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I. Stories

ACCIDENTS

1 Jason we've kept everything pretty much under
control

2 [though this year.]

3 Mike [that's right]

4 you can't wrestle around

5 or bad things will happen

6 Jason yeah, Roger got [his nose]

7 Mike [you know] what happened to my

8 one of my aunt's friends out in Iowa?

9 like when-

10 when she was younger

11 she had a headgear from braces,

12 and these two girls were wrestling around

13 just playing around, wrestling.

14 and one girl pulled her headgear off her mouth

15 and let it snap back

16 and it slid up her face

17 and stuck in her eyes

18 and blinded her.

19 Jason wow.

20 Mike isn't that horrid?

21 that's horrid

22 Jason [when my-]

23 Mike [blinded] for her life.

24 isn't that horrid.

25 that's just-

26 I mean just from goofing around

27 just from screwing-

28 a little bit of screwing around

29 and if-,

30 and another thing, it- it-

31 it's terrible the things that can happen.

32 that's why I don't like

33 people screwing around with swords

34 and trying to throw people in the showers

35 and stuff like that

36 and everything like that.

37 Jason you know what happened to my aunt Florence

38 when she was a little girl?

39 Mike ooh what happened?

40 Jason she was like screwing around

41 like around Christmas time?

42 and like she, I-

43 I guess this was like when they had candles on

44 trees?

45 she lit her hair on fire.

46 Mike oh wow.

46 Jason you met her.
47 Mike but did anything happen?
48 she get a burned head or something?
49 Jason uh I don't know
50 maybe you could shave her
51 and look for scar tissue
52 Mike oh I don't want to shave your aunt Florence's
 head.
53 does your aunt Florence have like
54 spinalbiffera or something like that?
55 Jason I don't know ...

Apt. Hunting

1 Brianne so ((laughs))
2 like one week
3 it was one day
4 it was really weird
5 we were in the weirdest mood
6 it was this rainy old day
7 Addie uh-huh
8 Brianne and we were just looking through the newspaper
9 at apartments
10 and we're like
11 "let's go look at some."
12 Addie ((laughs))
13 Brianne and we made these appointments
14 and we went-
15 we went all over the place
16 and looked at several places we had
 appointments for
17 it was fun.
18 Addie oh that's cool.
19 Brianne y'know
20 just to get some idea of what the prices are
21 and what we're looking at
22 and that kind of thing.
23 Addie that's pretty neat.

Back door

1 Toni when I was about twelve
2 in my neighborhood
3 a group of kids ran around together.
4 and one of the kids was a tomboy
5 and we never thought much about her being a
6 girl even,
7 because she did everything we did.
8 she was better at baseball and football
9 than most of the guys, you know
10 she could outrun us all.
11 uh, Kathy.
12 and one night we were out
13 and this guy that we-
14 none of us liked very much
15 sort of one of the outcast kids
16 they were-
17 he and his family were gone for the vacation
18 and for some reason
19 to be to-
20 to get back at this kid that we didn't like
21 somebody suggested that we piss through the
22 screen door
23 an- against the back door of their house
24 just to be cussed, you know
25 like "let's get at him", y'know
26 "let's"
27 and so we're there pissing
28 through the screen of this guy's back door-
29 I know this sounds stupid
30 but that's what we were doing
31 and-
32 and then one of the guys looks at Kathy and
33 says
34 "hey, I bet you can't do that."
35 and she said
36 "I bet I can."
37 and so she whips down her drawers
38 and actually does a pretty good job-
39 a better job of pissing through the screen of
40 the back door
41 than any of the guys I think
42 thought a girl could
43 and it was-
44 and here's the fi-
45 and it was my first realization
46 that girls could do that at all
 since boys think
 you know
 that girls can't do that at all
 and-

47 but it was also my first realization
48 that there was a whole bunch of stuff
49 about the way Kathy looked with her pants down
50 that was-
51 that was really quite interesting
52 and it was-
53 it's sort of-
54 it's-
55 so this is sort of a tale of sexual awakening
56 and that initial realization that uh-
57 there really is kind of a difference
58 that might-
59 that's less scary than perhaps interesting
60 you know.

Bag in Turkey

1 Jean we were laughing the other uh day at work
2 we were talking about making turkeys and stuff
3 and um Chris Jankowski said
4 well
5 one of her girlfriends one time made a turkey
6 first time
7 and she said "oh"
8 she was so proud of herself
9 she made the turkey.
10 the only thing,
11 she left the bag in.
12 she said
13 and then I said
14 "well, nobody saw it right?"
15 she said "EVERYBODY saw it."
16 I said "oh THAT WAS TERRIBLE.
17 how would anybody keep a bag in there?"
18 Mary, Mary kept watching
19 and she said
20 "I did it.
21 nobody saw it.
22 and I didn't tell anybody."
23 she said "first of all I thought-"
24 Lynn she left the bag IN?
25 All it's the giblets-
26 the turkey has all-
27 Jean with the giblets in it and stuff
28 [you know there's a bag inside, yeah?]
29 Lynn [I'VE never made a turkey,
30 I'VE never made a turkey]
31 Jean so I said
32 to Mary I said
33 "Mary, " I said
34 "didn't you know?
35 didn't you-
36 she says "I saw the thing."
37 she said, "it said "Ready to Cook" so I,"
38 she said "who-
39 nobody told me I had to CLEAN it."
40 she said "so I put it in the oven."
41 Annie who?
42 Jean this girl at work
43 Annie oh.
44 Jean she put it in
45 with all the guts and everything
46 with the bag inside and everything.
47 All ((laugh))
48 Jean she said
49 "but nobody knew it.
50 but", she said

51
52

"they ate it.
it was good."

Bakery

1 Addie does [Sheila still=]
 2 Brianne [oh-]
 3 Addie =work there?
 4 Brianne =yeah this is the latest thing
 5 [this just=]
 6 Addie [okay]
 7 Brianne happened today
 8 Addie uh-huh
 9 Brianne uhm
 10 Sheila was sick uhm
 11 last night?
 12 Addie uh-[huh]
 13 Brianne [yeah.]
 14 (1.0) she was really sick
 15 she didn't even have .. Thanksgiving dinner
 16 Addie o::[h]
 17 Brianne [she] was that sick
 18 she like-
 19 I don't know
 20 something like a stomach flu thing
 21 Addie oh dear
 22 Brianne and uhm- (2.0) so anyway
 23 she had to work today
 24 Addie mhm-mhm
 25 Brianne and obviously she wasn't feeling too hot
 26 [this morning still you know?]
 27 Addie [no I don't suppose]
 28 Brianne so uhm she didn't go
 29 and I .. don't know if she called in or had my mom call
 in [or something]
 30 Addie [uh-huh]
 31 Brianne I think my mom called in and said she was sick
 32 Addie uh-huh
 33 Brianne so uhm (1.5) anyway
 34 Tina and my mom and I went to Dubuque today
 35 Addie uh-huh
 36 Brianne and uhm- (1.5) anyway so
 37 Keith .. swore that it was Sheila in the car
 38 now Sheila heard all this through Alison
 39 'cause Alison I guess worked today
 40 Addie Hhh
 41 Brianne and uhm (1.5) sh-
 42 he swore that it was her
 43 riding in the car
 44 Addie NO WAY
 45 Brianne ((laughs)) yeah
 46 and uhm I guess he said to Alison-
 47 'cause Alison uhm-
 48 he asked her- Alison if she could stay a little later
 49 and she said 'no

50 'cause I have to go to Dubuque
51 to get some things
52 and I have to run some errands'
53 you know?
54 Addie uh-huh
55 Brianne and uhm-
56 he thought it was a scam that-
57 that Sheila was going with her
58 Addie oh NO
59 Brianne and that's why she didn't come to- in to work
60 Addie oh no
61 Brianne and so he said .. you know
62 'if I find out that- that you and Sheila were in Dubuque
63 you both are gonna be fired'
64 Addie YEAH SURE
65 go ahead and fire them, you know?
66 then you can [just work there much more Keith=]
67 Brianne [((laughs))]
68 Addie =you know?
69 you want to work forty hours a day, don't you?
70 Brianne ((laughing)) and so I guess Sheila-
71 [Sheila was so mad]
72 Addie [oh man, not to] trust your employees at all=
73 Brianne =yeah
74 Sheila said that
75 at one time when Alison uh- wa- was sick uhm
76 they called her house like six times
77 during the course of the day
78 check- to try to check up on her and see
79 Addie Hhh
80 Brianne and- and finally her s- older sister was just so:
81 frustrated
82 she just yelled at them
83 'look she's sick and she's in bed
84 what do you want?' you [know?]
85 Addie [oh] my Go::d
86 Brianne Sheila was laughing
87 she was like- she was so mad
88 she was like
89 'I just wanna go down there
90 like 'sure Keith I'll work'
91 [((laughs))]
92 Addie [and then throw up like]
93 ((laughs)) you know
94 ((laughs))
95 Brianne ((laughs)) 'and I just want to be handing a customer a
96 plate with a doughnut= ((dog starts barking))
97 Addie Yes
98 Brianne =and throw up=
99 Addie =THROW UP
100 Brianne =AND THEN say 'oh excuse me sir
101 let me get you another one' [((laughs))]

100 Addie [((laughs))] that would be great
101 (1.0) I'll be right back
102 Brianne okay
103 ((Addie leaves the room to let the dog in, then returns))
104 Addie oh God
105 Brianne ((giggles))
106 Addie oh jeez
107 Brianne and she's like
108 'if he does that do me one more time
109 I'll dump a pan of doughnuts on his head" [((laughs))]
110 Addie [((laughs))]
111 isn't that awful?
112 Brianne Yeah
113 Addie not even trust her
114 I mean, how often does Sheila call in [sick?]
115 Brianne [oh like] never
116 Addie this is probably like the [first time]
117 Brianne [the second time] maybe
118 [yeah]
119 Addie [second] time
120 (2.0) oh jeez
121 Brianne so then they called her tonight
122 (1.0) and uhm-
123 asked her to work tomorrow
124 Addie mhm-mhm
125 Brianne and she .. said yes
126 but she still doesn't feel so well
127 Addie uh-huh
128 Brianne she was so upset
129 she was so mad
130 Addie I [mean-]
131 Brianne ['cause] you know
132 she wasn't scheduled
133 they just called her up
134 and asked her to work tomorrow morning
135 Addie how often does she work now?
136 Brianne uhm- I don't even know for sure
137 [I know=]
138 Addie [uh-huh]
139 Brianne =she works on weekends [pretty much]
140 Addie [uh-huh]
141 Brianne and
142 she's gone in a few times before school
143 at five thirty [in the morning]
144 Addie [no way]
145 she [hasn't]
146 Brianne [yeah]
147 yeah
148 Addie oh my God
149 Brianne yep
150 Addie oh man

151 (1.5) first of all
152 if I were running a store
153 that sold food and [my employee=]
154 Brianne [YEAH]
155 Addie =called me and said she was sick
156 I'd have to trust her
157 and I would not want her to come [back]
158 Brianne [right]
159 Addie especially not before her next scheduled time
160 I'd want her to decide
161 you know?
162 I mean
163 I wouldn't want her hanging around my food if she's sick
164 Brianne mhm-mhm
165 Addie what kind of a health [standard is that?]
166 Brianne [he's so goofy]
167 Addie oh ma::n
168 Brianne she-
169 okay there was [this lady-]
170 Addie [isn't that] awful?
171 Brianne yeah
172 Addie oh my God
173 Brianne there is this other story too
174 this is a good one
175 Addie Oh
176 Brianne uhm .. some lady named Judy or something like that-
177 Addie Mom told me that there was a Judy that worked there
178 Brianne yeah
179 that worked
180 ha ha ha like it
181 Addie for a while
182 ha ha ha
183 Brianne yeah
184 the- uhm- she-
185 okay apparently-
186 wha- was it something like
187 (2.0) she had a hair appointment?
188 Addie uh-huh
189 Brianne I don't know
190 I don't know the whole story but-
191 I don't know she- she was late for work
192 or something like [this]
193 Addie [mhm-mhm]
194 Brianne or she'd told them in advance
195 that she had this appointment
196 and she wasn't gonna be in on time
197 I don't know
198 Addie mhm-mhm
199 Brianne but anyway
200 the deal was
201 that Astrid did not let her forget it for two weeks
202 she- she went around the store bitching about it

203 'yeah she had a hair appointment I bet'
 204 or something like 'oh-' you know
 205 'maybe I should get my hair done today'
 206 or some [snotty things like that]
 207 Addie [hhh oh my God]
 208 oh jeez=
 209 Brianne =and Sheila's like
 210 (1.5) you know
 211 she's like
 212 'I don't even want to be sick
 213 because I don't want to hear her bitch about it
 214 [for two weeks afterwards=]'
 215 Addie [oh NO:::]
 216 Brianne =you know?
 217 Addie Oh
 218 (1.5) isn't that awful?
 219 Brianne yeah
 220 I don't know if things ever change
 221 he he
 222 Addie no
 223 apparently not
 224 they are never gonna change=
 225 Brianne =never
 226 Addie she's [crazy]
 227 Brianne [people are always] gonna keep quitting
 228 Addie mhm-mhm
 229 Brianne that Laurie girl quit like a [long time=]
 230 Addie [mhm-mhm]
 231 Brianne =ago Sheila said
 232 Addie and Judy's quit too by now
 233 Brianne Judy yeah
 234 who else?
 235 Addie and- uhm .. well Cindy .. tried it
 236 she was .. [there=]
 237 Brianne [oh yeah]
 238 Addie =two different times=
 239 Brianne Yeah
 240 Addie =and left the second time too
 241 Brianne mhm-mhm
 242 Addie (1.0) mhm-mhm
 243 (1.0) oh God
 244 Brianne this is crazy
 245 Addie well .. it will never get any better
 246 (1.0) it's always gonna be the same
 247 (2.0) ma::n
 248 Brianne (2.0) that's just a case and a half
 249 Addie oh God ((laughing))
 250 Brianne now someone heard that her and Gunther were-
 251 they w-they were on the rocks [with their marriage=]
 252 Addie [oh ma::n]
 253 Brianne =or something
 254 Addie I thought they are

255 well they were before
 256 but I mean-
 257 well I mean they-
 258 I've never seen them really getting along [right]
 259 Brianne [yeah] well ((laughing))
 260 Addie (1) and after this- this bakery .. bit here
 261 [I mean-]
 262 Brianne [mhm-mhm]
 263 Addie they have not gotten any better
 264 and now they have to spend more time together
 265 Brianne hi hi
 266 Addie I mean Gunther has to work out in the front now=
 267 Brianne =Gunther? ((imitating pronunciation)) [((laughs))]
 268 Addie [Gunther]
 269 he has to work out in the front
 270 Brianne really?
 271 Addie yes
 272 because I was-
 273 oh God
 274 mom and grandma we went shopping the other day
 275 and they're like 'come [on']
 276 Brianne [grandma Kerry?]
 277 Addie no no
 278 Brianne grandma [Helen?]
 279 Addie [grandma] Helen ((laughs))
 280 Brianne ((laughs)) yeah
 281 Addie grandma Helen and mom and I went shopping
 282 and uh-
 283 then we had a snack there ((giggling))
 284 Brianne o:::h
 285 Addie it was the first time I'd been back
 286 Brianne was she there?
 287 Addie she was there and he was [there]
 288 Brianne [did she-] did she say hi to you
 289 [or something like that?]
 290 Addie [no I kind of] avoided her=
 291 Brianne =oh [well]
 292 Addie [and] she didn't see me
 293 but he was there serv- uh-
 294 Gunther was was serving
 295 Brianne did they ask you for a change? ((laughs))
 296 Addie I don't know
 297 Mom paid
 298 I'm sure they [did=]
 299 Brianne [ha ha ha]
 300 Addie =they still do it
 301 they do it
 302 Brianne that was so funny in your letter
 303 I was cracking up so hard
 304 Christina was like 'what's so funny?'
 305 I'm like 'oh I can't even tell you
 306 'cause you won't even think that was funny but-'

307 Addie ((laughing)) well which one was it?
308 when I told you about Mom and the change?=
309 Brianne =yeah
310 huh [huh huh]
311 Addie [the one] when she gave her a five dollar bill?
312 Brianne Yeah
313 [and she=]
314 Addie [and-]
315 Brianne =she promptly .. freaked=
316 Addie =and she freaked out
317 because she didn't have enough change to give her
318 mom gave her the five 'and the change
319 to go with it-' [((giggles))]
320 Brianne [((giggles))] she didn't [have enough ones or whatever]
321 Addie ['that's an awful lot of change] to give back"
((laughs))
322 oh my God
323 Brianne oh
324 what a terrible business [practice it is]
325 Addie [I know]
326 oh aren't they awful?
327 Brianne of all the things she freaks out about
328 Addie I know
329 Brianne and she doesn't freak out about that
330 Addie Oh
331 (2.0) ((laughs)) that's just the worst

Band

1 Janet and I graduated early from High School
2 to come to Monroe?
3 but I met someone
4 and I was engaged to him
5 and I put off going to Monroe in March?
6 and he was really-
7 he was really nice about wanting me to go back
to school
8 and once I went back to school
9 he broke up with me
10 and said he didn't want to marry me
11 and I_ I was going to go I June
12 and I got a ca- a sort of a
13 somewhat of a career playing my guitar?
14 somewhat professional- like
15 I guess, you know.
16 and my band had a lot of problems
17 because we had a lot of drug addiction
18 and and my drummer was going to have a baby?
19 and had to go for pregnant
20 and my lead-singer was got arrested
21 like every other day so::
22 we had to bail out of like that
23 and so I decided come back here
24 and I guess I wouldn't come back here
25 if my band wasn't going to mess up so::
26 that's why I'm here.

