VENTRILIOQUISM BASICS:

- Most words and sounds CAN be made without moving your lips.

- The hardest sounds to produce without moving your lips are: B, F, M, P, V and W.

- To begin practicing ventriloquism simply use words that do not have those sounds in them!

- Use a different type of voice for your ventriloquial voice. (nasal, goofy, lower, falsetto, or accents are good)

- Try touching two of your back teeth together while speaking ventriloquially to stop lip movement.


- Count from 1-10 skipping 4 & 5: 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.

- Say the following sentences:
  - I like cheese.
  - How are you today?
  - The car drove down the street.
  - The dog ran across the road.
  - The sun was shining yesterday.
  - Since it was raining so hard, I used a raincoat.

- You can substitute words that begin with the hard letters with a different word that means the same thing. For example; funny = hilarious, Bible = Word of God, Money = cash, prize = award, very = really

- Read aloud using ventriloquism.

- When using your ventriloquist voice keep your mouth in a comfortable and relaxed position. Start with a smile!

- Substitutions for the difficult letters are as follows: B = D, F = eth, M = N, P = T, V = thee, W = put an H sound in front of the W to lessen the need to move lips (hwhy = why)

- Practice daily!! Use a mirror to watch your lips. Practice...Practice...etc.

VENTRILIOQUISM BOOKS

Ventriloquism Made Easy
by Paul Stadelman and Bruce Fife

Kidshow Ventriloquism
by Mark Wade

More Information to help you get started in ventriloquism:

http://www.axtell.com/vent.html
(great beginning tips, videos, and information about a wonderful on line course)

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