

## EQUINOX: A Stroll Down Memory Bricklane

### TECH IN RED FRONT

*SFX -Nostalgia track plays.*

*One by one, enter space as character and move in a sleepy manner. In time, find position and create market object.*

*Nostalgia track fades. (tracks play for approx 1 min 40)*

*Soundscape setting up market. (SFX -Market sounds with playful piece plays)*

**Aurora:** I'd like your juiciest rabbit in stock

**Laura:** big, yah?

**Aurora:** yes

**Laura:** we have a special roasting offer today

**Aurora:** how much?

**Laura:** 2 shillings

**Aurora:** I'll take it

*Laura preps rabbit, she does one big chop and everyone reacts.*

**Aurora:** here you go, thank you! *Walks off and sits on block.*

**Laura:** hi Denis, here for your weekly racing pigeons again?

**Daisy:** Yes

**Laura:** We have a special offer today, you can get them roasted just for two shillings.

**Daisy:** Well I don't really fancy my pigeons roasted but Could I have a crocodile roasted instead please?

**Laura:** of course!

**Daisy:** here *hands her the money, Daisy sits on a block.*

**Arran:** Hello

**Mariño:** Hello

**Laura:** Hello, what can I get you?

**Arran:** Can we have a rabbit please?

**Laura:** Small, medium or large?

**Arran:** Small

**Laura:** We have a special offer today! You can get it roasted for just two shillings!

**Arran & Mariño:** no! We want to keep it as a pet.

**Laura:** fine, fine, it's ten shillings then.

**Mariño:** oh no! I forgot my wallet at home, do you have any money on you?

**Arran:** Yes I've got that much money

**Laura:** Have a nice day!

*Arran and Mariño head to the blocks and sit between Aurora and Daisy.*

**Aurora:** Oh, I see you like your rabbit raw... can I try some? (*Aurora reaches out for the rabbit*)

**Arran & Mariño:** NO!

**Arran:** it's not for eating! We want to keep him as a pet.

**Daisy:** My crocodile is really tasty.

**Aurora & Daisy:** you wanna try some?

**Arran:** NO!

**Aurora & Daisy:** more for us

**Laura:** How May I help you?

**Ehan:** I would like a ferocious meat-eating animal.

**Laura:** hmm.. let me think, aha! I have the perfect animal (*she drags a lion cub in*)

**Ehan:** a lion! That's exactly what I needed

**Laura:** we have a very special offer today! You can get it roasted for just two shillings!

**Ehan:** no thanks! This one's not for roasting!

**Laura:** that would be ten shillings please, have a nice day!

*Ehan takes the lion cub and sits on a block.*

*Bezawit approaches Maelyn's stall*

**Bezawit:** Hello! Is this stall open?

**Maelyn:** It is now! What can I get for you?

**Bezawit:** I need apples, tomatoes, bananas, pineapples, strawberries, cherries...

*Maelyn hands her food*

**Maelyn:** Phew! That'll be...

**Bezawit:** Wait! I'm not done... *Bezawit unrolls the rest of her list and they watch it uncurl.* Ok then, eggs, bacon, potatoes, baking potatoes, jacket potatoes, sweet potatoes, cold potatoes, hot potatoes...

