PART TWO

SELECTIONS FOR TRANSLATION

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THE COLLOQUIAL STYLE

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SELECTION 1

Giving a final scrupulous part to his hair, he left his bedroom, and in the parlor, his mother examined him approvingly.

"Yessir! Um, the girl will be proud of her tall, handsome cake eater today" his father said, distracted from his Saturday Questioner.

"I ain't gos any girl. I'm just going to walk down to the beach and see the fellows, " Don protested.

"Old stuff!" Mr. Bryan snorted.

"Nokidding!" Don said.

"Now, Donald, do be careful, because these girls nowadays, they just are looking for husbands. And I won't stand for none of those fast, cigarette Smoking immoral girls stealing my son from me, " Mrs. Bryan said.

She disconcerted him with a kiss.

" I was young myself once, lad I know. You're going to see young girl, and don't try to kid an old duck like myself," Mr. Bryan said good - naturedly.

"No kidding, I ain't got a girl, " Don said.

"That's splendid, Donald. You listen to your mother and don't let any of these here fast living cabarelting girls get their hands on you. Yor're too young".

"No kidding... It's just that .. well , that I'm a lone wolf"

(cf. JAMES T. FARRELL, Looking'Em Over)

SELECTION 2

If you really want to hear about it, the first thing you'll probably want to is where I was born, and what my lousy childhood was like, and how my parents were occupied and all before they had me, and all that David Copperfield kind of crap, but I don't feel like going into it, if you want to know the truth. In the first place, that stuff bores me, and in the second place, my parents would have about two hemorrhages apiece if I told anything pretly personal about them. They're also touchy as hell. Besides, I'm not going to tell you my whole goddam autobiography

or anything I'll just tell you about this madman stuff that happened to me around last Christmas just before I got pretty run down and had to come out here and take it easy. I mean that's all I told D.B about, and he's my brother and all. He's in Hollywood. That isn't too far from this crumby place, and he comes over and visits me practically every weekend. He's going to drive me home practically every weekend. He's going to drive me home practically every weekend. He's going to dreve me home when I go home next month maybe. He just got a Jaguar. One of those little Einglish jobs that can do around two hundred miles an hour. It cost him damn near four thousand bucks. He's got a lot of dough, now. He didn't use to. He used to be a regular writer when he was home. He wrote this terrific book of short stories, the secret Goldfish, in case you never heard of him. The best one in it was "The Secret Goldfish." It was about this little kid that wouldn't let anybody look at his goldfish because he'd bought it with his own money. It killed me. Now he's out in Hollywood, D.B, being a prostitute. If there's one thing I hate, it's the movies. Don't even mention them to me.

(Cf. J.D. SALINGER, The Catcher in the Rye)

SELECTION 3

He was conscious of her as an exquisite thing, and when he tried to impress his personality on her he spoke as awkwardly as a country boy at his first party:

"Well, kinda hot to be working today".

"Oh yes, it is hot. You cut your own nails, last time, did'nt you".

"Ye-es, guess! must've"

" You always ought to go to a manicure".

" Yes, may be that's so. I...."

"There's nothing looks so nice as nails that are looked after good. I always think that's the best way to spot a real gent. There was an auto salesman in here yesterday that claimed you could always tell a fellow's class by the car he drove, but I said to him, " " Don't be silly," I says "The wisenheimers grab a look at a fellow's nails when they want to tell if he's a tin - horn or a reas sent."

"Yeh, may be there's something to that. Course that is with a pretty kiddy like you, a man can't help coming to get his mitts done".

"Yes, I may be a kid, but I'm a wise bird, and know nice folks when I see um - I can read character at a glance and I'd never talk so frank with a fellow if I couldn't see he was a nice fellow".

" I suppose you have a lot of fellows who try to get fresh with you".

"Say, gee, do I! Say, listen, there's some of these cigarettestore sports that thank because a girl's working in a barber shop,, they can get away with anything. The things they say! But, believe me, I know how to hop those birds".

I just give um the north and south and ask um, "Say, who you think you're talking to?" and they fade away like love's young nightmare and oh, don't you want a box of nail-paste? It wil keep the nails as shiny as when first manicured harmless to apply and lasts for days."

