29. What Am I Fingering?

**Greta** 00:00

I'm gonna light a candle Richard.

**Richard** 00:02

Oh that's nice.

**Greta** 00:03

With a very, very dilapidated matchbox.

**Greta** 00:06

[Greta strikes the match] There it is.

**Richard** 00:09

Yes.

**Richard** 00:10

I love the sound of the crackling wax, I'm going to light a candle on my side as well. I'm using a lighter, and you'll hear the click of the electric spark.

**Richard** 00:22

[He lights the lighter] She's up and running

**Greta** 00:26

You don't get that lovely after smell of the wood, you know with the lighter.

**Richard** 00:30

With the lighter no, if you- if you don't cause it to light though you can sniff the butane. Oh, folks, that was a mistake, you know, ever do something as a joke and then regret it immediately.

**Greta** 00:43

Is it- does it get a little Amyl nitrate or is it more just like petrol?

**Richard** 00:47

it what it is is an instant sort of nauseous feeling in my stomach.

**Greta** 00:52

Oh shit.

**Richard** 00:53

You know?

**Greta** 00:54

Do people do that for kicks?

**Richard** 00:56

Sniff butane?

**Greta** 00:56

Yeah.

**Richard** 00:58

You know, there's, there's something for everyone. Or there's someone for everything might be the more- because there's so many of us and we have so many different desires. Some might like the smell of butane, who knows?

**Greta** 01:10

I do like the smell of unleaded petrol in the car.

**Richard** 01:15

Yeah, you could almost drink it.

**Greta** 01:17

It's a difficult height that my cap is in. I tend to hinge from the hip. Yeah, I keep the back straight but that's like, that's a pretty sexy position to your car and you know, but if I want to get my nose real near it to enjoy that smell.

**Richard** 01:31

This is really working for me.

**Richard** 01:31

Yes.

**Greta** 01:31

That's how I ended up beckoning, you know?

**Greta** 01:36

I have made a drink.

**Richard** 01:38

Yes.

**Greta** 01:39

Ginger, lemon. A deliciously traditional elderflower and apple press.

**Richard** 01:47

Yes, yes, pressed the juice.

**Greta** 01:49

And to that I've added some coriander and some ice. Have you tried it yet?

**Richard** 01:54

Yes, I have not. Gonna try it now.

**Greta** 01:58

Oh, didn't I swish it all over my thigh.

**Richard** 02:01

Oh, nice cool drink for the thigh.

**Richard** 02:07

[He sips] Mmm Greta. You wouldn't know that wasn't a cocktail.

**Greta** 02:12

Was that sweet enough for you?

**Richard** 02:16

[He sips again] Absolutely. I don't like my drinks too sweet. You know, it's definitely sweet enough.

**Greta** 02:23

I mean, I'd love to miniaturise and go walking over your taste buds. You know, like, I want to know the landscape of them and it must differ from person to person. I mean, your mountains might be where my creeks are.

**Richard** 02:34

Yes, absolutely. You know, and what flavours rushed down those creeks and what spices stride those high peaks.

**Greta** 02:43

Where does it rain?

**Richard** 02:44

Yes.

**Greta** 02:44

Where did the flowers grow?

**Richard** 02:46

Oh, goodness.

**Greta** 02:47

To miniaturise you know, hold hands as we cross each other's tongues, you know? If you could do both.

**Richard** 02:52

Yes. Yes. The paradox therein does, does excite the mind.

**Greta** 02:58

Yeah, I mean, are you- you've got to get cloned.

**Richard** 03:01

Yes.

**Greta** 03:02

For this and for me to be able to walk across your tongue with you. So then we have a problem.

**Richard** 03:07

Yes. Cloned and shrunk. You know, imagine another "Honey, I Shrunk the Kids" but "Honey, I Cloned Myself, and then Shrunk Myself".

**Greta** 03:18

Accidentally swallowed myself as I took a stroll over my own tongue, you know, well, let's solve the problem.

**Richard** 03:24

And then I was back to just one guy.

**Greta** 03:26

But unfortunately I went down with you because holding hands so tightly I was, and then.

**Richard** 03:31

Yes.

**Greta** 03:31

I forgot to clone myself.