**Maelyn:** Hot potatoes?! Cor blimey! You trying to feed an army?

**Bezawit:** Nah, just me family of 20. Going for a picnic down Southend!

**Maelyn:** Well hurry up and pay for this lot!

**Sofia:** Come on old lady!

**Bezawit:** Here you are

*Bezawit pays Maelyn, Maelyn spots Sofia*

**Maelyn:** Argh not you again Patsy Duggen!

**Sofia:** Alright Guv! Hehehehehe

**Maelyn:** Let me guess, 5 bottles of brandy again?

**Sofia:** Nah, I've changed.

**Maelyn:** Oh really?

**Sofia:** Yeah, I've found love!

**Maelyn:** And who's the lucky lady?

**Sofia:** Vera Lynn! Hehehehe

**Maelyn:** *Rolls her eyes* How many bottles of the gin then?

**Sofia:** Just the one, gotta pay me Duke of Kent this week!

*Sofia pays Maelyn. Isabella and Ava R go up to Zoe.*

**Zoe:** Hello! Welcome to the best toy stall in the world! How may I help you?

**Ava R:** What kind of toys do you sell?

**Zoe:** Dolls, action figures, slinkys.

**Ava R:** I've already got a slinky.

**Isabella:** I'm looking for a Teddy Bear.

**Ava R:** Me too actually!

**Zoe:** I'll check the back. *Zoe quickly checks and produces one Teddy Bear.*

**Ava R & Isabella:** That's a Teddy Bear!

**Zoe:** This is the only one left

**Ava R:** I'll give you 10 shillings for it!

**Isabella:** I'll give you 20 shillings!

**Ava R:** 40 shillings!

**Isabella:** 50 shillings!

**Ava R:** Right, I'll give you 100 shillings!

**Isabella:** 200 SHILLINGS!

**Zoe:** Sold! Here you go. *Zoe hands over the Bear and Isabella is very happy.*

**Ava R:** Fine, I'll take *another* slinky.

*Boy Scouts run through the Market*

**Zahid:** Cor blimey! Look at that lion!

**Zoe:** Oi! Where are you boys going?

**Douglas:** We're going to the Bombsites!

*All the boys shush Douglas and keep him quiet.*

**Suleyman:** We're going to the shops.

*All the boys nod in agreement. Boy's run off to downstage right.*

**Paddy:** Are you crazy! Why are you telling a random stranger that we are coming to the bombsite! Okay, what should we play?

**Suleyman:** Let's play football!

**Douglas:** We don't have a ball.

**Suleyman:** What about Chess?

**Paddy:** We don't have a board or Chess pieces.

**Zahid:** Let's play Pebbles and Bottles!

**Paddy:** I think you mean Stones and Bottles.

**Douglas:** What is 'Stones and Bottles?

**Paddy:** How do you not know Stones and Bottles?!

**Suleyman & Zahid:** He's new!

**Douglas:** Erm... how do we play?

**Paddy:** So you pick up a stone and then you pick up a bottle and then you throw them at each other.

**Suleyman:** No physical contact and no glass!

**All:** Agreed!

**Zahid:** Wait, we need to set up our Forts!

**Douglas:** let's use this sofa for defence

*The boys move blocks around to create their two forts.*

**Paddy:** 3, 2, 1, GO!

*The boys start playing stones and bottles at each other.*

**Douglas:** STOP! This game is crazy!

**Zahid:** Alright let's just get a Beigal.

**All:** Agreed!

*They push blocks back, bump into Mumbai beach group.*

**Ava R:** Hey! What have you been up to?

**Zahid:** We've been playing in those old bombed out houses on Whitechapel Road! It's fun!

**Ariana:** Fun? That doesn't sound like a fun place to play.

**Douglas:** Where do you like to play then?

**Ava A:** The beach.

**All:** The beach?

**Suleyman:** What, you mean down at Southend?

**Ava A:** No, the beach in Mumbai, where I used to live.

**DANCE EQUINOX (Anu's Mum) song**

*Mumbai beach group perform movement sequence. At end, start playing hopping game as exit stage left as Bombshelter group enter.*

*Bomb shelter group create Freeze- frame house*

**All:** *bored sigh*

*Move into sitting semi-circle*

**Liliana:** what shall we do? I'm really bored.

**Jessica:** me too.

**Jack:** me three

**Marianne:** yeah. What can we do?

**Maria:** it's sunny, we can go outside

*All walk outside in a circle*

**Liliana:** Where are we going?

**Jessica:** through the market

*Market interactions*

**Marianne:** we could go and check out the bomb site? Down at the dock?

**Maria:** I don't want to go there

**Jack:** it's too dangerous

**Jessica:** let's go to the park, there's always something to find

*Continue walking in circle*

**Marianne:** ooh, what's that? That looks cool!

**Maria:** errr, that looks a bit dangerous

**Liliana:** it looks like a sign of adventure!

**Jessica:** what is it?

**Liliana:** it's an old bombshelter

**Jack:** can we get in?

**Marianne:** I agree with jack, let's try to get in!

*Jessica and Maria open the bombshelter door.*

**Maria:** let's make a den

**All:** Look! Look! Look!

*All create den physically*

**All:** *contented sigh*

**Jessica:** I'm feeling hungry

**Liliana:** Let's see if we can get anything at the market before it closes!

**Bomshelter:** Yeah!

**Mumbai:** Yeah!

**Boyscouts:** Yeah!

*All move to centre stage and turn towards market. Market have made a human wall, holding Scarboard Kelliton posters.*

**Ava R:** Ohh, the market's closed!

**Zahid:** Hey! Look at that poster!

**Ava A:** oh yeah! Scarboard Kelliton are playing tonight!

**Dora:** Oh my Brother loves them!

**Marianne:** Come on, let's go to the gig!

*Band members go up on stage and set up instruments.*

*SFX - of a sound check.*

*Everyone else hands out flyers to audience.*

*'Hot Potatoe' track plays.*