(Cf. SINCLAIR LEWIS, Babbitt)

NOTES

Selection 1

A final scrupulous part Rẽ lại đường ngôi một cách cẩn thận lần

chót.

The parlor Phòng khách.

Cake eater Thầng cu, đứa nhỏ (tiếng nói nựng của cha

mę)

Distracted Bị làm cho đãng trí

To see the fellows Thăm mấy thằng bạn

To protest Phản đối

Old stuff (Tiếng lóng) = ba cái lý do cũ rích! (ý nói

đây biết hết, đừng bày đặt dấu diếm)

To snort Khịt mũi thật mạnh

Nokidding đùa!

I won't stand for Me không chịu ...

Fast Phóng túng, bừa bãi

To disconcert Làm bực mình

Lad Chú nhóc, thằng con nít

To kid an old duck đánh lừa một thẳng gìa bợm

Good - naturedly Xởi nởi, vui vẻ

That's splendid Thế thì tuyệt quá

Fast - living Sống phóng túng

Cabaretting Tối ngày say sưa ngoài quán

To get one's hands on Chụp lấy, tóm lấy

A none wolf Cu ky, chả có mà nào thèm ngó

Selection 2

Lousy (tiếng lóng, phát xuất từ louse = con rận)

ấm ớ... bê bối... nhăng nhít...

To be occupied Làm việc gì

David Copperfield kind Ba cái loại kể truyện vớ vấn theo kiểu

of crap David Copperfield (D . C là tên nhật vật

chính trong một cuốn tiểu thuyết nổi tiếng

của Charles Dickens) Copperfield đóng

vai trò của một adjective.

To go into it Di sâu vào việc đó (kể lể chi tiết về đời tư

của tôi)

That stuff Lời văn kể chuyện như thế

Hemorrhages (Nghĩa đen là xuất huyết)tức học máu

mồm.

Apiece Dành cho mỗi người

Touchy Rất kỵ, rất ghét

And all Tiếng đệm kem theo (rất phổ thông trong

đặc ngự Mỹ)

As hell Thấy mẹ, bỏ mẹ

Goddam Mẹ kiếp, khốn kiếp

Autobiography Tự truyện

This madman stuff Một biến cố hết sức bê bối

I got gretty run down Tôi bi "sạc" cho một mẻ

To take it easy Tổ ra đứng đắn, đàng hoàng hơn

Crumby Hắc ám, cà chón

Job Xe hơi

To do Chạy Buck đô la

Duck do in

Terrific Hay dễ sợ

Kid Một thẳng nhóc ti

It killed me Đọc sướng muốn chết!

Prostitute Bán văn nuôi miệng

Selection 3

Exquistite Tuyệt vời, hết sức xinh đẹp

To impress his personality on Dùng cá tính của mình để gây ấn tượng

her với cô ta

Country boy Một chàng nhà quê

Kinda Phát âm của từ "kind"

Guess I must've (= I guess have) tôi nghĩ tôi đã làm việc

ấy rồi

Manicure Việc săn sóc móng tay, móng chân nói

chung.

To look after Chăm sóc

To spot a real gent Xác định một người đàng hoàng

Wisenheimers Người khôn ngoan

Tinhorn Một tên cà chớn

To come to get his mitts done den sửa cắt móng tay

A wise bird Một người không ngoạn

Nice folks Dân đàng hoàng

Um Phát âm của từ them

To read character Hiểu được bản chất

To get fresh with Dở trò tán tỉnh sàm sỡ

Cigarettestore sports Mấy tên ăn chơi chuyên lượn quanh mấy

hiệu thuốc lá

To get away with anything Dụ dỗ bằng bất cứ cái gì

To hop those birds

Tổng cổ những khứa ấy đi

To give um the north and south Làm cho chúng một trận ra trò

To fade away like love's young Xìu như bánh tránh nhứng nước

nightmare

Nail - paste Kem thoa móng tay cho bóng

Shiny Bóng

To apply Bôi (kem) vào

REMARKS

Qua bài trích dẫn trên từ ba tác giả Mỹ nổi tiếng: Jamé T. Farrell, J.D. Salinger, và Sinclair Lewis, ta rút ra nhận xét sau đây về phong cách hội thoại (colloquial style).