**Richard** 03:33

Yes.

**Greta** 03:33

I just miniaturised

**Richard** 03:35

Yes, and then we had to go get Dennis Quaid from the vintage film Innerspace and shrink him and send him into me in search of Greta.

**Greta** 03:47

I was having such a ball down there. I didn't know there was something bad happening.

**Richard** 03:52

I guess you had a second Richard down there too.

**Greta** 03:54

Yeah, I mean, the tiny Richard we're having a great time in the lungs you know, bouncing around like a soft play experiment.

**Richard** 04:02

Yes, so the three of us would go around Little Richard, Tiny Greta and Tiny Dennis Quaid. Imagine having to tell Big Richard that you, Little Richard and Little Dennis Quaid had a threesome inside me.

**Greta** 04:17

Oh my God and you say which Little Richard.

**Richard** 04:19

And then kind of disappointed that it's me and not that Little Richard.

04:23

[Music](Both Singing) Richard and Greta, gonna make your lives better, today.

**Richard** 04:33

I've got very bad hay fever folks, and I'm on a mega ton of antihistamine.

**Greta** 04:40

Are you on Piriton?

**Richard** 04:41

I'm on Piriton, Piriteze, Claritin and Benadryl.

**Greta** 04:47

That was a deep wheeze, is this your allergies?

**Richard** 04:49

It's my allergy wheeze.

**Greta** 04:50

Oh my god. Do you need an-

**Richard** 04:52

[He wheezes]

**Greta** 04:52

an inhaler?

**Richard** 04:53

Yes. I like my esophagus to sound like I'm emerging from a sarcophagus.

**Greta** 04:58

Sorry that you're dealing with allergies that is, that's really unfair. Spring time, she is cruel.

**Richard** 05:06

Yes, but beautiful. Yeah, it is unfair, you know. Oh, look at the beautiful flowers. Hey Richard, why don't you turn into a bag of shit?

05:14

[Short Musical Intermission]

**Richard** 05:15

I would like you to review for me, the foodstuff: the chickpea,

**Greta** 05:23

Out of nowhere, the chickpea.

**Richard** 05:25

Yes.

**Greta** 05:26

I really love lentil chips, which are not made from chickpeas. But if you dip a lentil chip into a chickpea hummus.

**Richard** 05:38

Yes.

**Greta** 05:39

Then you're having a great night. But if you want to use a chickpea snack and dip that into a chickpea hummus,

**Richard** 05:48

Yes.

**Greta** 05:49

Then you are exponentially in thrill town.

**Richard** 05:53

Yes.

**Greta** 05:53

You know, it is softcore food pleasure.

**Richard** 05:57

Yes, chickpea on chickpea.

**Greta** 05:59

To use chickpea on chickpea. And falafel and hummus is the best rendition of that surprise.

**Richard** 06:06

Yes, I love the versatility of the chickpea that you can make both the condiment and the filling of the same guy, you know.

**Greta** 06:15

Absolutely gorgeous. There aren't enough stars in the world. I happen to have a deluxe jar of chickpeas. And I'm looking forward to those and we're gonna save the water from those because that's gonna be a deluxe aquafaba.

**Richard** 06:29

Definitely, and we're gonna make some fine mocktails that froth and foam. We're off the booze, folks. So it's mocktail central around here.

**Greta** 06:37

Yeah, we're about seven weeks sober. I mean, it's a fucking disaster.

06:44

[Short Musical Intermission](Both singing)Yeah.

**Greta** 06:45

Would you review for me carrying a bicycle up onto the roof?

**Richard** 06:51

Yes. I don't know if you've ever played the game operation where you try to remove an organ from a little person, and there's a wire going around in the shape of a body and if you touch the wire, zap.

**Greta** 07:04

His nose lights up.

**Richard** 07:05

His nose lights up and it goes "zzzt" and, you know, it startles you?

**Greta** 07:08

Yeah, sure does.

**Richard** 07:10

The doors are narrow. The stairs are narrow. There's twists and turns to get that bicycle onto the roof. Are you going to hit the wall? Are you gonna hit the doorframe? Are you gonna hit yourself in the shin?