Baseball

1 Joel it ain't like I'm trying to y'know
2 be a proxy (?) to myself or anything like that.
3 but for y'all sports freaks out there
4 I used to play pro baseball.
5 aam what happened?
6 the reason how come I ain't out there now?
7 ((laughs)) it's funny
8 what happened ((laughing))
9 Okay
10 a guy hit a ball to center field
11 I was the center fielder
12 so I ran out there, y'know
13 trying to be all Mr. Superman
14 I ran into the wall
15 and dislocated my shoulder
16 so oh y'know
17 that's my first story
18 my second-
19 see I told you it's gonna be like thirty seconds
20 okay my second story
21 I was in the military
22 I was in Fort Bragg in Georgia
23 I was in the infantry
24 I was going to Bosnia
25 yeah, ahm
26 what happened ahm
27 I had broken my knee I two places
28 how I did that?
29 I was doing PT ((physical training))
30 and I was walking it-
31 I was walking it off instead of stopping y'know
32 all of a sudden
33 you turn around y'know
34 so I was walking off the run
35 and I was walking it off in the grass
36 and the drill instructor said "fall in."
37 and I turned around
38 but my knee stayed in one spot
39 and I was over that next corner, y'know.
40 and I broke my knee
41 torn y'know two places
42 I still got stress fractures in it.
43 this is like a year and a half ago
44 ahm I tore a muscle in my leg
45 and it broke my kneecap
46 ((pause))
47 good day?
48 ((laughter))

Basketball

1 Audrey my Junior Year I didn't play
 2 and I'd always- I felt
 3 I felt like I'd just go to the practice
 4 just to help them out-
 5 Lana right.
 6 Audrey but uhm
 7 so when I really could look down the the bench
 8 I'd never want him to look at me
 9 because I knew that he'd put me in.
 10 Lana yeah.
 11 Audrey and I never wanted to go in because
 12 like I was-
 13 you're playing against these girls
 14 that are like are awesome
 15 and if you don't-
 16 if you're not used to playing them
 17 Lana right
 18 Audrey you like y-
 19 it's hard to like get into it
 20 all right?
 21 Lana right.
 22 Audrey so, ha I looked down the bench
 23 and he like looked at me
 24 and I'm like "oh no."
 25 and he goes "okay go in for Erin Potters"
 26 and there's only a minute left
 27 and so that's even humiliating at that.
 28 Lana ((laughing)) oh
 29 I know exactly what you mean.
 30 Audrey ((laughing))so so I went I wnet in
 31 and I had the ball
 32 and I just like turned around
 33 and I shot it-
 34 didn't even look
 35 and it like hit off the backboard so hard
 36 it was so bad
 37 like it
 38 I could just like like-
 39 it was just so embarrassing.
 40 Lana oh Audrey.
 41 Audrey but um I know like
 42 it all just paid off
 43 Because my Senior Year
 44 I'd never done so well in anything
 45 and I got a lot of offers to play at schools
 46 and-
 47 Lana and you decided not to?
 48 Audrey no because, my
 49 like my whole
 50 I don't know why

51 but my whole life was geared to like college
52 I could not wait to go to college
53 and to go to a small college.
54 Lana right, right, right.

Basketball Referee

1 Chad some parents take it offensive though
 2 and- and- ah th-
 3 like this past weekend
 4 this tis ONE coach
 5 I called a flagrant foul
 6 on his fifth and sixth grade team
 7 three weekends ago.
 8 Wayne flagrant P F.
 9 Chad flagrant was-
 10 okay this was the situation
 11 there is a kid
 12 dribbling down the court
 13 and he has a wide-open lay-up
 14 his- his- the kid on his team
 15 was right behind him, okay?
 16 Wayne uh-huh.
 17 Chad and my instinct
 18 when I'm an official I always say
 19 "let'em go::" you know
 20 lay off them
 21 so that they don't do something stupid you know:
 22 hit them in the back and hurt them.
 23 I always say just let['em go.]
 24 Wayne [you can talk] to them during the game?
 25 Chad I just pull the whistle on them.
 26 I just yell at them.
 27 the official can say anything
 28 no one hears it except-
 29 you know, the players.
 30 I'm like let'em go, let'em go.
 31 well this KID trips over his own two feet.
 32 Wayne ((laughs))
 33 Chad and as he's falling
 34 he grabs onto the back pf the player holding
 35 uh carrying the ball.
 36 and he pulls down his jersey
 37 and pulls him down
 38 and I was like "whoa:, all right"
 39 I had a decision to make
 40 obviously it was-
 41 it wasn't with the intent to hurt him:
 42 because he tripped.
 43 but then again
 44 he DID obstruct him from getting a wide-open lay-up
 45 so I ju-
 46 I was like "well, you know"
 47 I called the flagrant
 48 which is the arms crossed
 49 if you want to call a flagrant with aggression
 50 with the intent to hurt

51 you have the army crossed
 52 then you've got to SWING them down
 53 like really really hard.
 54 Wayne ((sniffs))
 55 Chad then you know it's like
 56 that was a really serious foul
 57 and that's a technical
 58 and you can get kicked out of the game
 59 for doing something like that
 60 Wayne m-hm
 61 Chad I just called the simple flagrant
 62 the coach went NUTS
 63 he went nuts
 64 so this passed weekend I'm officiating this game
 65 Wayne uh-huh
 66 Chad not- not- not even close
 67 to the same situation
 68 I officiate the entire game
 69 everything went so smoothly
 70 he didn't say two words to me other than, you know
 71 he warned me about one of his players almost getting hur
 72 I'm like "whatever"
 73 you know you just-
 74 you blow it off.
 75 you completely look through him
 76 you say thank you sir, you know
 77 I'll look into that
 78 and you walk away.
 79 well, at the end of the game
 80 he came up to me
 81 and his exact words were
 82 I don't know if I should BLEEP this out or anything
 83 George nuh.
 84 Chad the exact words were
 85 he came- he came up to me and said
 86 "you mother fucker
 87 you're holding a grudge from three weeks ago."
 88 and I'm just sitting, you know
 89 and I'm like "oh my god."
 90 right?
 91 and my first reaction was to say to him, you know
 92 something very sarcastic about his mother?
 93 considering he brought that into effect?
 94 George mhm
 95 Wayne ((laughs))
 96 Chad but I thought
 97 this guy paid money to be in this tournament
 98 and I said
 99 "sir, I'm in college,
 100 I can't reMEMber three weeks ago
 101 and [I walked away]
 102 Wayne [(((laughs)))]

103 Wayne and ((laugh for 2 seconds))
George
104 Chad that's what I said to him
105 [and I walked away.]
106 Wayne [that's funny.]
107 Chad and he went STRAIGHT to my coach
108 and said "this tournament's this and that
109 and da da da da da.
110 yadda yadda yadda
111 and my coach just LAUGHED
112 when he heard what I said?
113 Wayne ((laughs))
114 Chad ((laughing)) just laughed
115 he came up to me
116 he was like
117 "that was GREAT"
118 ((laughs)) I was like "well, you know."
119 that guy was such a jerk
120 Wayne that's good
121 Chad oh I hate thatguy.

Behind the wheel

1 Peter well, you kind of mentioned uh anxiety
2 it brings to mind um
3 back in high school
4 you know everybody goes through sophomore year
5 where you have to go out
6 and do the driving behind the wheel
7 and uh I remember I
8 we had uh three different parts that you went
to
9 a classroom uh
10 a little trailer out back
11 where you drive on these old-
12 they weren't even video games
13 there was like a
14 a cable attached to this car
15 and you maneuver it within this window
16 and then you got behind the wheel
17 and uh I remember being assigned to a car
18 for behind the wheel
19 with uh-
20 there was three of us and the instructor
21 and I don't even remember what the third's
person name was
22 but the second person-
23 I remember her name was Kate
24 because I sat all through freshman bio right
behind her
25 and you know, tried to catch her attention
26 but of course she was way above
27 and uh I remember I was uh:
28 first time we went behind the wheel-
29 the other two girls went first
30 and then it was my turn
31 and the instructor was kind of a gruff
32 and he would smile
33 and just basically kind of punch commands to
you
34 you know like "buckle up!" you know
35 all these kind of things
36 real quick
37 and I listened to him
38 so I you know
39 did all these things
40 and he says
41 "okay, you got everything?"
42 and I say yeah
43 he says "okay, release the brake"
44 now I reached down
45 and pulled it
46 and all of a sudden the hood pops up

((chuckles))
47 and then I looked at him
48 and he looked at me
49 and he just laughed
50 I mean that man laughed-
51 I kid you not
52 for ten minutes till we got back to school
53 and he couldn't stop
54 the girls were getting embarrassed
55 for me being embarrassed
56 and he finally said
57 "yeah, why don't you get out
58 and shut the hood now."
59 I don't-
60 I always remember that one. ((chuckles))
61 never impressed her.
62 never did.

Borrowed Book

1 Penny I borrowed a book from him
2 Nancy uh-huh
3 Penny for my friend.
4 she's going to write a book on Burma
5 a children's book
6 Nancy uh-huh
7 Penny so I borrowed one book of his
8 and then uh
9 when she returned it she said
10 "oh, he's got all these remarks
11 horse shit, this is horse shit."
12 Nancy and ((laugh))
Leona
13 Nancy in a children's book?
14 Penny no no
15 it's a history book
16 where he's writing all his remarks as he was reading
17 "this is horse shit."
18 and she said
19 "I'm going to change my impression of him
20 of these people."
21 Nancy and ((laugh))
Leona

Cake

1 Yvonne I found this recipe
 2 has zero fat in it
 3 Tom wow.
 4 Sybil wow.
 5 Yvonne it's probably no good
 6 Tom it looks good
 7 looks moist
 8 and juicy cool and fresh
 9 Sybil moist and crispy
 10 Tom crispy.
 11 no it's not [crispy.]
 12 Sybil [we were] trying to define-
 13 Tom was that just [last night?]
 14 Sybil [some aspects] of healthy food
 15 Tom no it was not
 16 well, yeah it was
 17 [I was just, I was in the mood for]
 18 Sybil [you wanted something fresh and crispy]
 19 but then you realized
 20 it wasn't just fresh and crispy
 21 because that could have been crackers
 22 it was moist and crispy like an anpple
 23 Tom right
 24 Lester yep.
 25 Tom but- but don't crackers seem kind of stale and
 [crispy?]
 26 Lester [yes, they do]
 27 at night especially.
 28 Sybil so you wanted an apple
 29 and then ah-
 30 Lester yep.
 31 Tom o- or like a tomato or some lettuce
 32 [I would have been happy with some lettuce]
 33 Sybil [which wouldn't have been crispy]
 34 a tomato wouldn't be crispy though
 35 Tom no.
 36 Sybil so maybe moist and fresh are the two characteristics
 37 Tom yeah, right
 38 but crispy was what I was more in the mood for
 39 [actually]
 40 Lester [crackers] are a noontime thing
 41 not a nightttime thing
 42 Tom no
 43 Yvonne [excuse me?]
 44 Tom [but crisp] and fresh and juicy
 45 Lester mmhmm
 46 Tom and moist
 47 those are all nightttime things
 48 Lester yep.
 49 Tom like an apple

50 Lester we- well
51 not always
52 Tom no.
53 so- sometimes yes.
54 Lester sometimes it has to be something else, yeah.
55 Tom salty and hot and fatty
56 Lester that's right
57 Tom yeah.
58 Yvonne that's the best
59 Sybil ((laughs))
60 Yvonne anytime anywhere
61 Lester piece of pie
62 Sybil hmm hmm hmm.
63 Yvonne [that's not too bad]
64 Lester [with a lot of]
65 lot of a:h syrup in it
66 Tom ((laughing)) like a: cherry pie
67 Lester exactly.
68 Tom right.
69 Yvonne oh did I tell you
70 Dick said that he gave me that
71 Tom oh by the way sorry
72 Yvonne my boss had a bag of:
73 I think they're like mini-rice cakes
74 Sybil [oh yeah.]
75 Yvonne [and he said] have- [have]
76 Lester piece of cardboard
77 Yvonne have a-
78 oh that's what it was
79 "an apple flavored piece of cardboard."
80 Sybil oh ho ho ((sadly))
81 Yvonne and .. they were pretty bad.
82 Tom yeah
83 Yvonne they were not even really apple flavored
84 Lester ((laughs))
85 Yvonne plus they were I don't know
86 so hard to chew
87 Sybil m-mhm
88 Yvonne [anyway]
89 Tom [Sybil] had some of those mini rice cakes
90 Sybil yeah I had some of them
91 I had like honey-nut rice [cakes]
92 Tom [yeah]
93 and ah actually
94 hers were really good
95 when you put uh
96 some butter and honey on them
97 Lester yeah ((laughing))
98 Yvonne yeah ((laughing)) yeah
99 Sybil yeah
100 that's what you did with them wasn't it?
101 Tom yeah

102 actually those were really good
103 with butter and honey on them
104 they were little [crackers]
105 Yvonne [did you] defeat the purpose? ((laughing))
106 Tom well, the purpose was
107 maybe at the time just a medium
108 Yvonne ((laughs))
109 Tom so uhm uh
110 so I don't actually have to just uh
111 dif my hands into honey and butter
112 and
113 Sybil and just eat it off your fist
114 Yvonne it's so funny though
115 what was that theory you guys had?
116 Lester, if it
117 if it tastes bad
118 it's good for you
119 Sybil well yeah.
120 well no.
121 Yvonne ((laughs))
122 Lester that's right
123 Tom if it tastes good
124 it's bad for you
125 is a [better thing to say.]
126 Yvonne [yeah. ((laughing))]
127 Lester you can do that both ways.
128 Tom mmmmmm
129 Sybil either way
130 Lester things that are good-
131 Tom I've had bad tasting things
132 that are bad for me
133 Yvonne for example
134 Sybil well like y'know
135 some sort of ah rancid meat
136 Tom right
137 sewage
138 Sybil that would taste bad
139 AND would be bad for you
140 Tom yeah.
141 yeah.
142 Sybil sewage, animal waste
143 Lester No no no no no
144 now you're not using common sense
145 things that you would put in your mouth
146 Sybil ah, okay
147 Tom all right.
148 Sybil well there's some things
149 that are good for you
150 that taste good though
151 like apples, [fruit.]
152 Tom [yeah.]
153 Lester all right.

