Offering and pray for broadcast personnel.”

Sign should be preplaced by the table that has the laptop and radio on it.

*(Person 1 enters and stands by the table holding the radio. If he/she enters and waits for about 30 seconds before Person 2 enters, it will add to the humor. Person 2 enters from another location and starts to pass Person 1.)*

**Person 1:** Stop!

**Person 2:** *(stops walking)* Stop what? I'm just walking over there *(points in direction headed)* . . .

**Person 1:** *(points at laptop)* Look!

**Person 2:** Yeah, it's a laptop. What about it?

**Person 1:** *(points to portable radio)* Listen!

**Person 2:** You certainly are a person of few words. What is all of this about?

**Person 1:** Stop!

**Person 2:** I haven't gone anywhere! How can I stop? And, by the way, can you say “demanding”?

**Person 1:** Look!

**Person 2:** *(glares at Person 1, who calmly returns a look)* OK, I'll bite. *(leans toward laptop)* I'm looking at the laptop. What am I seeing? Hmm. . . [www.esperanza.net](http://www.esperanza.net). “Esperanza.net is a radio ministry which began in 2002 for the South America Region and today reaches every Latin-speaking country of the world.”

**Person 1:** *(holds out radio to Person 2)* Listen!

*(Person 2 takes the radio and turns it on. Segment from one of the programs aired in South America plays over public address system.)*

**Person 2:** Hey, is this a radio show put out by the Church of the Nazarene? That's amazing! How did you know about this? Where can I find . . .

**Person 1:** Stop!

*Look! (holds up sign, showing Side One, gives time for everyone to read it, then turns it over, and continues holding that side up until the sketch is over. Points to radio in Person 2's hand.)* Listen!

**Person 2:** *(smiles knowingly)* Aah . . .

**Person 1 and 2:** *(to audience)* Give, and pray! *(Both exit.)*

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“If we want a love message to be heard,  
it has got to be sent out. To keep a lamp burning,  
we have to keep putting oil in it.”

Mother Theresa of Calcutta