1. Về mặt từ vựng: Thiên về sự việc sử dụng rất nhiều tiếng lóng (slangs) hay thành ngữ (idioms).

Ví dụ: tinhorn, cigarettestore sports, wisenheimers, cake - eater, lone wolf v.v...

2. Trong một câu nói: (Utterance) thường có rất nhiều tiếng đệm theo.

Ví dụ: goddaam, damn, as hell, and all, and anything...

3. Về mặt ngữ pháp: thường các quy luật ngữ pháp thông thường không được tôn trọng. Ví dụ: I says (ngôi thứ nhất lại có s sau động từ).

There's nothing looks so nice as. (Đúng ra looks phải chuyển thành looking).

Nails that are looked after good (Good dùng như một adverb, đúng ra phải dùng well).

4. Mô phỏng theo lối phát âm thực sự của người nói.

Ví dụ: The things they saaaaasy!

I just give um the north and south.

Well, kinda hot to be working today.

SELECTION 4

"I don't know why you are trying to make me fire you, he says. "You know you could quit anytime and there wouldn't be any hard feelings between us"

"Maybe that's why I dont quit, " I says " As long as I tend to my job, that's what you are paying me for. I went on to the back and got a drink of water and went on out to the back door. Job had the cultivators all set up at last. It was quiet there, and pretty soon my head got a little easier. I could hear them singing now, and then the band played again. Well, let them get every quarter and dime in the country; it was no skin off my back. I've done what I could, a man that can live as I have and not know when to quit is a fool. Especially as it's no business of mine. If it was my own daughter now it would be different, because she wouldn't have time to she'd have to work some to feed a few invalids and idiots and niggers, because how could I have the face to bring anybody there. I've too much respect for anybody to do that. I'm a man, I can stand it, it's my own flesh and blood and I'd like to see the colour of the man's eyes they would speak disrespectful of any woman that was my friend it's these damn good women that do it I'd like to see the good, church - going woman that's half as square as Lorraine, whore or no whore. Like I say if I was to get married you'd go up like a ballon and you know it and she says I want you to be happy to have a family of your own not to slave your life away for us. But I'll be gone soon and then you can take a wife but you'll never find a woman who is worthy of you and I says yes I could".

(Cf. WILLIAM FAULKNER, The Sound and The Fury)

SELECTIONS 5

Two stout men and a lean man sit at a table by a window. The light of a zinc sky catches bright edged glints off glasses, silver ware, oystershells, eyes. George baldwin has his back to the window. Gus Mc Niel sits on his right, and Densch on his left. When the waiter leans over to take away the empty oystershells he can see through the window, beyond the graystone parapet, the tops of a few buildings jutting like the last trees at the edge of a clff and the tinfoil reaches of the harbor

litered with ships "I'm lecturing you this time, George.. Lord knows you used to lecture me enough in the old days. Homest it's rank foolishness, " Gus Mc Niel is saying "...It's rank foolishness to pass up the chance of political career at your time of life... There's no man in New York better fitted to hold office."

"Look to me as if it were your duty, Baldwin," says Densch in a deep voice, taking his tortoiseshell glasses out of a case and applying them hurriedly to his nose.

The waiter has brought a large planked steak surrounded by bulwarks of mushrooms and chopped carrots and peas and friled browned mashed potatoes. Densch, straightens his glasses and stares attentively at the planked steak.

"A very handsome dish Ben, a very handsome dish I must say.. It's just this Baldwin... as I look at it... the country is going through a dangerous period of reconstruction.. the confusion attendant on the winding up of a great conflict... the bankruptcy of a continent.. bolshevism and subversive doctrines rife.. America... " he says, cutting with the sharp polished steel knife into the thick steak, rare and well peppered. He chews a mouthful slowly. "America" he begins again "is in the position of taking over the receivership of the world. The great principles of democracy, of that commercial freedom upon which our whole civilization depends are more than ever at stake. Now as at no other time we need men of established ability and unblemished integrity in public office, particulary in the offices requiring expert judicial and legal knowledge."