154 Tomm ((laughing)) well, all right
155 Sybil zucchini
156 Tom when did we have zucchini in
157 just the other day?
158 Sybil recently
159 not the other day
160 a week or so ago.
161 Tom yeah.
162 Yvonne by itself though
163 zucchini is not-
164 did you have it with something?
165 Sybil m-hm
166 little bit of butter
167 and some parmesan cheese.
168 Tom oh, right
169 Lester yeah ((laughing))
170 yeah.
171 Yvonne see?
172 Sybil but not much really though
173 I mean
174 we were really tasting the zucchini.
175 Tom m-hm
176 Lester yeah.
177 Yvonne that was the flavor
178 Sybil [and ah-]
179 Tom [and she] steamed it.
180 Yvonne oh
181 Sybil yeah it was steamed
182 and just really
183 a tiny bit of fat-free butter
184 Tom m-hm
185 Sybil and a tiny sprinkling
186 of fat-free parmesan cheese
187 Tom m-hm
188 Yvonne yeah parmesan cheese is-
189 Sybil and ah-
190 Tom ((receives coffee)) thanks.
191 Sybil I was-
192 Tom is this sweetened coffee?
193 Yvonne pardon?
194 Sybil it's that the flavored coffee
195 that you gave them for Christmas?
196 Tom what flavor is that?
197 Yvonne here Sybil
198 have you ever used these? ((holds up Molly McButter))
199 Sybil yes
200 yeah I've used those
201 I use those on like popcorn and stuff
202 Yvonne yeah
203 Tom oh yeah
204 Yvonne they're
205 they actually aren't horrible

206 Sybil yeah they aren't great
207 but they're okay
208 Tom I was just like "why bother?"
209 Yvonne oh, you put something in there?
210 "why bother?"
211 Sybil making fun of that
212 Lester that's right
213 Sybil but uh, no
214 I was surprised at how good the zucchini tasted
215 I hadn't had zucchini in a really long time
216 and it was great.
217 Tom m-hm it was so good
218 crisp and fresh and juicy and moist and
219 well, cool
220 no [it wasn't cool]
221 Sybil [no it was hot]
222 yeah I'm going to ma-
223 make my dad some zucchini when ah
224 when I go down there
225 Lester pretty good, Yvonne
226 Yvonne what?
227 Lester that.
228 Sybil the pineapple?
229 Yvonne not bad.
230 Lester not bad at all.
231 Yvonne not bad.
232 saw the recipe in the paper.
233 Lester I'm not a big pineapple eater either
234 but that's not bad.

Caramel

1 Judith okay, on an international note
2 am, my .. husband-
3 who I sometimes call my fiancé
4 don't ask me why
5 he's from Nigeria
6 and ah two things I'm-
7 as far as language is concerned
8 we were at Great America
9 and so ahm he kept
10 towards the end of the day he kept asking me
11 "well ah
12 where is the caramel
13 where is the-
14 where's the caramel?"
15 and I was like
16 "I don't know if they sell caramel"
17 and he said
18 "don't you want to ride the caramel?"
19 and I didn-
20 then I finally realized
21 what he was talking about
22 ((background laughter))
23 that he meant "carousel"
24 but he was saying "caramel"
25 and I guess that's how he heard it .. from me.

Chickary china

1 Tracy then came another Korean .. related story
2 I'm half Korean
3 my mother com- came from Korea
4 when she was like .. 19 I believe
5 but this story is more about my sister
6 I have an older sister
7 who is not any more Korean that I am
8 but she looks a 100% oriental
9 and she was like in first grade or something
10 and she went to school
11 and you know
12 she is a little bit you know
13 looks different from everybody else
14 and so the kids are you know
15 making fun of her singing
16 "chickary chickary China
17 sitting on the fence" ((sings))
18 you know blablabla and so
19 ((approving background murmur))
20 she goes home
21 and she tells my mother about it
22 and my mother is like
23 "oh Serena
24 I'm sorry that all these people are making fun of you"
25 and she's like
26 "mom, what are you talking about"
27 she was like happy
28 cause they were giving her so much atten-
29 she was like
30 "I'm not Chinese anyway"
31 ((laughter))
32 and it was so cute
33 she- you know
34 she totally didn't understand that they were like
35 you know picking on her
36 but I thought it was cute
37 ((laughter))

Chipmunk

1 and then I told the story
2 about you and the little chipmunk
3 out in the ... garage. (1)
4 Mary oh ((laughing))
5 Amy I kept- I kept
6 I was just thinking about it the other day.
7 that thing scared the HECK out of me.
8 Pat with all with all the
9 Amy [it was twice.]
10 Mary [((laughs))]
11 Pat [sunflower seeds]
12 Amy it was twice.
13 and the first time,
14 "there's a RAT in there,
15 there's a big MOUSE in there.
16 I SAW it."
17 Mary ((laughs)) I
18 Amy "no, there's nothing in there."
19 "yes, I SAW it."
20 Mary I wouldn't believe her. (1)
21 Pat well I went out.
22 remember,
23 and checked the bag-
24 it was a bag of CANS.
25 that was when we were looking for a golf ball,
26 cause you hit the ball in the can.
27 (2)
28 Amy yeah and then you found its little cubby holes
29 in a box or something.
30 Pat well, what- what-
31 Mary you found all the SEEDS, didn't you?
32 Pat [all the seeds.]
33 Ralph [all the seeds] in a plastic bag.
34 Pat right by the wood out there.
35 and ... when we moved the wood to clean it
36 there was the- the whole thing.
37 it must have sat against the wood
38 and then ate all the ((laughing)) [sunflowers.]
39 Ralph [all the] sunflower seeds.
40 all the shells were in [the bag.]
41 Pat [there were] shells everywhere.
42 Amy yeah and you guys wouldn't believe me.
43 well I guess there WAS [something there.]
44 Pat [well I didn't] the first time
45 but the second time I did.
46 Amy scared me both times. ((laughing))
47 Mary ((laughs))
48 Amy and of course it happened to ME.
49 you know, nobody ELSE.
50 Pat little sucker was living in the garage and

51 Ralph living it UP.
52 [and living high on the hog.]
53 Pat [had it MADE.]
54 he was in out of the COLD
55 and he had something to EAT.
56 and, and by the way,
57 we have to get a bird feeder.
58 I'll have to talk to .. Ma
59 and go to that .. Audubon place. (1)

Clone Mike

1 Derek [on cloning]
2 perhaps I'll do some (rudimentary) experiments
3 on my own
4 Jason yeah Mike
5 we could probably you know uh
6 get one of Mike's hairbrushes
7 and get started ((chuckles))
8 Derek isn't that uh
9 somehow you have to increase
10 the metabolism rate
11 to have it grow?
12 what would, what would they ...
13 that would automatically uh
14 multiply the cell growth
15 to the age of nineteen,
16 Jason and then
17 we could then
18 we could then try it though.
19 so it would be better than Mike
20 you know, his personality-
21 we could kill Mike off
22 and then we'd have a better roommate to live with.
23 and nobody'd ever know the difference.
24 Derek okay, yeah
25 let's see
26 what'd we want
27 what do we want to do the new Mike
28 okay
29 we don't (want to make one)
30 that's so quite so arrogant.
31 Jason okay.
32 not quite so arrogant.
33 more subservient.
34 Derek yeah, u-huh yeah.
35 he should have to give us more things
36 Jason yeah
37 he's got a lot more things jammed in his room
38 than I've got in here.
39 Derek he should um perhaps
40 sleep out in the hallway more often
41 Jason you know or
42 like you could probably blast out-
43 look
44 you could um
45 you could divide this room right in half
46 and blast out Mike's wall
47 and then we could just have two rooms
48 two big rooms
49 and Mike could sleep in the hallway closet or
something.

Coffee & Rum

1 Jacob on Friday I was hanging out with Steve
2 we ended up like at that uh
3 Lake Point restaurant whatever
4 we drank a bunch of coffee
5 Erik yeah
6 Jacob then we went back to his house
7 then we had to drink a bunch of rum to-
8 so we could fall asleep.
9 then I talked him into writing a letter to
Donna.
10 I knew he'd never dot it on his own
11 Erik sober
12 Jacob yeah, well, no
13 I knew he'd just never do it
14 plain, you know, do it
15 on his own
16 somebody's got to play matchmaker
17 because I found [like this-]
18 Erik [what's] "c/o Ben and Sonya Johnson?"
19 Jacob care of Ben and Sonya Johnson.
20 that's where-
21 who she's staying with
22 some some people from their church.
23 you've maybe even met them
24 they're like missionaries there.
25 Erik oh she's in (2.4)((reading envelope))
26 uh Kenya
27 Jacob right now.
28 our little cousin's in Kenya right now.

Dead Cat

1 when I was uhm in high school
2 I had a friend
3 his name was Steve
4 and he drove an orange Chevette
5 that was orange in the inside and the outside.
6 so one day
7 he was going to pick up his girlfriend
8 and she was staying at her grandmother's
9 so he did NOT know the way to her
 grandmother's house
10 and he was going on this road
11 and he realized he was going the wrong way
12 so he did a U-turn
13 but he didn't cut it HARD enough
14 and he went up into this yard
15 there was a CAT in the yard
16 and he thought the cat would run
17 but it didn't
18 and he hit it.
19 so he got out of the car
20 and poked the cat with a stick
21 and it didn't move
22 and he felt for a pulse
23 and he didn't feel one
24 and he picked the cat up
25 put it on its feet
26 and it fell back down
27 and he looked up at the house
28 and the CURtains were swishing back and forth
29 like someone had been standing there
30 so he takes the cat
31 throws it in the car
32 and drives away
33 goes to pick up his girlfriend
34 goes to see the movie
35 takes her back to her grandmother's house
36 and he is on his way HOME
37 and there is a road that runs around Columbus
38 that's like 294 in Chicago
39 it's four main lanes both ways.
40 everyone is going like seventy miles an hour
41 so he is driving along
42 looking at the cat
43 driving along
44 looking at the cat
45 figures that if the cat was going to wake up
46 it would have woken up by now
47 he cranks down the window
48 takes the cat and throws it out.
49 a car comes up behind him

50 flashing its lights.
51 they pull up next to him
52 they've got the windshield wipers going
53 this guy hanging out the window
54 Steve rolls down the window
55 and the man leans out of the car and says
56 "hey mister
57 your cat just jumped out of the window."
58 Steve kind of went like this
59 he didn't want to make a big deal out of it
60 the guy says
61 "NO
62 you don't understand
63 your CAT just jumped out of the window."
64 Steve goes
65 "he knows the way HOME."

Dog Story

1 Tammy well uh
2 I've always had a a real interest-
3 intrigue in fact
4 with the behavior of animals
5 and and their unique ways of logic
6 and I guess I got that from my father
7 who whose family for generations have uh
8 bred foxhounds and hunted with them
9 and showed them around the country.
10 and through those generations
11 they have a lot of networking
12 around the the world, really.
13 and there was an instance
14 where I got a first hand experience
15 in seeing the remarkable nature of animal behavior
16 he ships puppies
17 foxhounds all over the world
18 Argentina, England, all over
19 and one time this man from Florida
20 wanted to buy a matched set of puppies
21 and since I was uh off to College
22 and he needed the money
23 he said "okay
24 but now I want you to know
25 that once you get'em
26 you have to keep 'em chained
27 for at least six months
28 not just in a pen
29 chained."
30 well, you know
31 this fellow figured he knew animal behavior pretty well
32 so he wasn't going to worry about it
33 so my dad crated-up these two
34 beautifully little matched puppies
35 and shipped them from Missouri to Florida
36 to this man.
37 and reminded him
38 "be sure you chain the puppies up."
39 well about seven, eight months later
40 here those two dogs return to Missouri
41 the pads were worn off their feet
42 they were haggard
43 they were thin
44 but somehow
45 those puppies had managed to get loose
46 from their owner in Florida
47 and found their way back to the farm in Missouri
48 where they were born
49 so I think animal behavior is fabulous
50 I enjoy it and I'm mystified somehow.

Dreams

1 Belinda you might win
 2 it wasn't in my dreams.
 3 ((general laughter))
 4 Paula you know what I dreamt last night?
 5 Belinda what?
 6 Paula I ((laughing))
 7 I dreamt that I had congestive heart failure
 8 and had to have an operation ((laughs))
 9 Leona does that mean [something]
 10 [we were going-]
 11 see, I don't remember exactly
 12 but we were going to the hospital
 13 to see someone else
 14 and it turned out
 15 the doctor look at me ((laughing))
 16 and said and said something about I didn't
 look well
 17 and that I had congestive heart failure
 18 and had to have surgery
 19 so then they were getting me all ready for
 surgery
 20 and then I woke up (1.5)
 21 and I thought of you ((laughing))
 22 and YOUR dreams
 23 Belinda ((laughing)) my dreams
 24 ((Paula and Belinda laugh))
 25 ((talk from adjoining room and telephone calls
 intervene))
 26 Paula well I dreamt
 27 when I was pregnant with Nat
 28 I dreamt that I gave birth to a fox
 29 Leona ((laughs))
 30 Belinda oh my God
 31 Paula and I can still picture this
 32 and there was a fox in the waiting room
 33 running around in circles
 34 because he was so happy
 35 because I [had a fox]
 36 [general laughter]
 37 ((telephone rings))

Famished

1 Judith and then another time
2 this is a story that is retold from him
3 ahm when he was back home ...
4 there was like a a dinner
5 kind of formal dinner for ahm
6 like staff at his father's work-
7 his father work at
8 and so everybody
9 the staff met
10 the families ere there
11 and everybody was kind of like doctors
12 and you know middle class
13 and so ahm
14 everybody was conversating
15 and one of the children
16 who was about sixteen, seventeen years old
17 was kind of being left out of the conversation
18 so he just wanted to make a comment
19 and so what he said was ahm
20 he sat back
21 and he padded his stomach
22 and he said
23 "boy
24 that was a good meal
25 I'm totally famished."
26 ((laughter))
27 then he meant famished with meaning poor
instead of
28 it really meant
29 you know it's extremely non ()
30 so those anyway
31 I loved that
32 it was kind of cute you know
33 how sometimes it takes people a while
34 to get used to other languages.

Finger Caught

1 Iris Ginger's story reminded me of
 2 well, I don't know
 3 speaking of stupid things you did in your youth.
 4 ((general laughter))
 5 I went to the orthodontist one time.
 6 and they had just gotten-
 7 they had just redone the whole office
 8 it was really nice
 9 and they had put in these new CABinets
 10 that had all the tools and stuff
 11 and I always-
 12 when I was young I'd always like
 13 y'know mess around with things and stuff
 14 and so I y'know
 15 put my finger in this-
 16 there was like this little HOLE
 17 ((teller laughter followed by audience laughter till
 end of unit))
 18 in this cabinet
 19 and I put my finger in there
 20 and all of a sudden I'm like
 21 and I can't get my FINGER out
 22 ((audience laughter))
 23 so I kind of start panicking
 24 because I'm kind of like
 25 "what am I going to do?"
 26 and I didn't want anybody to see it of course
 27 so I'm kind of like trying to avoid being seen y'know
 28 but, as I'm trying to pull it out
 29 my finger starts swelling
 30 Ginger oh
 31 Iris so then I get really sort of panicky
 32 and I'm sitting there
 33 trying and trying to get it out
 34 and trying to disguise it at the same time
 35 and finally the lady
 36 uh one of the ((clears throat))
 37 dental hygienists
 38 I mean whatever you call them
 39 uh came up
 40 and she realized what I'd done
 41 so she brought me some some Vaseline
 42 and put that on
 43 and helped me try to get the finger out
 44 and about five minutes later we got it out
 45 y'know ((laughing))
 46 and then and then she says to me
 47 "now don't do that again"
 48 ((general laughter))
 49 so:

50 I was afraid they were going to have to cut open their
new cabinets
51 ((more laughter))
52 Hester or cut open your finger.
53 Iris well no
54 I wouldn't have let them do THAT.