**Greta** 07:21

[Greta imitates the sound of Operation]

**Richard** 07:22

Yes, you know, it is a game of Operation big time. And if you make it all the way to the roof, which no one can, without hitting the sides, you are a big winner.

**Greta** 07:30

Can I make a better noise than the one I just made, because it was so unpleasant.

**Greta** 07:36

[Imitating Operation] Zzzt, zzt.

**Richard** 07:37

That was really good.

**Greta** 07:39

Zzzt.

**Richard** 07:39

That's nice.

**Greta** 07:40

Zzzt!

**Richard** 07:42

So good.

**Richard** 07:46

I'd like you to review for me, the wide legged jean, you know of late fashion has abruptly changed in the last year. Tight jeans out, wide legged pant in.

07:47

[Short Musical Intermission]

**Greta** 08:00

Yeah. So this is a very, very big change. Now, I have recently made the transition into the wider jean. And it's not the wideness of the jean that I object to you know, clowny as it may be. Where's my squirty flowers? Where's my stupid shoes? You know? Can you pass me a rainbow wig? No, it's not that that I dislike it's that the, the crotch from pubis to belly button is as long as kingdom come.

**Richard** 08:33

So you prefer a low-waisted wide leg?

**Greta** 08:35

Yeah, I'm addicted to the hipster. You know, I want some pubic hair showing you know if I can.

**Richard** 08:42

Yes, yes. It's good to have your the, the waist line look like... you know your neighbor's kind of peeking out over the fence and you can just see his, his curly hair.

**Greta** 08:54

Absolutely. Yeah, that's exactly- that's the look I'm after. You know, the nosy neighbour?

**Richard** 08:58

Yes.

08:59

[Short Musical Interlude](Both singing) Gorgeous

**Greta** 09:05

All right. Listener questions.

**Richard** 09:07

[Singing] Listener quens.

**Greta** 09:08

[Singing over] -stions

**Richard** 09:12

I didn't have a middle syllable. That was just listener quens. With just yawning in the middle. That's good. Let's try that one more time.

**Richard** 09:23

[Singing] Listener quens.

**Greta** 09:24

[Singing over] -stions

**Greta** 09:27

Trail Mix Yahoo, fabulous name, I hope it's real.

**Richard** 09:31

Yes.

**Greta** 09:32

Asks not "what would you do with a million dollars", but "what would you do with an extra 1000, just for you"?

**Richard** 09:41

An extra 1000 just for me. So I can't do any philanthropy with this fine 1000 buckaroos?

**Greta** 09:48

No. No, has to be for you.

**Richard** 09:50

Yes. What I do with an extra 1000 bones, you know, I might... you know it has to be for me, so I can't say oh, I'd get Greta a fine gift, say a paddleboard for the canal or something like that.

**Greta** 10:05

Oh well it doesn't say that you couldn't.

**Richard** 10:08

I guess I'd get you a paddle board then.

**Greta** 10:11

Thank you, Richard.

**Richard** 10:12

You're very welcome.

**Greta** 10:13

Always wanted one of those.

**Richard** 10:15

So have I actually got myself a paddle board?

10:21

[Musical Intermission]

**Kiri** 10:23

Hello, I'm stand up comedian Kiri Pritchard-McLean here to tell you that I'm on tour, with my brand new show Home Truths. I'm going all over the country, wherever will have me. I'm touring right through the spring, and then because some of you lovely lot have bought so many tickets, I'm now getting to tour for the whole of autumn as well. If you would like to get tickets, they're all available on my website. Or you can go to littlewander.co.uk and get tickets there. I can't wait to see you. And I don't want to brag, but I've got one hell of an outfit.

10:56

[Musical Intermission]

**Richard** 10:56

Greta.

**Greta** 10:58

Yes, Richard.

**Richard** 11:00

This question comes in from Sylvia. Do you ever consider a totally different career path? What would it be Greta? I'd love to know.

**Greta** 11:14

Well, I mean, if I had the dexterity to use a spinning wheel, I would love to spin a thing or two, you know, and give me that tower. You know, I'll do it into old age. You know, I want that hunchback and I want that single tooth and that wart and you know half shot eye, and I'm just gonna be rocking, rocking, you know, pump that pedal with my feet and spinning these silvery beautiful garments for you to wear, Richard.

