

The Sam & Jesse Radio Show

Week 57, Episode 5: Our Government Annoyed the Indians

0:01	Narrator	Our government annoyed the Indians.
0:10	Narrator	It's time now for another day in the life of Sam and Jesse, Gum Springs, Arkansas.
0:15		[music]
0:37	Jesse	Well, now, I'm <i>real</i> pleased that, that you two have asked for this here English lesson!
0:42	Leon	Well, now I never... Sam just- [overlap]
0:44	Sam	Hush, Leon. Now, go ahead, Jesse, learn us something.
0:47	Jesse	Well, let's take these two verbs: persecute and prosecute, for example. We've been studying this in that course I'm taking up at that college.
0:55	Sam	Can, can't we take one at a time, Jesse?
0:58	Leon	Yeah or half of one?
1:00	Jesse	Now, hush you two. This is the <i>latest</i> method of teaching. You compare two things, and, and you understand both of 'em better.
1:08	Leon	You mean, I, I could understand you better if I's to compare you to Sam, Mr. Jesse?
1:13	Jesse	Well, Leon, I don't know about that. [overlap]
1:15	Sam	Yeah, yeah, Leon. Me and Jesse is both business men and, and we- [overlap]
1:19	Jesse	Oh, me! Here I am worried about these two understanding the differences between persecute and prosecute, and the leader of the two blurts out "me and Jesse is."
1:31	Sam	Leon understands that now, Jesse, let's--go ahead and persecute us.
1:34	Jesse	<i>Persecute</i> , Sam? I was gonna teach you.
1:35	Leon	Well, I reckon we were ready, Mr. Jesse.
1:37	Jesse	Well, persecute means to attack or to annoy someone and- [overlap]
1:41	Leon	Don't we annoy you sometimes, Mr. Jesse, ain't you said that?

1:45	Jesse	Well, well, I have Leon!
1:48	Leon	Well, I'll be doggone.
1:49	Sam	Is that all that means, that big word?
1:52	Jesse	Well, yeah, Sam, that's what it means.
1:54	Sam	Well, well, why do we need it then? We know what attack means and annoy.
1:58	Leon	Yeah, like when the old scorpion was attacked by a rapid skunk.
2:02	Sam	Not, not <i>rapid</i> , Leon. <i>Rabid</i> !
2:04	Leon	Rabid?
2:06	Jesse	Now, now! You see! There's a example, a example of, of, of not knowin' the difference between words.
2:12	Sam	Well, that's right, Leon. Rabid means the skunk had rabies and, and-
2:17	Jesse	And rapid just means fast!
2:19	Leon	Well, he's pretty fast, all right! He got away while old scorpion was sitting down rubbing his eyes.
2:21	Jesse	...and this was gonna be a English lesson.
2:28		[music]
2:49	Jesse	All right, now, let me give you an example of persecution. Now, Hitler persecuted the Jews.
2:55	Leon	When was that?
2:56	Sam	Leon, that was a'for the big war.
2:57	Jesse	And the United States government persecuted the Indians in this country.
3:01	Sam	The government annoyed 'em, did it?
3:03	Jesse	Well, they, they was a little more than just annoyed, Sam!
3:07	Leon	Yeah, that's right! I, I seen on the television where the government would, wouldn't let the Indians drink no alcohol. Guess that's the reason none of them get to play sports.
3:17	Sam	Now, I'd be annoyed!

3:18	Jesse	Sam, Leon, I'm gonna explain now about prosecute. You see now...
3:22		[music starts]
4:12		[music stops]