Finger Cots

1 Peter my uh
2 my dad is uh
3 doesn't go on vacation much.
4 in fact he's going to retire now and uh
5 it's uh-
6 I think he's been working for forty-nine years
straight you know
7 sixty hour weeks
8 that kind of stuff
9 he's a barber
10 and uh
11 but on Memorial Day and Labor Day we go
12 power fishing is what my sister and I call it now
13 Where
14 the whole family gets in the car
15 we go up to Lake Kagoma in Wisconsin
16 pull up to the pier uh
17 which is a- big boat rental
18 and you get out
19 and you'd uh y'know
20 get on the lake
21 and Dad would go on the lake for, twelve hours
22 y'know Mom would have to go to the bathroom
23 and Dad'd say "oh yeah
24 just a little bit"
25 and it would be two hours
26 before we got to shore type deal
27 and uh
28 I remember-
29 I think I was about a sophomore
30 yeah, about a sophomore in high school
31 it was a bad year I think ((chuckles))
32 and uh, I was playing soft ball
33 I used to play sixteen inch softball
34 and I had my uh finger run over sliding-
35 which I think it was third base
36 and I'd broke the finger
37 and uh after about a week
38 Ma said "well you know
39 it's still giving you a little pain.
40 let's get it x-rayed."
41 so they went
42 and they uh put on the finger
43 a uh a whole cast
44 they couldn't put one of those metal
45 with the the foam in there
46 because of the way it was bent
47 to straighten the knuckle out and everything
48 and uh
49 so taking a shower at that time was kind of difficult

50 and uh Mom worked for Motorola
51 and still does
52 and they have clean rooms
53 where you deal with the gold
54 putting on the transistors
55 and you put these
56 uh what are called a finger cot
57 on each of your fingers
58 so you don't touch
59 and get the oils in your hand on their devices
60 well, we're out at the the lake
61 and Dad's getting the stuff in
62 and he-
63 of course the minute you pull up
64 he wants to be on the lake in fifteen minutes
65 out there, motor running, everything, y'know
66 poles in the water
67 the whole deal, y'know
68 and uh so he's sitting there
69 getting the stuff in the boat and everything
70 and uh and looks back to Mom
71 doesn't doesn't ask me
72 because he sees y'know
73 I don't have anything on this uh
74 giant cast on my finger at the time
75 and he yells to Ma
76 "hey Ellen,
77 bring Ed's rubbers.
78 bring his rubbers." ((chuckles))
79 there's about .. twenty people putting boats in the
water and everything
80 my sister dies laughing y'know
81 she's a couple of years younger.
82 and my Mom is screaming from the parking lot
83 a good fifty yards away screaming
84 "finger cots, finger cots." ((chuckles))
85 ha, never'll forget that experience again.

First Job

1 Ellen what was YOUR first job?
 2 April first job um
 3 oh: that was at the Halsted Burger King
 4 in Halsted Illinois.
 5 Ellen that near your house?
 6 April about six miles away.
 7 Ellen m-hm.
 8 April and they-
 9 they built it brand new
 10 and I was one of the FIRST employees
 11 and because of that we ah-
 12 um we had a head hancha woman
 13 from International Burger King
 14 come and train everybody.
 15 because there was like thirty of us?
 16 Ellen wow.
 17 yeah?
 18 April and uh we had about a week of training
 19 and I remember
 20 the most embarrassing moment of my LIFE
 happened then
 21 ((laughs))
 22 Ellen ((laughs)) what does that MEAN? ((laughing))
 23 April ((laughing)) um no this is just-
 24 I can't believe I did this
 25 but- um I was really nerv-
 26 well it was my first JOB
 27 and I was nervous
 28 and there's so much to learn
 29 I mean y'know
 30 there's so many things at Burger King you have
 to=
 31 Ellen [=how old were you?]
 32 April [make an uh-]
 33 I was like a sophomore in high school.
 34 Ellen okay.
 35 April yeah.
 36 [the summer after my sophomore year.]
 37 Ellen [you were young.]
 38 okay.
 39 April and um we were learning the drive-through
 40 and just the thought of speaking on-
 41 into that microphone
 42 and y'know into outside-
 43 Ellen yes.
 44 April and you have to pretend to take orders
 45 and and I was so embarrassed.
 46 and the FIRST time I had to do it
 47 I said "welcome to MacDonal'd's
 48 [may I take your order?"]

49 Ellen [oh NO::] ((laughing))
50 April and everybody just LAUGHED at me. ((laughing))
51 Ellen ((laughs))
52 did you try and pull it off like a joke
53 like you meant to say that?
54 April no. ((laughing))
55 Ellen no. ((laughing))
56 good job.
57 April yeah.
58 that was my very first job.

Fitted

1 Addie and she was like 'GOOD
2 well then we can go SHOpp[ing]
3 Brianne [((laughs))]
4 Addie ((laughs)) and I said 'sure'
5 Brianne I know I'm so tired
6 we were all over to Rockford shopping today
7 Addie oh yeah
8 Brianne bopping around
9 Addie oh jeez
10 Brianne I had to- uhm (1.0)
11 to get fitted for my bridesmaid dress
12 Addie O::h
13 Brianne oh god
14 I was like ready to tell Elinor I couldn't be
in her wedding.
15 [I swear]
16 Addie [oh ho ho]
17 Brianne the dress is- .. it looks really bad on me

Football

1 Kevin it was senior year.
2 senior year in high school.
3 and it was the night before a big football game
4 I went to bed.
5 and I was thinking about s- big football games.
6 we hadn't been to the playoffs in a long time
7 and we just made it.
8 and this was like a big rivalry
9 between the team that lived but ten miles away from us
10 Lana oh.
11 Kevin and so I-
12 Lana what position did you play?
13 Kevin offensive line.
14 Lana ugh.
15 Kevin and so I lay-
16 couldn't fall asleep at all that night.
17 and then
18 and then the next day
19 went to school-
20 Lana did you dress up?
21 Kevin yeah.
22 I- my football uniform and everything.
23 and uh the pads
24 and uh all the people are like
25 pumped up to get the game going
26 everybody
27 because everybody w- wanted to see the football game.
28 Lana did you have a pep rally?
29 Kevin yeah
30 we had a pep rally and
31 we marched around the school
32 singing our school song and stuff.
33 Lana did you burn anything?
34 Kevin hell yeah.
35 Lana oh good.
36 [(laughs)]
37 Kevin [(laughs)]
38 uh all the teachers were dressed up
39 in like black black and orange
40 which are our school colors.
41 and everybody's excited
42 and then it was time for the game
43 uh-
44 Lana was it away or at home?
45 Kevin it was away.
46 Lana at their stadium?
47 or on neutral ground.
48 Kevin theirs.
49 Lana okay.
50 Kevin ten miles away.

51 we even got on the bus
52 and we went there
53 attempting to drive was pretty crazy.
54 and we got on the-
55 and we got there about two hours early
56 just to get ready you know and everything
57 we went on the field
58 and got yelled at
59 'cause we weren't supposed to get on the field
60 'til like an hour before the game so-
61 Lana uh.
62 Kevin they yelled at us for that.
63 they thought we were going to practice or something.
64 and then we went into the locker room
65 and everybody's changing
66 it was kind of a cool sight
67 everybody's you know pumped up
68 and going crazy
69 ((laughs))
70 getting taped and everything.
71 Lana yeah.
72 Kevin and then the game started.
73 uh they got the ball first.
74 Lana hmm.
75 Kevin and they drove like eighty yards
76 ha and scored a touchdown.
77 Lana first drive?
78 Kevin yeah.
79 Lana ugh.
80 Kevin and then
81 we got the ball
82 and we went about sixty-four yards
83 or something like .that
84 and we got down to like the two-yard line
85 and it was like third down-
86 or fourth down with and two and-
87 Lana uh.
88 Kevin and then we got a penalty
89 and it was like fourth down
90 and like twelve
91 Lana mmm.
92 Kevin so we kicked a field goal
93 and we got the touchdown then
94 after that it was stalemate
95 no one scored after that
96 so it was just a-
97 Lana ever?
98 Kevin nah.
99 not the rest of the game.
100 Lana the whole game?
101 it was seven to three
102 that was the final score?

103 Kevin final score.
104 Lana uh.
105 Kevin and so
106 and I felt bad and all
107 but I know
108 I like tried my hardest
109 so I wasn't I wasn't upset
110 as upset as I would have been
111 but I was-
112 Lana was everybody else upset?
113 Kevin yeah
114 there was a lot of us sitting there crying
115 for a guy that is-
116 Lana well yeah.
117 it was the last game
118 and uh-

France

1 okay
2 when I went to France
3 my junior year of college
4 we had to fly over by ourselves
5 and we landed in Paris
6 and you're dragging all your stuff
7 for two months of class
8
9 and you have to go on a TGV ((te3eve))
10 all the way down south
11 and you're traveling with other students
12 and you're hearing these terrible stories
13 about the families you're going to live with
14 and how they're only doing it for money
15 and they're just going to feed you cheese and water.
16 and you get down
17 and you're tired
18 and you're jet-lagged
19 and you've got all your stuff
20 and you have to find the university by yourself
21 and sit in the waiting room for your family
22 who is only going to feed you cheese and water
23 to come and pick you up.
24 and the year before I went
25 this actually happened to a girl
26 and this is the story
27 that I heard on the way DOWN to Lyon
28 where I studied.
29 so this girl had gone through all of that
30 and her family came to pick her up
31 and they went back to the house
32 and she had to go to the bathroom
33 so she asked where the bathroom was
34 and in France there are TWO
35 there is the water closet where the toilet is
36 and then there is la sale de bains
37 which is where the sink,
38 and the shower,
39 and the towels,
40 and that kind of stuff.
41 so she asked for la sale de bains
42 and they took her in
43 where the sink
44 and the shower and the towels were.
45 and she was too embarrassed to go back out there
46 and tell them that she needed to use the OTHER one
47 so she pulled herself up on the sink
48 and went to the bathroom.
49 she was kind of a sturdy girl
50 and she pulled the sink OFF the wall
 ((listener laughter))

51 so the family comes running in
52 SHE'S crying
53 they're trying to SOOTH her.
54 they get her all back dressed
55 they take her back out in the living room
56 she sits down on their couch
57 and KILLS their dog.
58 the French-
59 French women have-
60 one of those yippy little dogs they carry everywhere?
61 ((listener laughter))
62 SHE was traumatized
63 the FAMILY was traumatized
64 and she had to go back the next day.
65 so that was the kind of story
66 that we heard all the time
67 and I always told it to my students
68 so that they would learn the importance
69 of learning the two different vocabulary words for
bathroom.

Girlfriend

1 Vera were you talking about YOU having a girlfriend
2 when you were little
3 and writing her this letter
4 Jim yeah.
5 yeah.
6 Vera well TELL me about it
7 Teddy uh-hh-uh
8 Jim as I recall
9 she and I had matching Superman suits
10 [and we'd]
11 [((listener laughter))]
12 and we'd lie on the back lawn
13 [and pretend to be flying and stuff]
14 Vera [the basis of true love.]
15 yes.
16 Jim in fact-
17 she was the daughter of the woman
18 who lived next door to my grandparents
19 Vera uh-huh
20 Jim and er
21 the couple y'know
22 so we had such fun as kids
23 and and it was she and her sister
24 to whom I was exposing my brother's penis
25 when my-
26 Teddy [hhuh.]
27 Vera [haha] h I'm sure yeah.
28 Jim in the famous incident
29 when my grandmother BROKE in on us
30 and SHAMED me for life
31 y'know really.
32 I'll never forget this treMENDous weight of guilt
33 and "JIM what are you DOIng."
34 Teddy ((laughs))
35 Jim "COME out of there" y'know
36 "GIRLS go home" and y'know.
37 Pamela wow.
38 Jim then I remember just sitting in the livingroom
39 with my grandparents y'know pointedly ignoring me.
40 Vera trying to act normally.
41 Jim and just y'know
42 making me feel terrible
43 and uh
44 Pamela oh
45 Teddy ((laughs))
46 Vera ((laughs))
47 Jim but anyhow,
48 Vera he took them in the bathroom
49 and SHOWED them his brother's.
50 Pamela oh

51 Jim ((laughs))
52 Vera "LOOK what he's got."
53 Jim my brother didn't mind.
54 Vera yeah ((laughing))
55 his brother's younger than him
56 Pamela younger.
57 oh I see
58 Jim yeah.
59 Vera hun huh.
60 Jim uh but-
61 Vera poor ((laughing)) kid
62 ((laughs))
63 Pamela well.
64 Vera "it's a VISUAL AID.
65 here's my visual aid."
66 Teddy ((laughs))
67 yes.
68 show and tell.
69 yeah.
70 "I'm bringing my brother's geneTALia."
71 Jim ((laughs))
72 Vera ((laughs))
73 Jim [((laughs))]
74 Pamela [it sure is] nice to have a boy and a girl
75 I tell you
76 Teddy yeah
77 yeah.
78 Jim yeah.
79 Vera ((laughs))
80 Pamela we won't have to show them anything
81 Jim [right right]
82 Vera [that's right]
83 Jim well I think y'know
84 here were two sisters
85 who didn't have a brother
86 and two brothers
87 who didn't have a sister
88 and I think the idea was an exchange
89 of [a kind]
90 Vera [you were] being an educator
91 Jim yeah.
92 Teddy sure
93 Jim but we were RUDEly interrupted and
94 Vera ((laughs))
95 Jim so anyhow uh
96 I just got this cut-off point
97 where suddenly I had to join the woman-haters' club.