**Richard** 11:45

Oh my, so in this scenario, you're a Rapunzel type figure, but you're a crone. It feels like a negative term, crone, but I'm trying to reclaim it here.

**Greta** 11:57

Yes, I am a haggard. Yes, but you are still youthful from wearing these fine garments that I spin you.

**Richard** 12:05

Oh, and what do I do in return? Seems I've got you prisoner.

**Greta** 12:10

Yes, you will go fancy pants into the meadows and have your adventures and you regale me with tales.

**Richard** 12:16

Right

**Greta** 12:16

You keep me alive with your stories. I keep you youthful with my spinning. You, in fact, are the prisoner. So reliant on these fine garments, are you.

**Richard** 12:26

(Hoarse) When Richard finds out "Oh, I'm the prisoner", ah, my throat folks.

**Greta** 12:30

Oh, Richard.

**Richard** 12:31

Oh, I've got a tickle in my throat and it's running wild. Hog wild. I don't know what to do with fokls. Holy bitch.

**Richard** 12:39

[Gargling sound]

**Greta** 12:40

How about a vocal fry, can you get- catch it?

**Richard** 12:43

[He makes a vocal fry sound]

**Richard** 12:44

No, it's not good for it, the vocal fry's the worst medicine for this predic-? Ah, whoa. Yes, "predic" is a tough abbreviation.

**Greta** 12:55

So yeah, so that's what I would be a spinster. I love something that goes between the legs. So it would either be a spinning wheel or harp. But something where I can be akimbo, something pulled close up between and let me just strum the Christ out of it.

13:11

[Musical Intermission] (Both singing) Definitely.

**Greta** 13:15

I heard a noise at the door Richard and they were really hoping it's my no mop that I've ordered. That has wheels on the bucket. Can you imagine?

**Richard** 13:26

Yes. You don't even need to get the mop out of the bucket with that.

**Greta** 13:30

No.

**Richard** 13:31

You can just wheel it around.

**Greta** 13:32

No mopping involved.

**Richard** 13:33

None.

**Greta** 13:34

Put it away.

**Richard** 13:35

Done.

**Greta** 13:36

You've had of your fun.

13:37

[Short musical intermission]

**Greta** 13:40

Richard?

**Richard** 13:40

Yes.

**Greta** 13:41

Are you ready for your surprise segment?

**Richard** 13:42

I am ready. Oh my.

**Greta** 13:44

Oh.

**Richard** 13:45

Look at this.

**Greta** 13:46

I have prepared five vessels.

**Richard** 13:50

Yes?

**Greta** 13:51

And we're gonna play Stick Your Finger In It, and Guess What It Is?

**Richard** 13:55

Oh my god.

**Greta** 13:56

I have a wet towel.

**Richard** 13:58

Yeah.

**Greta** 13:59

For in between.

**Richard** 14:00

Yes, this is pretty scary.

**Greta** 14:03

I would leave that middle one to last.

**Richard** 14:06

Okay, folks, what I'm looking at is a round artisan cutting board, and atop it is five terracotta yoghurt pots.

**Greta** 14:17

There is an incision upon each of these.

**Richard** 14:21

Okay, do I close my eyes because I might see it once I-

**Greta** 14:24

Well, don't look is the thing.

**Richard** 14:26

Oh, or do I guess while my finger's still in there?

**Greta** 14:28

You guess when your fingers in there.

**Richard** 14:30

Now, I'm feeling some sort of legume here. It's a small legume, I believe.

**Greta** 14:32

A small legume.

**Richard** 14:34

I'm going to call this a lentil bean. It could be a different kind of bean, you know, I don't know if it's.. because it's only one finger. You can't..

**Greta** 14:49

Yeah, you've only got the one finger.

**Richard** 14:51

You can't roll it between two.. fingies.

**Greta** 14:53

Now, is it dry? Is it smooth? Is it, um, rough?

**Richard** 14:57

It's dry and dusty. I don't know. I feel like a tractor, one of those tractor.. scoops.

**Greta** 15:03

Alright, move on to pot number two.