(C.f. JOHN DOS PASSOS, Manhattan Transfer)

SELECTION 6

It wasn't about anything, something about making punch, and then ws started fighting and I slipped and he had me down kneeling on my chest amd choking me with both hands like was trying to kill me and all the time. I was trying to get knife out of my pocket to cut him loose.

Eveybody was too drunk to pull him off me. He was choking me and hammering my head on the floor and I got the knife out and opened it up and I cut

the muscle right across his arm and he let go of me. He couldn't have held on if he wanted to. Then he rolled and hung onto that arm and started to cry and I said:

"What the hell you want to choke me for?" I'd have killed him. I couldn't swallow for a week. He hurt my throat bad.

Well, I went out of there and there were plenty of them with him and some come out after me and I made a turn and was down by the docks and I met a fellow and he said somebody killed a man up the street. I said "Who killed him?" and he said "I don't know who killed him but he's dead all right," and it was dark and there was water standing in the street and no lights and windows borke and boats all up in the town and trees blown down and everything all blown and I had had her inside of Mango Key and she was all right only she was full of water. So I bailed her out and pumped her out and there was a moon but plenty of clovels and still plenty rough and I took it down along; and when it was daylight I was off Eastern Harbor.

(Cf. . E. HEMINGWAY, After the storm)

NOTES

Selection 4

To fire đuổi, tống cổ

To quit Rời đi, bỏ việc, nghỉ việc

Hard feelings Giận hờn, tình cảm sứt mẻ

As long as I tend to my Chừng nào tôi còn thích

Job Làm

Cultivator Máy võ đất trước khi cày cấy

To get every quarter and dime Vét xu, vét tiền (= quarter = đồng 25 xu, a

 $dime = \hat{d} \hat{o} ng 10 xu$

It was no skin off my back Cũng chẳng làm tôi sầy sứt miếng da nào.

Cũng chẳng nhằm nhò gì đối với tôi.

Invalids Người tàn tật

Idiots Bọn khủng điên

Niggers Bon da đen

To have the face Có mặt mũi nào...

Respect Tự trọng(nghĩa trong bài)

Damn good Tốt thấy mẹ

Good, church-going women Bọn đàn bà đạo đức chuyên đi lễ nhà thờ

Square Ngon lành (tướng tá hấp dẫn)

Whore đĩ, điếm

To go up like a balloon Phồng lên như trái banh lông (khoái trí)

To slave one's life away Làm như mọi cả đời

Selection 5

Stout Mập ú Lean ốm cao

A zinc sky Bầu trời đục như chì

Brightedged glínt ánh lấp lánh ở các góc (kiếng đeo mắt)

Silverware đồ bằng bạc

Oystershells Vỏ sò

Parapet Tường nằm ở góc lan can

Jutting Nhô ra

Cliff Bờ đá, đập đá

Tinfoil reaches Vùng nước lấp loáng như giấy thiếc

Littered with ships Tàu bè san sát nhau

To lecture Lên lớp, giảng bài theo kiểu đàn anh

Honest it's rank foolishness Phải nói thẳng đó là một sự ngu ngốc tột

độ

To pass up the chance Bỏ qua cơ hội

To hold office Nhậm chức, đảm nhiệm một chức vụ

Tortoise shell Gọng đồi mồi

Case Bao kiếng

To apply deo lên

Large planked steak Một tiếng bít tếch cặp chả lớn

Bulwarks of mushrooms Nấm rơm chất đầy xung quanh

Chopped carrots Cà rốt xắt mỏng

Frilled browned mashed potatoes Khoai tây nghiền màu nâu cuốn lại

Handsome dish Một món ăn trông rất ngon mắt

Reconstruction Tái tạo, xây dựng lại

The confusion attendant on Sự hỗn loạn tiếp theo là do

The winding up of a great conflict Một sự xung đột ngày càng trầm trọng

Boshevism Bôn sê vích

Subversive doctrines Những lý thuyết phá hoại

Rife Tràn ngập

Rare Tái (thịt bò)