Goat

1 John now I have a-
2 the main story
3 a main animal
4 and a shovel story
5 that I won't even get in
6 ((listener laughter))
7 Listener well, do one
8 John uh okay
9 it's the same story
10 uh I was out with my grandfather
11 he was he was out uh-
12 at the time he owned a farm
13 he was out uh teaching em how to repair fences
14 so he was he was out
15 stretching barbed wire and things
16 and he had a little goat
17 one of those little sort of miniature goats
18 and the goat would just uh-
19 every time he'd bend over to start stretching a wire
20 the goat would get down on all fours
21 like it was going to charge him.
22 and he'd look over his shoulder
23 and he'd keep doing it.
24 and then the goat would charge him
25 and he'd have to sort of get over the fence
26 and the goat would you know
27 turn around and try to act casual
28 Listener ((laughter))
29 John like he didn't really want to get a hang up
30 Listener ((laughter))
31 John uh so so you know
32 the goat would just sort of walk back
33 and then he'd get back over to his side of the fence
34 and the goat would let him go ahead
35 and keep working on the fence for awhile
36 and then he'd get down again
37 and he'd charge him again
38 (and) this went on for five or six times
39 and he's like ("watch him")
40 and it and so
41 what you do to stretch the wire with
42 or what he was using was a axe handle
43 and he he had done using it to stretch the wire
44 he bent over
45 the goat was like real cautious this time
46 just you know the goat-
47 some kind of goat sense
48 Listener ((laughter))
49 John but less so.
50 and uh he's bent over

51 and the goat just starts
52 just a little bit at a time
53 and the goat realizes that
54 he's not going to run this time
55 and the goat's like "wow, finally."
56 you know
57 he's finally got old enough
58 that he can't get back over the fence
59 this is this is goat heaven.
60 "I'm finally going to get to be able to hit him."
61 my grandfather turns around with the axe handle
62 and just right into it
63 right across the top of the head
64 with sort of you know
65 the the the ram's hitting
66 the noise- it's like tsk kerPLUNK.
67 and the goat just stood perfectly still for a second
68 took two steps sideways to the right
69 Listener ((laughter))
70 John two steps sideways to the left
71 and then just sort of shook its head
72 and turned and walked away
73 and apparently he had proved to the the goat
74 that that that wasn't a good idea
75 for the rest of the day-
76 but it continued doing goat things.
77 apparently they don't have much in the ways
78 for brains to damage or anything
79 Listener ((laughter))

Guardian Angel

1 Shel ((laughs))
 2 I guess I better go.
 3 Cal you don't have to
 4 Shel na, I don't have to
 5 but if I want to get up tomorrow morning I do
 6 guess OH I couldn't believe it
 7 I was so happy
 8 I wanted to go home Friday morning, right?
 9 this guy's leaving early early Friday morning
 10 well I have an eight o'clock class
 11 that I don't want to miss because
 12 Cal it got canceled
 13 Shel right ((whispered))
 14 the one day I'm like "bless you"
 15 I- it must be destined for me to go home
 16 Cal someone's looking out for looking at you
 17 Shel AND I found someone to work for me right away
 18 and Julie's going to Finite even
 19 so she's going to take notes for me
 20 so I have the whole day covered
 21 Cal you probably have some guardian angel
 22 that doesn't want to see you die
 23 and I'm going to die in some fiery explosion
 24 that [you won't be in]
 25 Shel [don't you dare] say that.
 26 Cal ((laughs))
 27 Shel don't you dare
 28 Cal I just want that on record
 29 so that if it's true
 30 Shel ((laughs)) well what if it is- was
 31 because it's my time to go?
 32 Cal oh and that I was there in place of you
 33 Shel no.
 34 n- n- no
 35 what if it's my time to go
 36 and it's I'm going to die on my way home
 37 Cal so you're going to die with him.
 38 Shel yeah.
 39 Cal so,
 40 Shel or maybe not with him
 41 or maybe at at home or something
 42 Cal you better NOT die with him.
 43 Shel no, aw.
 44 no.
 45 Cal ((laughs)) ug.
 46 Shel you never kno:::w ((sing-song))
 47 Cal yeah.
 48 Shel oh well
 49 Cal well okay
 50 well see

51 I was looking at it as a positive on your end.
52 that you've got an guardian angel
53 and that=
54 Shel =and that you DON'T?
55 tsk
56 everybody has an guardian angel.
57 Cal I don't know
58 he hasn't been helping me that much lately
59 Shel well that's becau::se
60 Cal I feel like I'm on my own
61 Shel Well
62 when you feel aLONE
63 that's when he's with you the most
64 so::
65 do you know that?
66 probably not.
67 Cal naw I just=
68 Shel =because=
69 Cal =like to wallow in my self pity
70 Shel ri-
71 that's that's that's right
72 we all do it
73 I do it all the time
74 ALL the time
75 now we're

Horse

1 okay
2 I just-
3 this is an untold one
4 I just heard this one today.
5 I called my girlfriend
6 she just got back from Jackson HOLE
7 and we were talking about y'know
8 how cultural it was
9 and this and that
10 and she's like she said
11 "well, they have their rednecks too."
12 and she gave this example of uhm
13 the landlords that her brother stays with
14 he was going out one day
15 riding his horse
16 with his gun
17 went out hunting
18 and he shot a deer
19 and uh
20 at this time he was getting ready
21 to drag the deer BACK
22 and the horse wouldn't GO
23 because there were certain areas in the snow
24 where you could just fall through
25 because there were like pockets
26 and the horse knew this
27 and was scared
28 so he shot the horse
29 and dragged the deer back himself.

Hunter

1 Jean wasn't that awful about the guy that went
 hunting
 2 and killed his son
 3 Annie oh hooh.
 4 Jean and then he killed himself
 5 he didn't-
 6 he shot him by mistake
 7 he thought it was a deer
 8 coming, y'know, coming in the woods
 9 shot the kid.
 10 when he went to check
 11 because he thought he shot a deer
 12 he found he shot is son
 13 dead.
 14 Helen oh my God
 15 Jean and he turned the gun on himself
 16 Helen oh how tragic
 17 Jean and he killed himself.
 18 because he probably couldn't
 19 he probably knew he couldn't face his wife
 20 and whatever y'know.
 21 Annie first time he took his son too.
 22 Jean yeah.
 23 that's why today's paper said
 24 "make orange legal."
 25 Annie yeah, you have to
 26 Jean "make them wear orange"
 27 that red and black check
 28 you can't see that
 29 when it blends in with everything
 30 and y'know
 31 I think it's just like a reaction
 32 if they hear or see something
 33 through the corner of their eye
 34 moving
 35 and they just shoot
 36 without waiting to see what it is.
 37 that was sad.
 38 I don't know how old the kid was.
 39 Chorus eighteen ((at least three separate voices))

Jack

1 Ned and Sean Penn
2 but other than that.

3 Brandon I was in New York a couple of months ago
4 and I was seeing a show called M. Butterfly
5 with John Litgow in it.
6 it's gotten pretty good uh reviews
7 and one of the people in the crowd to see this show
8 and to see John Litgow was Jack Nicholson.

9 Lydia uh.

10 Claire o:o:h.

11 Brandon and Jack Nicholson was HOUNded
12 and HASSled and SPOTlighted
13 a:nd DEALT on by everybody in that movie theater=
14 Frank =yeah.

15 Brandon by probably thirty-five photographers
16 outside th- movie theater um um THEater
17 wa::s completely public property

18 Frank yep.

19 Brandon and to see a person
20 with two bodyguards to protect him

21 Lydia wow
22 to think [of it].

23 Brandon [to see] a person in that position
24 where just because he wants to go see a buddy of his
25 in a well-respected play in New York
26 to have to put up with that aggravation
27 I can understand why Sean Penn has shoved a camera
28 into a cameraman's face

29 Frank o:h

30 Brandon I can understand why
31 when the thirty-fifth guy
32 has jumped over the back wall of his home
33 and into his backyard
34 to take a picture of his wife at the swimming-pool
35 that a person would get a little

36 Frank yes.=

37 Brandon =testy.

38 Lydia but Jackie Onassis
39 y'know
40 people think that she's such a terrible disgusting
person

41 Ned she IS.

42 Lydia of COURSE she's never-

43 Brandon ((laughs))

Kaput 1

1 ((whistling noise from refrigerator))
2 Larry it's doing it again
3 Ray yes.
4 Marge Megan said "that's the FIFTH time."
5 and I said we were so afraid it would go kaput.
6 and then she gave me a lesson
7 in how to pronounce that word
8 she said I didn't pronounce it the way you did.
9 Uta ((laughs))
10 Marge she really was disturbed
11 at the way I pronounced that [German word]
12 Uta [did you tell] Larry?
13 did you tell Larry that?
14 Marge no.
15 Uta I bet he would have loved
16 to have that on tape.

Kaput 2

1 Marge when you guys arrived home
2 she was explaining to me-
3 Larry?
4 she was giving me a lesson
5 in how to pronounce kaput
6 the way her [mother says it]
7 Larry [I heard that]
8 Uta kaput.
9 can you bring me something to drink too?
10 Larry yeah.
11 Uta kaput.
12 Larry you want just water?
13 Uta yeah.
14 Marge the thing was whistling
15 and I said-
16 she she [made a big deal out of it.]
17 Larry [you said "kapot"]
18 Marge no, no.
19 she said "that's the fifth time today."
20 and I said
21 "Grandma's so afraid that the refrigerator will go kaput
22 while you and Ellen and Diane are here."
23 Larry well that sounded perfectly fine.
24 Uta uh-huh
25 Marge and she said
26 "my mommy says kaput"
27 ((general laughter))
28 Uta uh-huh
29 kaput.
30 Marge I didn't put enough of a T on it
31 Ray it surprised the hell out of them today,

Kaput 3

1 ((whistling noise from the refrigerator))
2 Marge Megan heard me say Sunday
3 we hoped the refrigerator wouldn't go kaput
4 and then she said
5 "Grandma, it's kaput
6 my Mami says it in a different way"
7 and I said if that isn't embarrassing
8 to have a four-year-old correcting my German.
9 Sally she said something different.
10 somebody said something was kaput
11 and she said it wouldn't go around?
12 o::r
13 Marge she corrected my one German word
14 and see
15 Gramp said "gesundheit"
16 and she said "Grandpa
17 I thought you said you didn't know any German."
18 ((laughs))
19 and I just thought that was so cute (1.0)
20 .hhh
21 anyway
22 Sally tsk
23 so this guy

Killing Brother

1 Leo let's say I was four or five
2 and I have this older brother
3 who's just eighteen months older
4 and he was always beating me up.
5 and he probably had just beaten me up
6 and my dad was just finishing the basement
7 so there was lumber lying around
8 and hammers and nails and stuff
9 and so my big brother's down there
10 probably you know with tools
11 and since he's got his back to me
12 and he's squatting down
13 and he's otherwise occupied
14 I think "I'll get back at him."
15 I pick up a two by four
16 and just SLAM him across the back of the head
17 ((laughter))
18 and instead of like going you know
19 going "ugh" or anything
20 he just crumples to the floor.
21 just doesn't make a sound or anything
22 just all muscles give out
23 and he's just lying there on the floor
24 I go over there
25 and I shake him y'know.
26 no movement or anything
27 I assume he's dead
28 ((laughter))
29 I go running up the stairs to my mom
30 I said "Mom,
31 I just killed Yancy"
32 she screams.
33 we run back down the stairs
34 but the time we get down there though
35 he's kind of coming-to y'know
36 and my mom thinking quickly says
37 "you know
38 you must have fallen over
39 and knocked your head."
40 but you know to a-
41 he's-
42 if I'm five
43 what he's six and a half
44 so.
45 and he-
46 as far as I know
47 to this very day
48 he still doesn't know
49 that I laid him out with a two by four.

Korea

1 Paul I was in Korea
2 south Korea in March of 96
3 I was stationed in Okanowa in the Marine Corps
4 and when I'd shipped for about a month
5 we stopped in Hong Kong and South Korea
6 ouh we weren't ready for South Korea
7 it was the first time we had seen snow .. in years
8 I mean we were stationed in Southern California
9 ah that time in Okanowa
10 it doesn't really snow there
11 and in any of the other places
12 we were going to then
13 it snowed
14 it was March
15 and we pulled into Korea
16 and they told us we could get off ship for a day
17 we all stepped off
18 it was snowing and
19 well we had this T-shirts
20 and if we were lucky we had jeans
21 ((background laughter))
22 and we didn't care
23 we were getting off ship
24 and we were in you know
25 it was Pu-San
26 South Korean place
27 and ah nice and big
28 lots of stuff to do there
29 our last night there
30 we found this bar
31 they told us to stay away from the Russians
32 there were a lot of Russians in that community
33 we found this bar
34 we walked in the three of us
35 and it's just all Russians in there
36 and I was like "well
37 maybe we should leave you know
38 we don't want to get into trouble
39 our last night here"
40 they were too friendly
41 and they wouldn't let us leave
42 or they'd shake our hands
43 or buying us drinks
44 and the next thing you know
45 the three of us were up there
46 singing Beatles, Sim- and Beatles
47 Ozzy Osbourne ((background laughter)) on karaoke
48 I don't know
49 we were singing Pink Floyd
50 and just all these people applauding you

51 I can only imagine
52 what music sounds like in Russia
53 if they're applauding me for singing
54 so that was my experience in Korea
55 ((laughter))

Leaf in the wind

1 Darrel he said
2 "you might want to think about engineering
3 as a major
4 because you're pretty flexible when you get out."
5 now I don't think
6 he was actually twisting my arm.
7 Ellen right.
8 Darrel but I was-
9 I was just like a leaf in the wind
10 at that point
11 so I majored in engineering
12 but all the time I was majoring in engineering
13 I- I felt like
14 I really didn't want to go out
15 and be an engineer
16 or I- I-
17 and part of it was
18 I didn't want to
19 but part of it was I-
20 I just felt like
21 I couldn't uh be like the other engineering majors
22 and really you know
23 get into that kind of job.
24 I had some of a sense of inferiority
25 about some aspects of technical things even then.
26 but anyway
27 I pushed I- I-
28 I pushed-
29 I got into a major
30 where I got to take a lot of physics stuff
31 because it was more abstract
32 Ellen right.

Letter

1 Vera were you talking about YOU
2 having a girlfriend
3 when you were little
4 and writing her this letter
5 Jim yeah
6 yeah
7 Vera well TELL me about it
8 Teddy uh-hh-uh
9 Jim as I recall
10 she and I had matching Superman suits
11 [and we'd]
12 [((listener laughter))]
13 and we'd lie on the back lawn
14 [and pretend to be flying and stuff]
15 Vera [the basis of true love.]
16 yes.

Lipstick

1 Bettina no more dead animal stories.
 2 ((general laughter))
 3 Iris I've got-
 4 I've got a HAPpy animal story
 5 ((more laughter))
 6 my-
 7 I have a little-
 8 uh my parents have a little Lhasa apso.
 9 she's a nice really cute little dog.
 10 and um my mom was on the phone one day
 11 and and the dog was outside
 12 and my dad was bringing the dog in
 13 and my dad can be kind of unobservant
 14 ((laughter))
 15 and um
 16 he didn't notice that the dog's face
 17 was just like RED
 18 and my mom's on the phone
 19 and she's like
 20 "oh what happened?" y'know
 21 and my mom's afraid y'know
 22 this little dog was out there
 23 either got in a fight
 24 or killed an animal or something
 25 ((laughter))
 26 which is really funny I mean
 27 it's really a small dog.
 28 and so she's freaking out
 29 and she gets very excited
 30 about things like that
 31 so she's freaking out and-
 32 "oh no
 33 what's wrong?"
 34 and ready to take him to the vet.
 35 and she goes in the other-
 36 in the back room
 37 uh
 38 and she notices
 39 there's red all over the carpet too
 40 and she's really freaking out-
 41 brand new carpeting by the way
 42 she's really freaking out about that
 43 and as it turns out
 44 my dog had gotten into the zi-
 45 she had a whole um
 46 long strip of these lipstick samplers
 47 ((laughter))
 48 and she had LICKED clean
 49 every single one
 50 except the CLEAR-

51 which she didn't touch
52 must have not tasted so good
53 ((general laughter))
54 but anyway
55 it was kind of funny.

Malleable

1 Teddy early teens
2 twelve, thirteen probably.
3 fourteen.
4 Jim when I was in the seventh grade
5 somebody told me a-
6 one of these soft ART erasers
7 under the pre-
8 telling me it was a CONdom y'know ((laughs))
9 and I was [CURious]
10 Teddy [((laughs))]
11 Jim y'know
12 to see what it was like
13 and uh
14 "I don't see how you use this."
15 Vera ((laughing)) what was it?
16 it was an erAser? ((laughing))
17 Jim yeah.
18 a real SOFT eraser
19 y'know
20 the kind that you can- (0.7)
21 that's malleable.
22 Vera ((laughs))
23 Teddy ((laughing)) but not that malleable
24 Jim right.
25 right.
26 ((general laughter))
27 Pamela that's cute.
28 Vera your parents never DID tell you anything
 though
29 did they?