**Richard** 15:05

Oh God, I just saw it folks, and I was wrong.

**Greta** 15:08

It was corn,

**Richard** 15:10

It was corn.

**Greta** 15:11

It was corn.

**Richard** 15:12

To be so wrong, you know, to not notice my truest friend the corn and think it was lentils.

**Greta** 15:19

I must say I'm surprised. Okay, well, he's going on for the second finger and..

**Richard** 15:23

Uh oh, it's sort of warm and.

**Greta** 15:26

Is it piecey or is it a whole thing?

**Richard** 15:28

It's piecey and bitsy.

**Greta** 15:30

Oh, yeah.

**Richard** 15:30

Quinoa is smell that hits the nose. But I don't know how you would have fired up quinoa was so fast, you know?

**Greta** 15:35

Oh yeah. Well, should we reveal?

**Richard** 15:38

It's quinoa.

**Greta** 15:39

It's quinoa!

**Richard** 15:40

It was the first time fingering quinoa folks. And I'm going for pot number tres.

**Richard** 15:46

Oh God... I really don't like this one.

**Greta** 15:46

Yes.

**Greta** 15:51

Oh, you don't like it?

**Richard** 15:52

Dry.

**Greta** 15:52

Oh, it's dry?

**Richard** 15:54

Is it raisins?

**Greta** 15:55

Yeah, it's raisins. Well done, Richard.

**Richard** 15:58

I got one.

**Greta** 15:59

Richard, I'm so surprised that you know your raisins better than you know your corn.

**Richard** 16:04

You know, it's because corn's a hard surface. It could be any legume. And it's not a legume. It's a corn seed. Okay. Oh, I just touched the surface. I don't want to go deeper. Is it butter?

**Greta** 16:16

No, it's not butter. Oh, he looks really unhappy, you know.

**Richard** 16:20

Yeah, but I'm starting to get excited. And what is it? Is it Vaseline?

**Greta** 16:26

It's not Vaseline.

**Richard** 16:28

What is that?

**Greta** 16:28

Smell it.

**Richard** 16:30

Whoa. It's a Tiger Balm.

**Greta** 16:32

Yeah.

**Richard** 16:33

Oh, nice. I didn't know we had Tiger Balm.

**Greta** 16:35

Oh, actually, it's a sort of Vicks Vapor Rub.

**Richard** 16:39

Yes. Yes. That'll come in handy.

**Greta** 16:43

Yeah, I think that might be really nice for your allergies.

**Richard** 16:47

That's nice.

**Greta** 16:48

Yeah, very.

**Richard** 16:48

Oh, yeah. The last one. I forgot about number five.

**Greta** 16:51

Number five, the big one, yeah.

**Richard** 16:53

Is this one butter?

**Greta** 16:54

Nope, it's not butter.

**Richard** 16:57

I got a sticky surface.

**Greta** 16:58

Sticky, he says. What's the viscosity?

**Richard** 17:02

It's pretty thick. You know? I don't know what this is.

**Greta** 17:06

You don't know? You want to hazard a guess?

**Richard** 17:08

I'll smell it. Smells like a hair product?

**Greta** 17:13

Oh, yeah. Would you put that on your hair?

**Richard** 17:15

Why not?

**Greta** 17:16

Why not? Because, it is hair removal wax. It is hot hair removal bikini wax.

**Richard** 17:25

I see.

**Greta** 17:26

Unused.

**Richard** 17:27

Unused.. until now.

**Greta** 17:29

Yeah, and so you wouldn't want to put that on your hair. Unless you wanted to find shiny pate. And that brings us to the end. You got..

**Richard** 17:39

What was that game called? What Am I Fingering?

**Greta** 17:41

Yeah, What Am I Fingering. Okay, let's see your score out of five. You didn't get corn. You did get quinoa. You did get raisins. You didn't get the Vapor Rub. You got two out of five, Richard. Pretty good,

**Richard** 17:57

It was a hard challenge, folks.

**Greta** 17:58

Yeah, but just sorry, I'm so sorry. Could you just tell me which did you enjoy fingering the most?

**Richard** 18:05

Let's see. Vicks Vapor Rub.

**Greta** 18:09

Yeah.

