

Baase 'sy Lught-thie

Chyndaays jeh skeeal scrut 'sy Vaarle ec John Pilling

Tra ghooisht mee y moghrey shen, yn chied smooinaghtyn aym, va shen nagh voddagh cooishyn tannaghtyn 'syn aght myr v'ad. Va'n doilieeid er ve snaue seose orrin rish shiaghteeyn as foast cha row briwnys erbee jeant, ny yei dy row shin dy kinjagh gorganey my-e-chione, agh ayns fardail. Myr shoh, ga dy row yn eie cur y drogh orrym, ve jeeaghyn dy row eh orryms goaill ayns laue yn obbyr shoh. As mish gearree red ennagh dy ve jeant, orrympene va'n currym.

Va mee my lkie er my ghreem as my laueyn cheu-chooylloo jeh'n chione aym. Va mee goll trooid y choloayrtys va ain choud's va shin goaill shibber y fastyr beg roish shen, tra haink mullagh er y chooish. 'Syn aght cadjin, she my heshey ren toshiagh y ghoaill er y chooish.

"Cha nel mee toiggal cre'n fa nagh vod shin lhiggey lhee. Cha nel assee goll er janno eck. S'cronnal eh dy vel ee booiagh cummal ayns shoh, as t'ee jeeaghyn dy ve maynrey.

"Ta mee shickyr dy vel, goaill aash feie'n laa as gee wheesh as t'ee laccal, gyn ping ry gheddyn ain."

"Cre elley v'ou jerkal rish? She uss va jeean dy yanno eh."

"Ta fys mie ayd dy row shen son traa giare. T'ee er ve ayns shoh roud nish, as marish shen ta feme ain er toolley reamys."

"Well, nagh vel aght dy reaghey red ennagh elley. Nagh vel boayl elley oddagh ee goll dy ve ny taaue?"

"Ta mee shickyr dy vel," as mish. "Agh veagh eh orrin tannaghtyn lesh eeck son shen neesht. Cha nod mayd fordrail yn lheid shen."

"Agh ta mee shickyr dy vel red ennagh elley fod mayd jannoos . . ."

"Cha nel."

"Well, kiart, eisht, cha nel mish laccal my laue ve 'sy chooish. Cha jeanyt veg, as shen eh."

"Well, gura mie mooar ayd. V'ou booiagh dy liooar tra va reddyn goll dy h-aashagh, agh cho leah's ta doilieeid 'sy chooish, t'ou niee dty laueyn dy ve neu-chyndagh rish."

"Cha noddym credjal dy vel eh foyd, shen y chooilleeney."

"Creid eh, te foym."

Haink jerrey er y choloayrtys ec y traa shen. Dirree my heshey seose, lesh eddin cho grouw as grouw, dy gholl gys y çhamyr vrash. Shen yn oyr va mee my lkie my lomarcan 'sy lhiabbee. Choud's va mee lkie ayns shen, ghow mee toshiagh er plannal.

Hoshiaght, veagh feme aym er red ennagh va cooie dy yannoo eh. Cha row veg agh skynn vooar 'sy thie va jeeaghyn dy ve fregyrtagh. Cha row agh raifyl aer aym, va mie dy liooar son roddan ny ghaa 'sy gharey, agh s'cronnal v'eh nagh row shen jeh monney ymmyd son red ennagh ny smoo na shen.

Eisht, veagh feme aym er jannooy kiune ee ayns aght ennagh. Ga dy row ee cho rouyr, v'ee lajer dy liooar, as cha beagh caa dou jannooy veg choud's v'ee abyl dy ghoaill tastey jeh dy chooilley red, as er-lheh dy row ee fakin skynn 'sy laue aym. As fy yerrey, va'n doilleeid jeh scughey y corp marroo. Veagh feme aym son shickyrys er cullee troggee ennagh.

Three laghyn ny s'anmey va dy chooilley red reaghit aym. Hie mee lesh shilley er yn 'er lhee cadjin, as mish dobberan mychione insomnia. Magh ass shen hooar mee tasht shiaghtin dy villeenyn cadlee. Va mee smooinaghtyn dy beagh shen dy liooar, broojit gys poodyr as currit stiagh 'sy vee eck, dy chur urree cadley rish foddey dy liooar. Y doilleeid lesh scughey y corp marroo, hooar mee troggeyder hydrollagh er lhiastynys veih carrey as va'n Voir echey cummal e lhiabee. Son shickyrys, cha dinsh mee da yn oyr va mee dy firrinagh laccal eh.

Son oyr quaagh ennagh, va mee gennaghtyn nagh by chiart eh, ymmyd y yannoo jeh skynn erbee ass y çamyr aarlee ain. Agh hooar mee shenn skynn arran 'sy cheirdlann, myr shoh va reyggryny dy ooryn ceaut aym er shleu ee derrey v'ee cho gyere as rhesar. Cha row mee gearree ve eignit dy yannoo beam elley. Veagh eh doillee dy liooar dou jannooy yn chied 'er. Cha dooyrt my heshey veg elley rhym er y chooish, agh fakin yn aght va mee jannooy aarloo cho kiarailagh, va coarse ennagh imraait — coarse cummalagh three laghyn, myr v'eh, er coagyrys.

Y laa er-giyn, ren mee mestey poodyr ny milleenyn cadlee stiagh lesh y chirbyl eck. Tra va mee shickyrs dy row dy chooilley red eeit eck, hoie mee sheese dy 'uirraghtyn 'sy çamyr aarlee. Yn traa smessey va shen, as va mee guee mollaght nagh row my heshey ayns shen dy chooney lhiam. Agh, lurg bine ny ghaa dy vrantee bee veih'n skeloo, fy yerrey haink paart dy ghaanys orrym. Hrog mee neese y skynn veih'n voayrd as hie mee dy eaishtagh ec y dorrys. Cha row veg ry chlashtyn, myr shoh dy tostaghs ren mee fosley y dorrys as ren mee blakey urree. V'ee ny lhiie ayns shen as ny cadley dy trome.

Ghow mee greim er y skynn dy çhionn, hie mee er baare my h-oardaagyn coshey dy ve çheuchooylloo j'ee. V'ee ny lhiie er e lhiattee, as yn eddin eck seiyt ergooyl beggan, dy voddins fakin ny cuishleeyn mooarey myr coyrdyn er çheu e mwannal. Ren mee leaystey, agh kiart er shen ren ee groaishal dy dowin 'sy scoarnagh eck. Va mee agglit ass dy jinnagh ee doostey, myr shoh chroymm mee er-oiae as hayrn mee foir y skynn harrish y scoarnagh eck, dy ghiarrey cho dowin as oddins. Slane aashagh v'eh, as ren yn 'uill roie magh çhelleeragh myr thooilley.

Lhig ee magh sogh ny ghaa, agh cha ren ee strepey, as çheusthie jeh shallid ny ghaa, va dy chooilley red jeant as harrish.

Va mee er-creau tra hass mee seose as hie mee kesmad ny ghaa ergooyl. Va mee foast my hassoo ayns shen, as my gheill taynit dy slane ec poyll ny foyley va skeaylley magh, tra ren cummey thollee y pholeen ynnydoil ain çheet rish 'sy dorrys. Rish shallid ny ghaa v'eh ny hassoo, jeeaghyn er y skynn coodit lesh fuill va foast 'sy laue aym, as er y chorps marroo çheu-chooylloo jeem.

"Vnr Forbes," as eshyn. Ren eh mongey dy lhean. "Dinsh dty heshey, Tom, dou foddee dy beagh oo marroo y vuc jiu. Va mee gindys row uss ayns feme jeh cooney erbee."