Model

1 Addie what about life drawing?
 2 Brianne uhm- we kind of had-
 3 we had a section on figure drawing
 4 and we had a model
 5 Addie uh-[huh]
 6 Brianne [it] was really weird
 7 we had her come=
 8 Addie huh-huh
 9 Brianne =I think about two weeks ago
 10 and then (1.0) we did some figure drawing ha
 ha
 11 Addie ha ha
 12 Brianne yeah
 13 everyone was kind of like
 14 'oh my God we can't believe it' we-
 15 you know it's DePaul you know?
 16 Addie uh-huh
 17 Brianne we feel like we are in art school now ha ha ha
 18 Addie ha ha ha
 19 Brianne ((coughs))
 20 Addie yeah
 21 Frank has that for a whole semester
 22 like [uhm-]
 23 Brianne [oh] wow
 24 Addie nude models and [stuff]
 25 Brianne [yeah] he he yep
 26 (1.0) and it was really weird because uhm-
 27 then like-
 28 just last week we went downtown one night to
 see a movie
 29 Addie uh-huh
 30 Brianne and we were sitting in MacDonald's like=
 31 Addie uh-huh
 32 Brianne =downtown
 33 waiting for .. our movie
 34 and we saw her in the MacDonald's
 35 Addie [((laughs))]
 36 Brianne [and] it was like
 37 'that's our model' [((laughs))]
 38 Addie [((laughs))]
 39 Brianne 'in clo::thes' [hu hu we were like=]
 40 Addie [oh my God] ((laughing))
 41 Brianne ='oh wow' [it was-]
 42 Addie [((laughs))]
 43 Brianne it was really weird
 44 Addie u:h huh
 45 Brianne but it was her
 46 he he
 47 Addie oh no
 48 weird

49 Brianne I mean that's weird when you run [into=]
50 Addie [mhm-mhm]
51 yeah.

Mr. Roberts

1 Frank he was good at the ship-board doctor in "Mr. Roberts."
 2 Ned we didn't SEE it
 3 we just saw a little bit of it
 4 we just saw that it was ON
 5 a whole bunch of people
 6 are in that movie
 7 Jimmy Cagney's in that movie.
 8 Frank oh yeah.
 9 he's the captain.
 10 Ned but who's the:
 11 frank Henry Fonda
 12 AND Jack Lemmon.
 13 Frank and Jack Lemmon
 14 Ned well hu:h
 15 what a cast.
 16 Frank and they were all good, boy.
 17 Ned and I was wondering though
 18 I thought "yeah
 19 William Powell"
 20 but I didn't know him well enough.
 21 Frank he was the doctor.
 22 and Jimmy Cagney was the son of a bitch
 23 he was the commanding officer.
 24 Ned but he's the all rules an-
 25 Frank ah he was a son of a bitch
 26 and he had a potted palm tree
 27 that sat up on the BRIDGE
 28 and it was the ((laughing))
 29 Jack Lemmon's job to come in
 30 and water that thong y'know
 31 an-
 32 Ned but what does Lemmon finally do?
 33 does he throw it overboard?
 34 Frank yeah.
 35 he just got so goddamn-
 36 Ned he was-
 37 says "I'm gonna-"
 38 Frank got so goddamn mad
 39 he just-
 40 Ned "to HELL with this plant."
 41 Frank ((laughs)) he just took it
 42 threw it over ((laughing))
 43 and the MEN all watched him do it of course
 44 and everybody just
 45 Ned ((laughs))
 46 Frank ((laughs))
 47 and then the old man
 48 then lined them all up
 49 and he was gonna draw ((laughing))
 50 and quarter all of them

51 until he got a confession ((laughing))
52 of who did it y'know((laughing))
53 and Lemmon stepped forward
54 and "I threw your GOD DAMN PLANT [overboard]."
55 Ned [((laughs))]
56 Frank ((laughs))
57 Ned so you can look up in here
58 anyway not just GUYS
59 y'know look up names of people
60 but names of directors.

Mutual Friend

1 Brianne yeah
 2 (2.0) I mean for a while there was like this thing-
 3 I don't know- well
 4 he- he's like our mutual friend Peter [okay?]
 5 Addie [mhm-mhm]
 6 Brianne and then- that was why
 7 Addie mhm-[mhm]
 8 Brianne [he's] our mutual friend of all of our friends [you know]
 9 Addie [aha]
 10 Brianne I just didn't-
 11 (1.0) I don't know
 12 for a while- uhm-
 13 (1.0) I kind of was starting to- you know=
 14 Addie mhm-mhm
 15 Brianne =maybe think that something was gonna happen
 16 or that- you know I kind of liked him
 17 Addie mhm-mhm
 18 Brianne 'cause you know
 19 we're just- we're always together
 20 we're always with him
 21 and stuff like that and-
 22 Addie mhm-mhm
 23 Brianne he's a nice gu::y= ((laughing))
 24 Addie mhm-mhm
 25 Brianne but
 26 then I- I just had to stop myself
 27 because I- I just didn't even want to deal with it
 28 because .. things- it was so stupid in a way
 29 because- I don't know
 30 if it was more like 'cause just well he was there
 31 Addie mhm-mhm
 32 Brianne or if I really would have .. picked him out [necessarily]
 33 Addie [mhm-mhm]
 34 mhm-mhm
 35 Brianne but uhm-
 36 'cause there had been something going on
 37 nothing like- they weren't going out or anything [but I
]
 38 Addie [mhm-mhm]
 39 Brianne you know .. some sparks between him and Christina
 40 Addie o::h yeah
 41 Brianne like a few months ago
 42 Addie mhm-mhm
 43 Brianne and then I'm like 'no
 44 I don't want to deal with that [either"]
 45 Addie [mhm-mhm]
 46 Brianne you know I mean
 47 Christina has a boyfriend of course
 48 you [know]
 49 Addie [o::h] yeah

50 Brianne but uhm- (2.5) she kind of had a crush on Peter
 51 Addie uh-huh
 52 Brianne and I- I- I didn't want to get into it
 53 so I just kind of like .. told myself to shut up
 54 Addie a::uh
 55 Brianne like 'don't even think about it
 56 don't even"
 57 Addie oh [yeah]
 58 Brianne [because] you know I just (2.0) I [don't=]
 59 Addie [yeah]
 60 Brianne =think it would work anyway
 61 Addie yeah
 62 Brianne in that situation
 63 you know?
 64 Addie that's fairly prob-
 65 (2.0) yeah
 66 Brianne so it didn't work out either
 67 Addie mhm-mhm
 68 Brianne like you know
 69 we still hang out sometimes
 70 Addie that's good
 71 (2.0) yeah
 72 Brianne see this is one of those things you just get-
 73 it .. comes over you
 74 and then it ((laughing)) goes BACK [and=]
 75 Addie [oh]
 76 Brianne =you just forget that it ever [happened you know?]
 77 Addie [((laughs)) I know]
 78 I know
 79 it happens
 80 yeah
 81 it happened to me
 82 this year with- uhm- (1.0) a different guy
 83 uhm- (1.0) my friend Tom has a- and I- uhm-
 84 (1.0) well Tom's friend Chris=
 85 Brianne mhm-mhm
 86 Addie =he is uhm- a pretty cool guy
 87 and .. I sort of fell for him
 88 Brianne aha ((laughing))
 89 Addie ear- earlier
 90 (1.0) and uhm-
 91 (1.0) you know we had a little something started
 92 Brianne mhm-mhm
 93 Addie and then after that-
 94 Brianne ((laughing)) I know ((giggles))
 95 Addie ((giggles))
 96 Brianne hi hi it's so funny
 97 Addie and then after that .. he just-
 98 it was like he didn't want to
 99 and I was like 'well" .. you know
 100 Brianne [ye:s]
 101 Addie [=but] he did- he didn't seem to show any indication=

102 Brianne mhm-mhm
103 Addie =that he wanted too
104 so then I got-
105 then I just gave up
106 Brianne right
107 Addie I don't know if it's over yet
108 Brianne oh huh huh
109 Addie but I- I guess it is
110 I mean- I- I could probably be persuaded
111 Brianne right ((laughs))
112 Addie you know
113 if he wanted to go out with me
114 I would figure-
115 you know- I would be happy
116 Brianne mhm-mhm
117 Addie I'd probably go out with him
118 but .. [if=]
119 Brianne [sure]
120 Addie =he doesn't then I don't think that's the way to go
121 Brianne mhm-mhm
122 'cause
123 Addie you know I mean I can't force it
124 Brianne (2.0) uhm- the thing that makes me mad is that-
125 you know I mean- I-
126 if we went out it wouldn't be like as serious
127 Addie uh-huh
128 Brianne it would be-
129 I think .. we would be like really good friends
130 Addie uh-huh
131 Brianne but you know
132 not like- 'well
133 we're gonna get engaged"=
134 Addie mhm-mhm
135 Brianne =or something like that [you know?]
136 Addie [mhm-mhm]
137 Brianne just sort of seeing each other you know?
138 Addie uh-huh
139 Brianne but uhm-
140 Addie that's okay
141 Brianne it kind of makes me mad
142 ((giggles)) because he's all of our friends and [things]
143 Addie [oh] yeah
144 Brianne because I know that if he wasn't
145 like if he was just my [friend=]
146 Addie [uh-huh]
147 Brianne =say
148 I know I would go- ((laughs)) I'd be going out with him
149 Addie yeah
150 that's kind of bad
151 aggravating
152 Brianne but because it's nothing that- that's so intense=
153 Addie uh-huh

154 Brianne =or deep
 155 Addie uh-huh
 156 Brianne it's not worth .. messing with
 157 Addie oh yeah
 158 Brianne do you know what I mean?
 159 Addie yeah
 160 kind of
 161 Brianne if it was just me
 162 Addie uh-huh
 163 Brianne (1.0) there would be nothing to=
 164 Addie mhm-mhm
 165 Brianne =worry about messing up
 166 Addie [mhm-mhm]
 167 Brianne [because] well we'd go out whatever
 168 Addie mhm-mhm
 169 Brianne but since .. like he's friends with my friends=
 170 Addie [mhm-mhm]
 171 [=and] my friends are his friends=
 172 Addie [yeah]
 173 Brianne [=and] all this
 174 Brianne [yeah]
 175 Addie [=then]
 176 (1.0) I know there's a trouble there
 177 because girls and boys can get close-
 178 can be .. friends
 179 Brianne mhm-mhm
 180 Addie and then if there's something more in the .. middle of i
 181 Brianne [yeah]
 182 Addie [=then] are you still friends with all those same people
 183 [if it doesn't work out?]
 184 Brianne [yeah exactly]
 185 exact[ly]
 186 Addie [or] if it hurts somebody else?
 187 yeah
 188 I know
 189 Brianne (1.5) and- you know=
 190 Addie I [know]
 191 Brianne [=he's] close to Christina
 192 Addie mhm-mhm
 193 Brianne you know what I mean
 194 Addie yeah
 195 Brianne but the problem [is=]
 196 Addie [you live] with her
 197 Brianne =I live- yeah
 198 I live with her
 199 Addie ((laughs)) I know
 200 Brianne if we have problems-
 201 what if he- he- you know=
 202 Addie yeah
 203 Brianne =they're are good friends
 204 what if he wants to talk to her about it?
 205 Addie right

206 Brianne you [know?]
207 Addie [you] don't want to hear [that=]
208 Brianne [yeah]
209 Addie =right?
210 Brianne yeah.
211 Addie yeah.

No Car

1 Rita yesterday
2 it was two weeks ago
3 I got in a car accident
4 I was going to work
5 and I hit this lady that was turning
6 and I didn't see her
7 so I hit her
8 and she happens to be my aunt.
9 Elaine oh huh huh
10 Rita and then I hit her
11 and then this other car hit me-
12 this big truck hit me in the back.
13 so my car got sandwiched.
14 and now I don't have no car
15 my boyfriend brings me
16 and I'm
17 I'm looking for a new car and everything
18 so I'm like, no car.
19 Elaine okay
20 Rita but I just got whiplash
21 and that's it.
22 Elaine that's it.
23 Rita yeah.
24 Elaine okay
25 I'm glad you're here with us.

Patched Washclothes

1 Frank Grandma Imhof
 2 she was the stingy one
 3 Ned Claire has DARNED dish towels.
 4 Frank HER mother did it.
 5 sure.
 6 Lydia well see
 7 I said if you grew up in a house
 8 where your mother [patched washcloths.]
 9 Ned [remember darning, Sherry?]
 10 Sherry I was going-
 11 "what are DARNED dish towels."
 12 Ned well.
 13 it's when you don't want to say
 14 DAMN dish towels
 15 ((general laughter))
 16 don't you call that process darning?
 17 Lydia but my mother just put them under the sewing
 machine
 18 and took two washcloths
 19 and made one
 20 and PATCHED the middle of a washcloths
 21 when it was worn out.
 22 Ned your mother didn't invent that ((laughs))
 23 Lydia and I said
 24 when you grow up like THAT
 25 it's hard to get with this world
 26 that throws things away.
 27 Claire ((arriving)) here are darned dish towels.
 28 Sherry hu-huh
 29 DARNED dish towels
 30 Lydia but were you ever embarrassed, Claire?
 31 when you invited FRIENDS to your house
 32 did you ever have to be embarrassed?
 33 I was embarrassed when the girls from town
 came
 34 ((laughter from Sherry, Brandon, and others))
 35 Ned our mother was embarrassed?
 36 Lydia and say MY mother's patched washcloths
 37 I tried to hide them really fast.
 38 ((Sherry and Lydia in two-part conversation
 from here on))
 39 Sherry we had a-
 40 my mom always had like a dish cloth
 41 that had holes in it?
 42 and I always still get holes in them
 43 before I throw them away.
 44 and he's like going
 45 "don't you think we need a new dish towel?"
 46 and she always had an old GREEN pad
 47 that she used to scrub the pans with.

48 and we always called it
49 that ratty green pad.
50 and so in my mind
51 it's SUPPOSED to be like
52 really awful and ratty
53 before you throw it away ((laughs))
54 and once a year
55 I buy two new dish cloths
56 whether I need them or not ((laughs)).
57 Lydia ((laughs))

Pillow

1 Beth ... like a nightmare?
2 you woke up with your arms around you.
3 Judy I've had dreams about eating marshmallows
4 I woke up and my pillow was gone.
5 Arnold aw.
6 Beth aw.
7 JUdy.
8 that's silly.

Poodle

1 Jean Annie gave me a permanent once too.
 2 Lynn Annie did?
 3 Jean once and only one.
 4 ((general laughter))
 5 I would never allow her
 6 to touch my hair again.
 7 Lynn well remember the time-
 8 Jean YOOOH.
 9 talk about afro
 10 when afro wasn't even STYLE.
 11 my god.
 12 Annie well see
 13 I STARTED [something.]
 14 Jean [frizz ball.]
 15 I was a frizz ball.
 16 it wasn't even afro.
 17 I was just FRIZZ.
 18 Lynn remember [when-]
 19 Jean [it was] TERRible.
 20 Lynn Jennifer
 21 the first time Jennifer had a perm
 22 when she came home.
 23 it was the funniest thing.
 24 Jean she had put something on her head
 25 a bag or something?
 26 Lynn she wore her-
 27 Annie ((laughs))
 28 Lynn well she wore her-
 29 Helen "hair ball, hair ball"
 30 yeah.
 31 because she-
 32 Annie she just always had this HOOD on.
 33 and she ran right upstairs
 34 Lynn NO.
 35 FIRST she THREW her bag up the stairs
 36 almost HIT me.
 37 Annie oh yeah.
 38 Lynn then "BANG."
 39 the door slams.
 40 and I'm like-
 41 I was on the PHONE
 42 I was like
 43 "ah I don't know.
 44 my sister just walked in.
 45 I think something's wrong."
 46 and [then she ran up the stairs.]
 47 Annie [oh that's it]
 48 "I look like a damn POODLE."
 49 ((general laughter))
 50 Lynn like SOBbing

51 "I look like a poodle."
52 Helen ((laughs))
53 Annie then she came down to eat
54 and she'd WRAPPED a towel around her head.
55 Helen ((laughs))
56 Lynn she barricaded herself for a while in her room.
57 Jean MY hair takes like THIS.
58 I mean.
59 Annie yeah.