**Richard** 18:10

Because it, it, it melted on..

**Greta** 18:14

On impact.

**Richard** 18:15

On impact. Can't wait to get lathered in that. You know, let's see if I can enlist Greta's fine fingers. For a little Vicks Vapor Rub on my shoulders. Now this isn't going to be a fiery hot forest fire down in the tundra. I'm just looking for a little muscle relief. You know?

**Greta** 18:32

Absolutely.

**Richard** 18:33

We'll see where it leads.

**Greta** 18:34

You're gonna get it,

**Richard** 18:36

Greta.

**Greta** 18:37

Richard.

**Richard** 18:37

Interestingly, this surprise segment involved fingers, as does mine.

**Greta** 18:45

Really?

**Richard** 18:46

My fingers.

**Greta** 18:47

We're so in tune.

**Richard** 18:48

Now whilst at the pharmacy yesterday, I saw some black nail polish that I purchased

**Greta** 18:54

Gorgeous.

**Richard** 18:55

And I thought I would like to paint my nails black. Maybe Greta would help me do that. And then we could talk about what it invokes.

**Greta** 19:05

Oh my god, like little gems of..

**Richard** 19:07

Obsidian.

**Greta** 19:08

That's the word I was looking for, god damn it, I couldn't get past Amyl nitrate,

**Richard** 19:13

What is amyl nitrate?

**Greta** 19:14

Oh, it's that, you know it's that party in a pot that you smell and you know you lose a ton of brain cells but you have a good time for about 10 seconds.

**Richard** 19:22

Oh my.

**Greta** 19:23

Poppers, otherwise known as.

**Richard** 19:25

Oh, now there, that I know what those are.

**Greta** 19:29

Tell me where the varnish is. Oh you got it on you.

**Richard** 19:33

It's a tiny bottle.

**Greta** 19:35

I would call that dark red, blood red.

**Richard** 19:39

Well, I got the wrong one, folks.

**Greta** 19:40

Alright. Shall I move those pots and we can put your hand on the chopping board for me to paint it.

**Richard** 19:45

That's a strong smell, folks, speaking of those poppers.

**Greta** 19:49

Now I haven't given you a full cuticle treatment, yet. I'm just going straight.

**Richard** 19:52

It's a nice experience to have your nails painted folks. Got my hand resting on a chopping board which adds a layer of the macabre.

**Greta** 20:03

What is occurring to me, how nice it is to paint a larger nail, you know, I'm used to painting these tiddy little bits that I got, but this has a width about it.

**Richard** 20:14

It's really enhancing the paleness of my hand.

**Greta** 20:18

I think this guy is cool. I think he knows how to party. I think he's lived. I also think he has a good heart. He has an androgyny about him. He's open minded. I don't think he really would fight you when it might look like it would. I'm transported to a bar in America somewhere where there's a band playing and it's kind of it's a little grungy.

**Richard** 20:40

It's regulars galore.

**Greta** 20:41

Yeah.

**Richard** 20:42

The people that work there also the customers.

**Greta** 20:44

Yeah.

**Richard** 20:45

Kind of a joint.

**Greta** 20:46

Yeah, that kind of place. It's like a comfortable dive.

**Richard** 20:49

Yes. Well, you know, I was thinking about some of the bands I used to listen to when I was a young Richard, you know, and most people won't know this but I've become a folk star of you know, wholesome love. But I grew up on the lakes of Bell House and the Sisters of Mercy and then..

**Greta** 21:10

Oh, you're well traveled you know.

**Richard** 21:12

Industrial punk, like Front 242, and Skinny Puppy. You know, these sorts of things. Ministry's earlier work. Christian death, you know, deep goth, so it's nice to revisit it and I think it goes well with my skull ring.

**Greta** 21:31

It does go well with your skull ring, you know, and those fingers are..

**Richard** 21:36

They're a little spooky aren't they?

**Greta** 21:38

I think they've got something you know, I want them on my body. Richard. I want them on my body right now. Bring them Vicks Vapor Rub.

**Richard** 21:48

Oh, wait, no, that's sticky.

**Richard & Greta** 21:50

[Singing] How to get the most, how to get the most, how to get them, how to get the most, out of your partner.