

## SOMEBODY SPEAK TO ME – UNKNOWN

*Scene:* A restaurant. There are three tables on stage. One at L, C and R. At the L table sits a young man. At the center table sits an elderly man and his wife and at the R table sits a woman. When the lights come up only a spot lights the young man at the L table. He speaks to the audience.

**Young Man** I've been looking forward to eating at this restaurant. Their policy is "Service with a Smile". Apparently, they give you the service at make you smile at the same time.

*Lights come up to full*

**Elderly Man** Waiter! Waiter!

*A sprightly waiter comes to the C table*

**Waiter** Yes sir?

**Elderly Man** Waiter, there's a fly in my soup.

**Waiter** Don't worry, sir. He won't drink much. *(Chuckles)*

**Elderly Man** But there's a fly in my soup.

**Waiter** *(Into his ear)* Not so loudly, sir. Everyone will want one.

**Elderly Man** But, what's this fly doing in my soup?

**Waiter** *(After a look)* Backstroke, I think.

**Elderly Man** *(Splashing the soup with a spoon)* But, look, I can't stand these dirty, filthy flies.

**Waiter** Oh? Then I'll get you some clean ones.

**Elderly Man** I'm not joking. This soup is foul.

**Waiter** No, vegetable, sir.

**Elderly Man** An I'll tell you something else: I don't like these flies in here.

**Waiter** Don't you sir? Tell me which ones you don't like and I'll have them evicted. *(Chuckles)*

**Woman** Waiter.

**Waiter** *(Walking over to her)* Yes ma'am?

**Woman** Waiter, do you have pig trotters?

**Waiter** No, ma'am, I'm always like this.

**Woman** Well, do you have corn on the cob?

**Waiter** No, only the big toe

**Young Man** Waiter.

**Waiter** *(Arriving)* Yes, sir?

**Young Man** Waiter, do you serve oysters?

**Waiter** Oh yes sir, we serve anyone.

**Young Man** Do you have fresh fish?

**Waiter** Only in the mating season, sir.

**Young Man** Well, are the eggs fresh?

**Waiter** I don't know sir, I only laid the table.

**Young Man** *(Annoyed)* Now, look, waiter. How about an egg and a sensible statement.

**Waiter** I'll give you the sensible statement first.

**Young Man** What's that?

**Waiter** Don't eat the egg.

**Woman** Waiter.

**Waiter** *(Arriving)* Yes, ma'am.

**Woman** Waiter, I notice that there's stew on the menu.

**Waiter** Oh so there is. I'll get you a clean one. *(He takes the menu)*

**Elderly Man** Waiter.

**Waiter** *(Arriving)* Yes sir?

**Elderly Man** *(Announcing his line carefully)* Waiter, do you serve snails here?

**Waiter**                    *(Puzzled)* Er... No, sir.

**Elderly Man**            That doesn't surprise me. You couldn't catch one! Ha ha! *(He breaks out into uncontrollable laughter. The waiter picks up his bowl of soup and pours it in the elderly man's lap).*

**Waiter**                    Now, sir, you have soup on your fly. *(Laughs hysterically as the elderly man jumps up)*

*Lights out*