Pool Hall

1 Stuart it's like I don't know
 2 it's not my thing
 3 it's just my hobby.
 4 Ellen no [I understand.]
 5 Stuart [it's just a pastime]
 6 Ellen I had a
 7 there was a girl in my house
 8 when I was an undergraduate
 9 and she
 10 and her friend used to get dressed up
 11 and they'd wear
 12 what I thought was kind of sleazy clothing
 13 and the'd go um to pool halls
 14 or to bars really-
 15 Stuart uh-huh
 16 Ellen and they'd play a couple games
 17 and they wouldn't play very well.
 18 and so guys would want to come up
 19 and bet them
 20 and then
 21 and uh so they'd lose the first game
 22 and they'd jerk them for the next three.
 23 they were so good.
 24 but I think the dress
 25 and the uh
 26 the being w- women
 27 had a lot to do
 28 with being able to draw the [the guys in]
 29 Stuart [yeah.]
 30 Ellen the guys thought
 31 they were going to be making easy money
 32 and [then they-]
 33 Stuart [yeah I've] got a good friend
 34 Sheree
 35 who works down at The Den.
 36 she's really good.
 37 she even has a shark
 38 a little shark on her poolcase.
 39 Ellen really?
 40 ((laughing))
 41 [people still don't get it?]
 42 Stuart [(and when she closes the thing-)]
 43 NO
 44 they don't GET it.
 45 it's terrible.
 46 but she's good
 47 and she doesn't have to hustle anybody.
 48 Ellen ((laughing))
 49 well that's funny.
 50 it's funny-

51 Stuart tricks of the trade.

Return To School

1 Conrad ((laughs))
 2 and it was-
 3 it was just a QUIET year.
 4 and then uh
 5 as time went by
 6 and I was thinking about it
 7 and then I had this hormone kick me
 8 and I was going to quit my job.
 9 go back to school.
 10 "I'm going to do it."
 11 and THEN my company decided
 12 that they wanted to cut back on- on STAFF.
 13 but they didn't want to lay anybody off.
 14 and what they decided to do
 15 was to-
 16 to offer an early retirement package
 17 and they said
 18 "what we'll offer you is-"
 19 y'know they wanted to go
 20 "we'll offer you a package."
 21 and so it-
 22 you could either retire early
 23 or make a transition within the firm.
 24 and I heard these words
 25 and I heard these words
 26 and I thought "oh" y'know
 27 "God is speaking [to me]"
 28 Diana [yes.]
 29 Conrad y'know god is saying
 30 "Conrad DO it."
 31 Diana "here it is."
 32 Conrad yeah.
 33 Diana "here's the way to do it."
 34 Conrad uh-huh
 35 yeah.
 36 and that was just the-
 37 that was like the-
 38 the last nail
 39 that needed to be driven into the- the board.
 40 Diana that's great.
 41 Conrad and I thought "okay."
 42 and- and actually I'd been talking to y'know
 43 my boss first.
 44 y'know I said y'know
 45 A few weeks before I quit
 46 I said y'know
 47 "I'm thinking real seriously about changing careers
 48 and going back to teaching
 49 and I just found out how.
 50 I want you to know that

51 because if I do that
52 and I just-
53 and she sat down
54 and she thanked me for saying it.
55 and then when I actually DID it
56 it still kind of shocked everybody.
57 but- but I'm glad
58 that I spoke my mind BEFORE that
59 [because]
60 Diana [absolutely]
61 Conrad yeah.
62 because then they-
63 you know
64 they kind of understood
65 and then they-
66 they didn't think I was just-
67 you know grabbing this- all this money
68 [and]
69 Diana [right.]
70 Conrad and running with it.
71 Diana right.
72 Conrad so at least they knew
73 that my heart was in it.
74 Diana that's right.
75 Conrad and uh
76 and so I did that
77 and- and "here I am."
78 Diana well we're glad you're here.

Rubber Wallets

1 Frank we don't tear out coupons.
2 Brandon I think you've got to enjoy the process.
3 Frank we don't.
4 Brandon I don't
5 Frank so::
6 Brandon she does.
7 she's religious about it.
8 Sherry what, hon. ((just tuning in to this conversation))
9 Brandon coupons.
10 Lydia how I know she's the coupon lady.
11 I've told the cute story
12 about Elizabeth saying
13 when her mom's ready to go out to the store
14 "got the coupons mom?"
15 I though that was the cutest thing I'd ever heard.
16 Brandon did you hear the one the other day?
17 tell the one about you
18 in the grocery store Sher.
19 Sherry I was-
20 I saw this NEW yogurt
21 that had only fifty calories
22 and you know
23 they have the Yoplait
24 that's a hundred and fifty
25 and the other is ninety
26 and Weight Watchers has a ninety calories one-
27 this one was FIFty calories
28 and I just looked at it
29 and I went- (1.0) wow.
30 and Elizabeth said "what?
31 did you see a really good prize mom?" ((laughs))
32 Lydia isn't that embarrassing ((laughs))
33 Sherry ((laughs))
34 and I just started LAUGhing and laughing
35 and I hugged her
36 and she was saying
37 "well, was it?
38 was it?"
39 said "no honey
40 I"
41 Lydia maybe you'll have the joy
42 of having YOUR children tell YOU
43 what I've had them say to me about my uh
44 rubber wallets?
45 and their scrounging cheap mother.
46 I've been TOLD that often.
47 so I hope it happens to you too.
48 Brandon rubber wallets?
49 Lydia Henry still today
50 kids me about RUBber wallets.

51 Ned I don't remember.
52 Lydia I wouldn't BUY the boys little leather wallets
53 when they were little.
54 and he calls the RUBBER
55 Sherry ((laughs))
56 Lydia because he thinks
57 his mother's such a terrible cheapskate
58 Brandon Henry?
59 Lydia oh yes.
60 he never lets me forget that.
61 rubber wallets ((laughing))
62 Ned ((laughs))
63 Lydia and I know the exact little wallets
64 he's talking about.
65 I can SEE it
66 as if it were yesterday.

School Bus

1 Annie it must have been a new bus driver
 2 the fellow the other day.
 3 Jean mm?
 4 Annie what was it- Tuesday.
 5 so he went out
 6 and he's waiting for the bus
 7 and I see the bus coming.
 8 and he says "the bus is coming"
 9 he's all slow and everything
 10 and I think "whoops
 11 something's wrong with the bus" you know
 12 and he turned the corner
 13 and he made a dead stop
 14 right at the corner
 15 and I said "oh
 16 the bus isn't going to make it."
 17 well
 18 he kind of inched up towards Philip
 19 and he Philip got on the bus
 20 ((laughs)) the bus-
 21 he probably wasn't sure where he was going
 22 when Philip came home I said
 23 "what was wrong with the bus?"
 24 and he said
 25 "a different bus driver."
 26 he said "he was passing all these kids
 27 waiting for that bus sign."
 28 and the guy-
 29 and the guy would say to the kids on the bus
 30 "is that one of ours?"
 31 All ((laughter))
 32 Jean did he pass it?
 33 Annie yeah.
 34 you know "oh well."
 35 and he just kept going
 36 and he-
 37 Philip said he was going like ninety.
 38 Jean ((laughs)) [well it wasn't I mean]
 39 Lynn [((laughing)) yeah]
 40 Annie it probably felt like it.
 41 then he
 42 finally he passed one kid
 43 and you know
 44 "was that one of ours?"
 45 and they said "yeah."
 46 and he said
 47 "oh maybe I should
 48 you know [go back and]
 49 Jean [go back]
 50 Annie pick them-"

51 I'm thinking
52 "how many kids did he [leave back there.]"
((laughs))
53 Jean [how many did he leave behind?]

Seascape

1 Robert my mother uh
2 always had numerous projects going on
3 tsk
4 and uh she often painted-
5 did oil paintings.
6 and she did all right with them
7 well all this time
8 when she was doing a seascape
9 we ha-
10 we had just gotten new carpeting installed
11 in the downstairs.
12 I mean all the way around the horn.
13 this this was in a game room
14 a living room
15 a dining room
16 and um and a den
17 in a large downtown uh uh
18 large downstairs area.
19 and uh we had a little fox terrier
20 a rather frisky fox terrier.
21 and uh one one morning
22 uh we woke up
23 to the sound of a lot of little paws
24 running all over the place.
25 and uh what had happened was
26 Mandy this little mutt
27 had knocked the seascape down
28 but it had landed face up.
29 and she proceeded to run through the seascape
30 and then around the house
31 and through the seascape again
32 and around the house
33 all over the new gold-colored carpeting
34 were little paw prints
35 of white and blue and green.
36 and uh- it took a long time to get that up.

Sewing Machine

1 Pat I want you to know
2 that I burned myself the day of the garage
sale.

3 Mary m-hm.

4 Amy could I have a napkin while you're up?

5 Pat Nancy sold uh
6 Nancy was selling ... her mother's sewing
machine.

7 Mary m-hm. ((door closes))
8 thank you.

9 Pat so what- a an Indian couple came
10 or an Arabian
11 Mary ° that's scary. °
12 Amy Arabian ((laughing)).
13 Mary ((laughing)) Arabian.
14 ° they come in on little camels. °
15 ((general laughter))

16 Pat they were asking me about the sewing machine,
17 and I am telling them that
18 it's not my sewing machine,
19 and I don't know anything about it,
20 the woman isn't here,
21 I don't know how to sew,
22 ((4.0 Pause to drink))
23 so he's talking to me
24 and I ... said
25 I can just show you how it opens
26 and whatever
27 and (3)
28 her husband is right behind me
29 and I'm talking and talking. (5)
30 and I thought he would help me
31 because I had a cigarette in my hand,
32 I thought he would help me y'know?
33 Mary uh-huh

34 Pat and I swung around,
35 and he's gone (1)
36 I don't know where he went.
37 talking to somebody in the garage. (1)
38 and I don't know what I did
39 as I tried to open the top,
40 the cigarette went underneath my fingernail
41 Amy .hhhhhh

42 Pat in TWO shakes (1)
43 I ha- by the time I got back to the garage
44 I had a blister.
45 that's how bad I burned myself.

46 Mary mm, mm,
47 wow,
48 gee.

49 Pat I could have gladly killed that guy.

Spade

1 Steve yeah I mean
 2 the most hilarious thing I saw as a kid growing up
 3 was in sixth or seventh grade.
 4 in sixth or seventh grade we lived outside of uh
 5 Philadelphia.
 6 and these two brothers lived across the street.
 7 Mark and Paul Tulano.
 8 and they were very loud
 9 very Italian young men.
 10 they were in fifth and sixth grade at the time.
 11 and uh
 12 they were always fighting about one thing or
 another.
 13 well Paul
 14 my friend
 15 uh got stuck with uh
 16 digging up the garden in the back of the yard
 17 with a spade.
 18 and Mark kept coming around
 19 uh to tease him.
 20 to tease Paul.
 21 and uh you know
 22 Paul's working with a spade.
 23 and he says
 24 "if you don't leave
 25 I'm going to clunk you over the head
 26 with this thing."
 27 and uh ((cough))
 28 and Mark's saying
 29 "there's no way
 30 that you're going to be like that
 31 because you you just won't do that stuff."
 32 "I will I will I will."
 33 so this guy started chasing him
 34 kind of like like around the:
 35 the patch where the garden was.
 36 and finally um uh uh his-
 37 the younger brother-
 38 uh Mark just ran off.
 39 and uh he was-
 40 he had to have been twenty-five, thirty yards away
 41 and Paul w- went back with a shovel
 42 hurdled it
 43 I mean y'know just threw it.
 44 Art, Jill ((laugh))
 45 Steve and I mean
 46 what is the likelihood of that thing-
 47 that damn shovel came right down on [his head.]
 48 Art, Jill ((laugh))
 49 Steve I mean- I mean it came down

50 and it FLATtened him ((Steve punctuates with hand
 clap))
51 I mean he fell flat on the ground
52 I mean he had a rip in the back of his head.
53 Art oh-oh
54 Steve and he thought he was dead.
55 and of course he wasn't.
56 he was just knocked-out a little bit
57 and had a nasty concussion
58 and so on and so forth.
59 but um
60 I mean who would of THOUGHT
61 that that shovel and that boy
62 would have connected at THAT DISTANCE.

Spin Out

1 Ralph so how many cars spun out there?
2 [counting you.]
3 Mary [three.]
4 three while we were there. (4)
5 and Brad says
6 "that's the only thing I have in my defense
7 that I wasn't driving too fast."
8 (2)
9 Amy yeah that's probably the only thing
10 that's keeping him,
11 Mary because he does,
12 he blames himself because-
13 Pat oh, ... it's so foolish to blame yourself
14 when you think about it afterwards
15 it happened.
16 it's over
17 Mary and then he said he was coming over.
18 he said "I can't get it out of my mind."
19 he said "I just keep playing it
20 over and over and over in my mind."
21 he said "I can't get it out."
22 and he doesn't remember too much about it.
23 Pat you never do,
24 because it takes SECONDS for it to happen
25 Mary he- I can-
26 he fought the car for a .. good ten, fifteen
 seconds
27 before we lost total control.
28 Pat well (1) the only thing you can both say
29 is thank God you're safe.
30 that's all.
31 Amy did he hit the brakes at all?
32 Mary no.
33 he didn't touch the brakes.
34 (2)
35 Amy now see what-
36 Pat that's where I make MY mistake.
37 Amy see, I slid a couple times
38 but I PUMPED the brakes.
39 that one time, I was coming down a HILL.
40 and there was a car stopped at a red-light.
 (1)
41 and when I hit the brakes the FIRST time, ...
42 I SLID.
43 and I was only less than a car-length away
 from him,
44 so I just started SLAMming them down.
45 and I stopped within inches of his bumper.
46 Ralph that doesn't do any good.
47 slamming them down

48 isn't going to do you any good.
49 you're going to-
50 Amy yeah, but it was=
51 Ralph =it's going to throw you into another skid.
52 Amy yeah, but it was pumping them
53 and it got me STOPPED.
54 I mean,
55 as long as I didn't hit him into the
 intersection.