Well peppered Cho tiêu rất vừa miệng

To take over the receivership of dược sự nhìn nhận

To be at stake đang gặp nguy khốn

Established ability Sự thanh liêm chưa hề bị hoen ố

Judicial and legal Pháp lý

Selection 6

Some thing about making punch Một chuyện cãi cọ gì đấy về cách thức

làm món rượu punch

To slip Trượt chân ngã

He had me down Hắn đè lên người tôi

To choke Bóp cổ

To cut him loose để xô hắn ra

To pull off me Lôi hắn ra khỏi người tôi

To hammer đập đầu

To open it up Bung dao ra

To let go of me Buông tôi ra

He couldn't have held on Hắn không làm sao tiếp tục (bóp cổ)

được

Hắn làm sưng cả cổ tôi He hurt my throat bad

Queo sang ngô khác To make a turn

đi dọc xuống bến tàu To be down by the docks

Hắn chết thẳng cẳng He's dead all right

There was water standing in the Có nước đọng vũng trên đường

street

Thuyền nhỏ Skiff

Kéo con thuyền ra To bail her out

Xúc nước trong thuyền đổ ra To pump her out

Still plenty rough Biển còn khá động (sau cơn bão) railieu

SELECTION 7

Jim casey waited impatiently. The story did not continue Casy gave it a good long time to come out. "Well, what's he do with that shoat?" he demanded at last, with some irritation.

"Huh? Oh!Well, he killed that shoat right there, an' he got Ma to light up the stove. He cut out pork chops an'put'em in the pan, an'he put ribs an'a leg in the oven. He et chops till the ribs was done an'he et ribs till the leg was done. An'then he tore into that leg. Cut off big hunks of her an'shoved 'em in his mouth. Us kids hung around slaverin', an' he give us some, but he wouldn't give Pa none. By an' by he et so much he throwed up an' went to sleep. While he's asleep us kids an' Pa finished off the leg. Well, when uncle John woke up in the mornin' he slaps another leg in the oven. Pa says," John, you gonna eat that whole damn pig?" an' he says."I aim to, Tom, but I'm scairt some of her spoil 'fore I get her et, hungry as I am for pork. Maybe you better get a plate an'gimme back a couple rolls of wire." Well, sir, Pa wasn't no fool. He jus' let Uncle Jonh go on an 'eat himself sick of big an' when he drove off he hadn't et much more'n half. Pa says, "Whyn't you salt her down?" But not Uncle John; when he wants pig he wants a whole pig an'when he's through, he don't want no pid hangin' around. So off he goes and Pa salts down what's left. Casy said, 'while I was still in the preachin' spirit I'd a made a lesson of that an'spoke it to you but I don't do that no more what yous' pose he done a thing like that for?' "I dunno, "said Joad. " He jus' got hungry for pork. Make me hungry jus'to think of it. I had jus' four slices of roastin'pork in four years - one slice ever' Chiristmas".

(C.f. JOHN STEINBECK, The Grapes of Wrath)

SELECTIONS 8

In fact, Ratterer, who was really very fond of Clyde by now, more because of the way he looked and inquired and listened than because of anything Clyde did or said, kept nudging him with his elbow now and then, asking laughingly, "How about it, Clyde? Going to be iniated tonight?" and then smilling broadly. Or finding Clyde quite still and thinking at times, "They won't do more than bite you, Clyde".

And Hegglund, taking his cue from Ratterer and occasionally desisting from his own self glorifying diatriber, would add: "You won't ever be de same Clyde. Dey never are.

But we'll all be wid you in case of trouble"

And Clyde, nervous and irritated, would retort: "Ah, cut it out, you two. Qui kidding. What's the use of truing to make out that you know so much more than I do?"

And Ratterer would signal Hegglund wigh his eyes to let up let up and would occasionally whisper to Clyde: "That's all right, old man, don't get sore. You know we were just fooling, that's all".

"Oh ho, and depitcher of water de girl on the second floor doused on me as I went out," called Hegglund, laughing heartily.

"And the big fat guy on the second floor that came to the door to see. Remember?" laughed Kinsella: "he thought there was a fire or a riot, I bet." "And you and that little fat girl, Piggy. 'Member Ratterer?" squealed stried, laughing and chokong as he tried to tell of it.

"And Ratteter's legs all bent under his load. Yoohoo!" yelled Hegglund "And de way de of 'em finally slidedown de steps".

(Cf. THEODORE DREISER, The American tragedy)

SELECTIONS 9

After hurrying and scurrying, much telephoning and bad language, a night session was held in Kelly's office. He had brought Danny Ward out from New York, arranged the fight for him with Billy carthey, the date was three weeks away, and for two days now, carefully concealed from the sporting writers, Carthey had been lying up, badly injured. There was no one to take his place.. And now hope had revived, though faintly.

"You're got a hell of a nerve," Kelly addressed Rivera, after one look, as soon as they got together.

"How do you know? Ever see him fight?"

Rivera shook his head.

"He can beat you up with one hand and both eyes closed".

Rivera shrugged his shoulders.

"Haven't you got anything to say? " the fight promoter snarled.

"I can lick him".

"Well, you know Roberts. He ought to be here. I've send for him."

When Roberts arrived it was patent that he was mildly drunk.

Kelly went straight to the point.

"Look here, Roberts, you've been bragging you discovered this little Mexican. You know Carthey's broke his arm. Well, this yellow streak has the gall to blow in today and say he'll take Carthey's place what about it?"

" It's all right, Kelly," Cameron the slow response.

" He can put up a fight"

"All right, "Kelly turned to his secretary. "Ring up Ward. I warned him to show up if I thought it worth while".

...Danny Ward arrived. Quite a party it was. His manager and trainer were with him. Greetings flew about, a joke here, a retort there, a smile or a laugh everybody.

"So that's the guy" said Danny, running an appraising eye over his proposed antagonist. " How do you do, old chap".

"What kindergarten did you get'm from?" asked Danny.

"He's a good little boy, Danny, "Roberts defended.

"Not as easy as he looks"

"And half the house is sold already, " Kelly pleaded.

"Then let's get down to biz"

(Cf. JACK LONDON, The Mexican)

SELECTION 10

Danny paused and calculated . "Of course, sixty five per cent of gate receipts, same as with Carthey. But the split'll be different. Eighty will just about suit me".

And to his manager, "That's right?"

The manager nodded.

"Here, you, did you get that? ". Kelly asked Rivera.

Rivera shook his head.

"Well, it's this way," Kelly expostied "You're a dub and an unknown. You and Danny split, twenty percent goin ' to you, an'eighty to Danny. That's fair , isn't it, Roberts?"

"Very fair, Rivera." Roberts agreed. "You see you ain't got a reputation yet".

"What will sixty - five percent of the gate receipts be? " Rivera demanded.

"Oh, may be five thousand, may be as high as eight thousand, "Danny broke in to explain. "Son something like that. Your share'll come to something thousand or

sixteen hundred. Pretty good for takin'a licking from a guy with my reputation. What d' ye say?".

Then Rivera took their breaths away.

"Winner takes all, " he said with finality.

A dead silece prevailed.

Danny exploded.

"Why, you dirty little greaser! I've a mind to knock your block off right now."

"Winner takes all," Rivera repeated sullenly.

"Why do you stand out that way?" Danny asked.

"I can lick you, " was the straight answer.

"Look here, you little fool, " Kelly took up the argument. "You're nobody. But Danny is class. Nobody ever heard of you out of Los Angeles."

"They will, "Rivera answered with a shrug, "after this fight."

"You think for a second you can lick me?" Danny blurted in.

Rivera nodded.

" You couldn't win from me in a thousand years," Danny assured him.

"Then what are you holding out for? "Rivera countered." If the money's that easy, why don't you go after it?"

"I will, so help me!" Danny cried with abrupt conviction. "I'll beat you to death in the ring, my boy - you monkeyin' with me this way. Make out the articles, Kelly.

" Winner takes all. I'll show this fresh kid a few."