Stomper

1 Scottie oh, I've got one
2 ((laughter))
3 Pam oh good
4 Scottie you ever-
5 do you remember those little motorized toy cars?
6 they're little toy monster trucks
7 as a matter of fact
8 they were called "stompers"
9 and they had-
10 you put a little battery in there
11 and they had little wheels that would go?
12 well anyway, I wa-
13 I was playing with my cousin once
14 and he put one in my HAIR and
15 ((laughter))
16 and they've got a pretty good little motor on them
17 ((laughter))
18 and they really go.
19 ((laughter))
20 and in fact it had taken up y'know
21 most of the hair
22 that I had at that TIME.
23 so I was-
24 and it just kept ((imitates motor sound))
25 and the we were like-
26 and he was-
27 offered to shave my head at the time
28 and he had a pair of scissors out
29 and was ready to do it.
30 and I was like "uhm
31 we can't do that."
32 and he was like "oh
33 we got to."
34 and uh so I was like
35 "no, no I- I-"
36 there was no way I can let him do that
37 and and finally
38 I managed to just by brute force
39 sort of TEAR it out.
40 Pam god
41 Scottie which was probably also not the best idea
42 but y'know relatively
43 you couldn't really see
44 the great big patch of scalp there
45 uhm but it turned out
46 I was talking
47 because my parents noticed
48 and talked to HIS parents
49 and apparently he had done it
50 to three other people

51

((laughter))

Superglue

1 Woody my former-
2 my former significant other
3 was also one of these uh people-
4 one of these women with many projects
5 going all the time
6 and uh
7 one afternoon I came in for lunch
8 and she had fed the children
9 and um told me
10 that there were some rolls
11 over on a plate for me.
12 and in the MEANTIME
13 she was gluing some uh earrings together
14 uh with superglue
15 and uh they were fresh
16 hot rolls right-
17 y'know right out of the oven
18 and y'know slap a little butter on them
19 they're irresistible.
20 so I did that.
21 posthaste.
22 butter on two of these rolls
23 gobbled them up
24 and I began to notice a strange sensation
25 on the inside of my mouth-
26 the right inside of my mouth.
27 and it felt like
28 the mouth was actually going numb
29 AND that things were beginning to freeze together
30 and sure enough
31 I had swallowed superglue.
32 um I had chewed superglue into my teeth
33 and into my mouth
34 so that my
35 uh my cheek was was caved-
36 was glued to the upper part of [my teeth]
37 Audience [((scattered laughter))]
38 Woody and my gums
39 and uh
40 when she realized
41 what sh- she had done-
42 apparently had been working with the glue
43 on one paper plate
44 and then set that aside
45 and put the rolls on TOP of that
46 she needed to call the poison center.
47 and uh
48 even though there was this toxic warning on the superglu
49 these uh poison center people said
50 that it's not toxic at all.

51 y'know "just" uh y'know
52 "just suck a lot of water down."
53 BUT my mouth-
54 the right side of my mouth
55 was pretty much frozen shut ((spoken with clenched jaw
until 1.57 and amid general listener laughter))
56 like this
57 and I was talking through my teeth
58 and we administered lots of water
59 and uh
60 I lived to tell the story.
61 Scott how long did it take
62 for it to un-stuck?
63 Woody uh it was about forty-five minutes of
64 uh fl-flushing.
65 regular flushing
66 although that may be exaggerating.
67 BUT anyways.

Three little pigs

1 Jack now that you're at it
2 why don't you tell the three little pigs?
3 Joyce oh I've got a captive audience here.
4 once upon time was
5 there was three little pigs
6 three little pigs
7 Sandra is it yours?
8 is it yours?
9 is that yours? ((pointing to a coffee cup))
10 Joyce oh not the three little bears.
11 Ted yeah
12 three little pigs
13 yeah.
14 Joyce and they all decided to build their different houses.
15 and one of the pigs decided
16 to build his house of straw.
17 and the other pig decided
18 to build his house of wood.
19 and the third decided
20 to build his house out of stone.
21 so they each built their little house
22 and they were happy
23 doing what little pigs do.
24 we are not sure
25 what that little pigs do
26 but they were happy doing
27 what little pigs do.
28 so then a big bad wolf came
29 and he's
30 he knocked on the door
31 and he said
32 "little pig, little pig
33 let me in."
34 and the pig said
35 "not by the hair of my chinny chin chin."
36 and the wolf
37 he huffed and he puffed
38 and he blew the house of straw down.
39 and the little pig went round
40 and round and round
41 scrambling to the house of wood.
42 and the wolf knocked on the door
43 "little pig, little pig
44 let me in."
45 and the pigs both said
46 "not by the hair on my chinny chin chin."
47 and the wolf
48 he huffed and he puffed
49 and he blew the house down.
50 so the two little pigs scurried out

51 and ran to the house of bricks.
52 and once again
53 the wolf knocked on the door and said
54 "little pigs, little pgs
55 let me in."
56 and they all echoed
57 "not on the-
58 not by the hair
59 o my chinny chin chin."
60 and he huffed
61 and he puffed
62 and he huffed
63 and he puffed
64 and he blew
65 and he blew
66 but he couldn't blow the house down.
67 and that's how the three little pigs stayed alive
68 and that's the end of the story.
69 is that how you all tell it?
70 Ted no
71 ((general laughter))

Tipsy

1 Annie and I always thought
2 that her and Vance just were great [together].
3 Jean [yeah]
4 used to [get s-]
5 Helen [they were both] good.
6 Jean you could go over there
7 around the holidays
8 and get SMASHED before you left [the place]
9 Helen [oh yeah.]
10 Jean we used to have the last appointment, right?
11 remember
12 the two of us would go?
13 Annie yeah, yeah.
14 Jean "want some wine girls?"
15 "sure we'll have a glass of wine."
16 you walk out there half TIPSy.
17 Annie you were under the DRYers.
18 Jean well sure.
19 and he'd be pouring the wine
20 and we were tipsy by the time we walked out of
that place.
21 Annie the he had moved all the way out
22 at Rand Road.
23 Jean near the town show, remember?
24 Annie yeah.
25 Jean [we went there.]
26 Annie [we used to go there.]
27 and then we went on to Union Road
28 when he was there.
29 Jean yeah.
30 yeah.
31 we followed him around.

Tooth

1 John the important thing-
2 one of the important things to know
3 is that I come from a town
4 where there's I don't know a thousand people.
5 uh its on the river.
6 people there aren't too
7 aren't too educated.
8 my- my dad works there
9 did work there
10 he's a tsk
11 a- dental laboratory technician.
12 he makes- dentures.
13 things like that.
14 um anyway
15 he's down at the tavern one day
16 and and this fisherman comes up.
17 and the fisherman's well known around that part
18 for being very very big and strong
19 a lot of stories told about him actually.
20 but not overly bright.
21 and and he comes up and says
22 that that he had got a tooth knocked-out
23 in a bar fight with a pool stick.
24 and and he had-
25 he still had the tooth.
26 but but his wife was unemployed
27 so they didn't have any medical insurance right then
28 okay?
29 so so he asked my dad.
30 he says "well
31 pretty soon she's gonna get on
32 up at this factory that's nearby
33 and and you know
34 we'll be able to get it fixed.
35 properly.
36 and get it-
37 get a bridge or a partial denture
38 or whatever's needed in there.
39 and he says uh tsk
40 but y'know a little while-
41 ways back my uh
42 my cousin broke his dentures
43 and a tooth fell out
44 and he just took some of that superglue
45 and he stuck it back in
46 ((listener laughter))
47 and you know it held until later
48 and then
49 and then he could get it fixed
50 and and so

51 so the guy asked my dad.
52 and this probably isn't the best person to ask
53 because my dad's
54 my dad's got a sense of humor
55 and he says "oh
56 why couldn't I just take some superglue
57 and put it on the end of the tooth
58 and you know
59 stick it back in there for now
60 and you know
61 then I'll get it fixed right later on."
62 my dad says "y'know
63 nobody else probably could do that
64 but I think I think
65 that would be just okay for you."
66 and then so the guy
67 the guy goes on about his way
68 and is supposedly
69 is going to get some some uh-
70 some superglue.
71 anyway
72 my brother's down at the tavern
73 a couple days later
74 and he sees the guy
75 and the guy's got a great big chunk
76 uh chunk gone out of his lip.
77 ((listener: uh oh))
78 and and and
79 and and he says uh-
80 my brother's already heard this story
81 my dad came home
82 way laughing all over the place
83 and uh my brother said to him
84 "so how'd the tooth go Norman?"
85 and Norman says
86 "well it worked just fine
87 but then I got my finger stuck on my lip."
88 ((listener laughter))
89 the tooth was in there though.

Tornado

1 Bea we grew up in Missouri
2 in tornado alley
3 and it was always .. bad weather
4 we could look for it from March until October
5 there could be those old twisters
6 ehmjt
7 fall out of the sky.
8 and this summer
9 when we were traveling to uh
10 to uh Louisville to visit our son
11 we were watching the clouds
12 and and I told Ray
13 I said "I think we better start finding some way
14 to get off this expressway."
15 we were hammed-in in construction
16 and I said
17 "those skies .. look very threatening."
18 and so he just merely speeded up
19 there was no way to get off the expressway
20 we just got out of Louisville
21 and just a few minutes later
22 that big tornado cut right across that highway
23 where we'd been.
24 and he asked me
25 "how did you know that that sky
26 way any worse than any other sky?"
27 and I said "well
28 there was one summer where we uh chronicled."
29 we kept a daily diary of all the funnels
30 that we actually sighted ourselves.
31 and we came up with two hundred
32 in one summer.
33 so I said "um
34 got to look for
35 to the skies after that."

Tummy

1 Jim wh- what were saying
2 we ought to hear?
3 Vera Sara asked about SEX today.
4 pretty directly.
5 Pamela in the car
6 on the way to UPS.
7 Vera Pamela's been wanting to tell this.
8 Teddy what'd she say?
9 Pamela completely-
10 well, how does SPERM get into my TUMmy?
11 into Mommy's tummy.
12 Teddy that's about sex, yeah ((laughs))
13 Jim ((laughs))
14 Pamela and I just went "eeyou." ((knocks over coffee cup))
15 Vera oh that's a TOUGH one.
16 Pamela and y'know
17 it really was kinda TOUGH to answer.
18 Vera you were driving too, right?
19 Pamela yeah I was driving too ((laughing))
20 Vera oh ((laughs))
21 Pamela and we were in a hurry.
22 Teddy yeah you knocked your coffee over
23 just telling about [it ((laughs))]
24 Jim [((laughs))]
25 Vera ((laughs))
26 Teddy whoah.
27 Pamela it's more difficult to-
28 Vera do you need a napkin.
29 Pamela I do need SOMETHing.
30 Vera let me give you something here.
31 Pamela well I just told her
32 you just have to REALLY get close together
((laughs))
33 Teddy, ((laugh))
Jim
34 Pamela why are you LAUGHING?
35 she was very-
36 you have to cuddle
37 and y'know.
38 she didn't want to know more than that.
39 Teddy no they never do.
40 that's the funny thing.
41 Pamela but
42 ah thank you ((to Vera for napkin))
43 ((laughs))
44 Vera that sure would throw you ((laughs))
45 Teddy my mom tells the story of having-
46 she was READING in the book-
47 Pamela this was so completely-
48 I mean why?

49 we were-
50 Teddy they never ask you
51 when you expect them to.
52 Pamela she didn't want to come with me to UPS.
53 Teddy no.
54 Pamela they were kind of having arguments upstairs
55 and I said
56 one of you will come with me
57 our guests will come in about twenty minutes
58 and here asks me this question ((laughing))
59 and I was "oh."
60 it was really cute.

Twins

1 ((Alice and Nell looking at pictures of
 (grand-)children
 2 Alice people have asked us
 3 "are they twins?"
 4 not just once
 5 ((to Earl)) how often have people asked us
 6 if they're twins
 7 if our kids are twins.
 8 Earl well.
 9 Alice I mean seriously
 10 Earl fairly often.
 11 Alice fairly often.
 12 Earl more often than I would've imagined.
 13 yeah.
 14 I consider it such a stupid question.
 15 for me it's=
 16 Nell = when we moved to Pennsylvania
 17 randy and Earl walked to school by some
 neighbors.
 18 and I met that lady one day
 19 when we were very new
 20 and she said
 21 "oh you're the one with the twins."
 22 and I said "oh no
 23 maybe you mean my boys
 24 that are a year and a half apart."
 25 "oh no
 26 they're twins." ((laughing))
 27 this lady was telling me
 28 "oh no, they're twins."
 29 I said "I have sons
 30 a year and a half apart."
 31 "ah well
 32 I think they look like twins."
 33 and I could've just throttled that woman=
 34 Earl =this was like the guy
 35 who said to me
 36 when I said Coco has just turned three-
 37 no
 38 SHE said
 39 "oh you mean four."
 40 Nell isn't that charming
 41 Earl I said
 42 Nell when somebody tells the parents
 43 what-
 44 Earl "she's my daughter.
 45 she's three."
 46 Nell I could've just KICKED that woman
 47 "on no
 48 they're twins." ((laughing))

Up and Over

1 Pat but she found a different place
 2 because she said
 3 she doesn't like to go over on Flavey Road.
 4 (1.7) Flavey Road is where that
 5 Ralph truck
 6 Pat truck went over the
 7 Ralph m- car
 8 Pat car killed three people from Grant Lake.
 9 Mary what do you mean the truck went over?
 10 over what?
 11 Ralph [guy from Atlanta]
 12 Pat [guy] drove all the way over from Atlanta
 13 without a s- without making a ... rest stop.
 14 he had- he didn't have any sleep.
 15 Ralph isn't it amazing
 16 Amy so?
 17 Ralph then he r- then he ran into a car,
 18 Pat got off-
 19 Ralph I think he burst into flames, didn't he?
 20 Pat m-hm
 21 ca-the truck ran right over.
 22 Ralph ran right over him.
 23 Pat right up and over
 24 and killed three young people.
 25 Mary up and over what?
 26 Ralph [a CAR]
 27 Pat [a CAR]
 28 Ralph [at an exit ramp.]
 29 Pat [with three young] coup-
 30 three young people in it
 31 from the Grant Lake .. Naval Base.
 32 Ralph Wow
 33 Amy you just kept saying "up and over,
 34 up and over,
 35 up and over."
 36 Ralph forget it.
 37 Mary [did the truck driver die?]
 38 Ralph [just call me if you get too much news.]
 39 what?
 40 Ralph just kidding
 41 Mary they should shoot him.
 42 Ralph hohhhh ((with strong exhalation))
 43 Mary well, that's what he deserves, isn't it?
 44 Pat well, he certainly deserves to go to jail.
 45 Mary [did he?]
 46 Amy [were all three people killed?]
 47 Pat ha, you never read a follow-up.
 48 Amy all three people were killed?
 49 Pat yeah, they were all like y'know
 50 twenty-one, twenty-two.

51 Ralph yeah, they were about the same.
52 Amy what would you charge him with
53 Mary with three counts of manslaughter.
54 Ralph probably manslaughter.
55 (3.2) ((clock strikes in hall))
56 Amy [I think that reckless driving would be-]
57 Mary [reckless driving,]
58 three counts of manslaughter.
59 whole tons of things.
60 Pat he WAS probably [asleep.]
61 Ralph [your clock's slow too.]
62 Pat hm?
63 Ralph your clock's slow, too.
64 oh you took the battery out
65 Amy what kind of truck was he driving?
66 Pat yeah, but I fixed them, after.
67 Ralph that one, too?
68 Pat probably.
69 Amy and I did it.
70 Amy what kind of truck [was he driving?]
71 Ralph [that one is five minutes slow.]
72 Amy so was your truck DRIVER.
73 Ralph because your VCR is slow.
74 Mary m-hm
75 Ralph like [almost thirty- fifteen minutes.]
76 Amy [obvious that you killed somebody]
77 if it went up and over.
78 Mary I know, its-.
79 Pat but Flavey Road,
80 there's been a lot of accidents at Flavey Road
81 because evidently it's a funny intersection.

Woolly Mammoth

1 Erik didn't they
2 didn't you ever hear
3 that they they found an entire woolly mammoth
4 frozen.
5 Jacob yeah, and they ate it.
6 Erik an entire one tough.
7 Jacob yeah.
8 Erik almost practically whole.
9 Jacob Yeah
10 like almost perfectly .. preserved.
11 Erik yeah, Mark was- Mark thought it was
12 like they just found a LEG.
13 I told him
14 they found the entire woolly mammoth.
15 Jacob and they-
16 y'know that it just weighed so much
17 that they just ATE part of it.
18 I think they had some scientist guys
19 and they had like a banquet
20 and they ate it.
21 Erik where did you see that?
22 Jacob I don't remember where.
23 maybe I just dreamed it.
24 I dream things
25 and mistake them for reality.
26 but I think it's real.
27 Erik I thought it was real too
28 so-
29 Jacob maybe I told .. you though
30 Erik no, you
31 I read it somewhere.