(Cf. JACK LONDON, The Mexican).

NOTES

Selection 7

To give it a long time to come out Casy ngưng lại rất lâu mà chưa kể tiếp

Shoat Con heo (biến âm của "SOW")

Irritation Bực bội

To light up the stove Nhóm bếp, đốt lò

Pork chops Mẫu thịt heo

Ribs Sườn (heo)

Oven Bếp lò

An' Biến âm của "and"

Et Biến âm của "ate"

Big hunks of her Những miếng thịt heo to tướng

To shove 'em in his mouth Tộng chúng vào mồm

Us kids Bọn con nít chúng tôi (đúng ra là : We kids)

To slave Làm như mọi người

By an' by (= by and by) có khi

To throw up ói mửa, nôn ra cả

To finish off the keg ăn hết luôn phần còn lại của chiếc đùi heo

To slap Vồ lấy, vớ lấy

I'm scairt (= I'm scared) tôi e rằng

'fore (= before) trước khi

I get her et Tôi xực nó cho hết

To eat himself sick of pig

ăn thịt heo tới ngấy mới thôi

Whyn't (= Why didn't...)

To salt down Muối phần thịt còn lại

He' through Anh ta đã ăn rồi

The preaching sperit (= the preaching spirit) hứng lên muốn

giảng đạo

I dunno (= I don't know)

Slices of roastin' pork Những miếng sườn heo nướng

Sclection 8

To keep nudging him with his elbow Cứ lấy cùi chỏ thúc vào sườn anh

Going to be initiated to night? Tối nay phá giới hả ?(đi chơi gái)

To smile broadly Cười toe toét

They won't do more than bite you Mấy ả không ăn thịt đâu ăn cá gì cậu

đâu

To take his cue from dược sự bày đầu, bày trò của...

To desist from his own Ngừng không sử dụng những câu câu

self-glorifying diatribes chưởi có mục đích tự đề cao mình.

Wid (= with)

De (= the)

Dey (= they)

To cut it out Dep, câm mồm lại

Quit kidding! Cấm không được đùa cợt gì nứa!

To make out Khoe khoang, ra vẻ rằng

To let up Tam ngừng

Old man Bồ tèo

To get sore Chạm tự ái

To fool đùa cợt

Pitcher Bính nước

To douse Tưới nước

A fire Cháy nhà

A riot Có loạn, có giặc

I bet Tao cá như thế

To squeal Kêu éc éc như heo

To choke Mắc nghọn

Load Cái của nợ, nợ đời

To slide down the stairs Dông xuống cầu thang

Selection 9

Scurrying Chạy vạy khắp nơi

Bad language Chửi thề

Sporiting writers Nhà báo thể thao

To lie up Nằm bẹp

You've got a hell of a nerve Mày thật là gan trời! Thật là bạo phổi

To lick (= to knock out) đánh gục

To beat you up đập cho mày sụm

The fight promoter Người tổ chức trận đấu

To snarl Gầm gử

Patent Rõ ràng

Mildly drunk Hoi say

To go straight to the point di thẳng vào vấn đề

To brag Ba hoa, khoác lác

This yellow streak Thằng cà chón

The gall Can đảm, liều mạng

To blow in Nổ, nói khoác

To put up a finght đấu được đáy

To ring up Gọi điện thoại

To show up chương mặt ra

Quite a party it was Đầy đủ ban bệ, bá quan văn võ

The manager ông bầu

Greetings flew about Chào hỏi búa- xúa

Retort Đối đáp

To run an appraising eye over Lươt mắt nhìn để đánh giá

Proposed antagonist Dối thủ được đề nghị

Old chap Bố, bố già..

A good little boy Thằng nhỏ khá lắm

As easy as Ngon ăn, dễ nuốt

Half the house Phân nửa số vé

To get down tobiz

Bàn vào công việc (bix = business)

Selection 10

Gate receipts Số vé vào cửa

The split Việc ăn chia

Eighty will just about suit me Tôi phải lấy 80 phần trăm mới v

Sid you get that Anh có hiểu không?

To exposit Trình bày